

Binghamton City School District

All About Pre-K

Did You Know?

The Binghamton City School District offers a Pre-Kindergarten Program For all 4 year old children

A child who will be 4 years of age on or before December 1 is eligible to apply for the 4-yr old program

(There are limited openings for 3 year olds)

Children need to live in the City of Binghamton and may need to meet income guidelines or other need indicators established by the New York State Education Department.

Where Are Classes Held?

Pre-Kindergarten programs are located at:

- ◆ Benjamin Franklin – Conklin Avenue
- ◆ Binghamton High – Oak St Entrance
- ◆ Calvin Coolidge – Robinson Street
- ◆ MacArthur – Vestal Avenue
- ◆ Theodore Roosevelt – Ogden Street
- ◆ West Middle – West Middle Avenue

TRANSPORTATION IS NOT PROVIDED

When Do Classes Meet?

Children attend Monday through Friday for either a morning or afternoon session. Limited full day sessions are available. Pre-Kindergarten classes follow the school district calendar.

Ben Franklin/MacArthur/West Middle: Half Day Class

A.M. Session: 7:50 a.m. – 10:25 a.m.

P.M. Session: 12:05 p.m. – 2:40 p.m.

Binghamton High: Half Day Class

A.M. Session: 8:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

P.M. Session: 11:50 a.m. – 2:20 p.m.

Franklin/Coolidge/Roosevelt

Full Day Classes: 7:50 a.m. – 2:40 p.m.

Who Pays for the Program?

The program is funded by the Binghamton City School District and the New York State Department of Education. There is no fee to the parents of the children attending Pre-Kindergarten.

What Will My Child Do?

Your child will participate in a variety of Literacy and Math activities and have experiences that will contribute to his/her development. Children learn to express their feelings, thoughts, and ideas as well as how to use a variety of materials and media. There are 18 children in each class under the supervision of a Teacher and a Teacher Aide. A nutritious breakfast or lunch is served each day.

What About Parents?

Parents are directly involved in the Pre-Kindergarten program. Visitation and parent participation in the classroom is welcome during school hours. In addition, a Parent Advisory Committee is established each year.

How Do You Get Further Information?

You can call the Pre-Kindergarten office at 762-8197 or 762-8133 for additional information.

How Can I Register My Child?

- Visit the District Registrar's office at 98 Oak St.
- Visit www.binghamtonschools.org and print out a pre-K registration packet then take it to 98 Oak St.

What Will I Need to Register My Child?

1. An interview with a Pre-Kindergarten teacher.
2. A Birth or Baptismal Certificate
3. Two proofs of residence
4. Parental ID
5. Immunizations Record: 4 Diphtheria/Tetanus, 3 OPV (polio), 1 MMR, 1 Varicella (chicken pox), 3 Hepatitis B, 1 to 4 Hib, 1 to 4 PCV; DSS licensed centers also require vaccinations. Call your health care provider or the Broome County Health Department 778 – 2839 for ?'s.

What About Wrap-Around Care?

Daycare is NOT available before or after Pre-K. However, the Binghamton City School District works in collaboration with local daycare agencies. Call the info.

>>>>> UPK PARTNER SITES <<<<<<

- *Wilson Headstart w Family Enrichment Network
- *Horace Mann Integrated w Family Enrichment Net
- *MacArthur Integrated/Handicapped Childrens' Assoc
- *Binghamton YMCA *Binghamton YWCA
- *Campus Pre School @ Binghamton University
- *The Discovery Center of the Southern Tier
- *Jewish Community Center *BCC
- *Kurios Kids Childcare & Play Center