

How can I encourage my families to enroll for kindergarten?

1. Be sure to send home the flyers that were provided for each month.

November

We're a "Ready-for-Kindergarten" Family

Time has a way of creeping up and even though your child may have just started Pre-K, before you know it, it will be time to begin thinking about Kindergarten! Below is a monthly checklist to guide you and your child as you begin the transition to Kindergarten!

November

- Learn about school choice and how to apply for District Application Programs (Insignets and Fundamentals)
- Attend a Discovery Night to learn more about specific District Application Programs

December

- Learn how to find your child's zoned school at pcsb.org/zone
- Find out when Ready, Set... Kindergarten! will be held at your child's zoned school. Visit pcsb.org/kg

January

- Attend Ready, Set... Kindergarten! Be sure to get a PCS User ID and password while you are there
- Know the procedures for making a reservation and enrolling your child in kindergarten
- Make a reservation for Kindergarten at pcsb.org/kg

February-May

- Take the required paperwork to the school to complete the enrollment process (Birth Certificate or other proof of identity; Proof of residency; Florida Certificate of Immunization; Physical examination obtained within the last 12 months)
- Download the Vroom app. Every day Vroom will deliver a simple and fun brain-building activity for you and your child right to your phone. Go to vroom.com for more information

May-August

- Help your child develop independence by learning how to work belts, zippers, and buttons on clothing
- Read books together about starting kindergarten

Two Weeks Before School Starts

- Talk with your child about what will happen during the school day and about making new friends in kindergarten

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December

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READY, SET... KINDERGARTEN!

Discover Pinellas County Schools award-winning programs: Art, Music, Gifted Services, STEM Academies and more!

Kindergarten registration begins January 14, 2019

Attend READY, SET... KINDERGARTEN! January 16 & 17 at a Pinellas County elementary school near you! Visit www.pcsb.org/kg for locations and times.

- Meet kindergarten teachers
- Visit classrooms
- Find out about before/after care
- Learn how to get involved
- Bring a photo ID for a new User ID and Password to start the enrollment process

January

Time to Get Ready for Kindergarten!

REGISTRATION BEGINS JAN. 14 FOR THE 2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR

STEP 1 - Find Your Zoned School
Use the School Zone Locator under the Schools menu on the home page of the district website, www.pcsb.org. To find your child's zoned school, or call Student Assignment, (727) 588-6210. All incoming kindergartners will be assigned to their zoned school.

STEP 2 - Reserve a Seat
Go to your zoned school or any nearby school to obtain a User ID and Password (if you don't already have one for another child in your family). You'll need a government issued photo ID to do so. To reserve a seat, log onto the Student Reservation System (SRS), which can be accessed by clicking the Registration menu on the home page of the district website. You may use any computer, including school computers, to reserve a seat.

STEP 3 - Complete Registration at Your Child's Zoned School
Visit your child's zoned school and deliver the required documents: Birth certificate or other proof of identity; proof of residency; Florida Certificate of Immunization and a physical examination certificate obtained within the last 12 months. Child's Social Security number is optional.

IMPORTANT NOTES

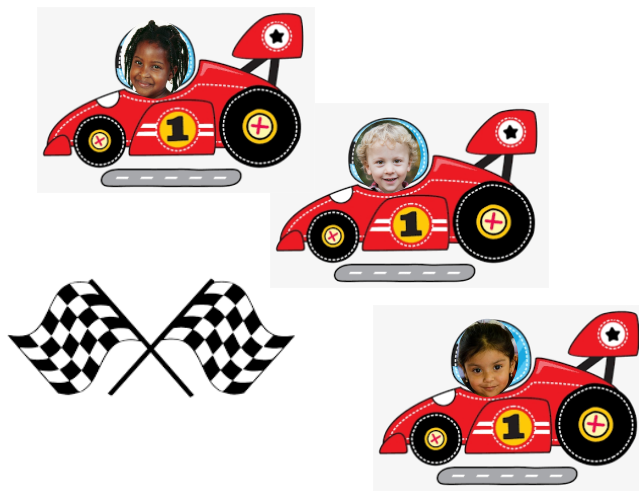
- Many elementary schools are closed during the summer months. Please register your child for kindergarten by May 29, 2019 before schools close.
- Special Assignment Request (SAR), April 1-15, 2019. This process is for parents who would like to request a school other than their child's zoned school for 2019-20. This is not a request or fundamental school. In order to participate, incoming kindergartners must complete the registration process and be enrolled at the zoned school, not just reserve a seat. All Special Assignment Requests will be granted on a space-available basis.
- Students must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2019, to attend kindergarten.
- Current VPK students may or may not attend kindergarten at their current school site. It depends if the current site is their zoned school. VPK students must register for kindergarten.
- The Florida Department of Health in Pinellas County offers free immunizations for children.
- For a listing of locations with free school physicals for uninsured residents, visit www.pcsb.org/kg

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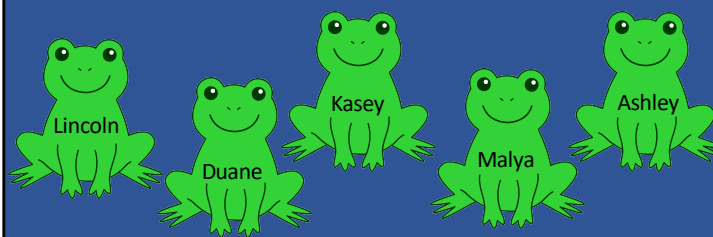
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2. Talk about Kindergarten enrollment with families during meetings and conferences.
3. Create a little friendly competition between classes in your center. Have a participation celebration.
4. Encourage families to register for kindergarten and bring in their child's certificate. Send reminders through your newsletter, social media, and communication apps.
5. Create a display to help get families and children excited about getting enrolled for kindergarten. Add children's names as they show you their enrollment certificate for kindergarten.

Racing Off to Kindergarten!



HOPPIN' OFF TO KINDERGARTEN!



Other Ideas...

- Stars - Look Who's Ready to Shine in Kindergarten!
- Train cars - All Aboard the Kindergarten Express
- Owls - Whooo's Flying Off to Kindergarten?
- Balloons - We're Floating Off to Kindergarten
- Pete the Cat - We're Rockin' in Our Kindergarten Shoes