

## Frequently Asked Questions about Preschool at EECV

Welcome to the Elyria Early Childhood Village!

If you are interested in registering your child for our preschool program this Frequently Asked Questions document has information on how to register as well as some of the requirements for our program. Additional information will be provided through our school handbook as well as communication from our school office. Please know that we seek to partner with you as you raise and educate your child. No one knows your child better than you do, so we will be seeking your help in the issues of student progress and behavior management. Working as a team at this primary level, the school and home can accomplish great things in the development of your child.

Feel free to call us at school (440-284-8250) if you have any questions. Thank you for sharing your child with us.

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Principal

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EECV Main Office: 440-284-8250

Main Office Email: [earlychildhoodvillageoffice@elyriaschools.org](mailto:earlychildhoodvillageoffice@elyriaschools.org)

Central Registration: 440-284-8220

EECV Hours:

Office Hours - 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM during the school year

Office hours vary during the summer months

Preschool Morning Classes - 9:10-11:40 AM

Preschool Afternoon Classes - 12:40-3:10 PM



## **I want my child to attend EECV for Preschool. How do I make this happen?**

- After March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, to apply go to <http://www.elyriaschools.org>, there you will find a link to register. Note that additional steps will be needed after applying on the website based on your program choice.
- You will need to have your child's immunization record, birth certificate, 2 proofs of residency, parent/guardian ID, and any custody documentation needed for enrollment.
- Spots are filled on a first come, first served basis. No spots will be reserved without a full application.

## **What does the program look like?**

- Integrated Preschool Classrooms (3-5 year olds):  
AM session: 9:10 – 11:40, Monday through Thursday  
PM session: 12:40 – 3:10, Monday through Thursday
- General Education Preschool Classrooms: (3-5 year olds)  
AM session: 9:10 – 11:40, Monday through Friday  
PM session: 12:40 – 3:10, Monday through Friday

LOCATION: Elyria Early Childhood Village. 42331 Griswold Rd.

## **What is the difference between an integrated and general education classroom?**

Integrated Preschool Classroom: The integrated program is half-day and meets 4 days per week. These classrooms are a mix of preschool students with disabilities and typically developing peer models. A peer model is a child without a disability who displays typical development and behavior in the classroom setting. Peer models are friends and models to students with identified disabilities in the same classroom. All students in the program participate in a variety of developmentally appropriate preschool activities. Peer models benefit from being a part of our integrated program by developing meaningful peer relationships, developing leadership and confidence in individual abilities, receiving high quality instruction and curriculum, and developing empathy and acceptance for all children. The program individualizes learning and is appropriate for children of varying backgrounds, tailored to the current developmental level of each child. Please see additional details regarding tuition in a later section. An integrated preschool classroom caps at 12 or 16 students and is a mix of students with disabilities and typical peers (8 students with disabilities: 4-8 typically developing peer models). There is one teacher (an intervention specialist) and one educational aide assigned to these classrooms.

General Education Classroom: The general education program is half-day and meets 5 days per week. The program individualizes learning and is appropriate for children of varying backgrounds, tailored to the current developmental level of each child. Our general education program is a part of the Ohio Department of Education's Early Learning Education Grant. Students may qualify for the grant to cover the tuition cost of this program if they meet qualifications. Please see additional details regarding tuition in a later section. A general education classroom caps at 18 students. There is one general education teacher and one educational aide assigned to these classrooms.

Bus transportation can be provided to and from school for Elyria City School District residents within Elyria City School District boundaries for students in either program. A transportation request form needs to be completed.

### **What are the participation requirements?**

- Children must be **three** years of age on or before September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
- Children must be **fully toilet trained and independent in the restroom**. If they are not, they may be asked to withdraw from the program.
- Compliance with preschool regulations, which requires regular attendance at school and parent conferences. Compliance with Communicable Disease Policy, including all requirements for immunizations and physical examinations prior to school entrance
- If you suspect that your child has a delay that may require special education services, please contact the office at 440-284-8250 prior to enrolling your child as a typical student.
- Because we are a licensed preschool program, a Child's Medical Statement (signed and dated by a physician) must be completed and given to the school within the first 30 days of your child attending school.

### **Tuition for the 2024-2025 school year:**

#### Integrated 4-day classrooms:

Tuition for the full school year is \$675. This amount will be split over the course of the school year in 9 installments of \$75 per month (September-May). A one time, non-refundable \$25 registration fee is to be collected at the time of enrollment (check or money order only). Tuition will be collected on a monthly basis by the secretary of the building and is due the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month. Tuition may be paid by check or money order made out to Elyria City Schools or may be paid online on the district website. If any concerns arise regarding ability to make payments, please contact the secretary immediately. Late payment with failure to contact will result in dismissal from the program.

\*\*Please note that tuition will NOT be prorated due to lack of attendance (vacation, illness, etc.).

#### General Education 5-day classrooms:

Standard tuition for the full school year is \$900 for Elyria City School District residents who do not qualify for the grant (\$1,800 for non-Elyria City School District residents). This amount will be split over the course of the school year in 9 installments of \$100 per month (September-May) or \$200 per month for non-residents. A one time, non-refundable \$25 registration fee is to be collected at the time of enrollment (check or money order only). Tuition will be collected on a monthly basis by the secretary of the building and is due the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month. Tuition may be paid by check or money order made out to Elyria City Schools or may be paid online on the district website. If any concerns arise regarding ability to make payments, please contact the secretary immediately. Late payment with failure to contact will result in dismissal from our program.

Parents/Guardians can complete a screening form to see if their child **may qualify for FREE** tuition by qualifying for the ECE Grant. To qualify for the grant, students must be 3 years old by September 30<sup>th</sup> 2024, not yet Kindergarten eligible, and the family must meet certain household income guidelines. More information about how a student may qualify is available by calling 440-284-8250.

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