



North Brunswick Township Preschool FAQ's 2021-2022



All Preschool Programs are **full day programs**. In- District programs will operate on a 8:30 am -3:10 pm schedule. Acelero and Lightbridge will operate on a 8:30 am to 3:10 pm schedule. This is subject to change.

In- District Preschool Programs:

The North Brunswick Township Early Childhood Center or “NBTECC” will be located in the newly renovated Linwood Middle School, in its own part of the building and run as a separate school.

- 25 Linwood Place North Brunswick, NJ 08902

7 Additional Integrated Preschool Classes were added to continue North Brunswick's preschool expansion and to meet an increased number of the preschool universe

- Judd
- Livingston Park
- John Adams
- Parsons

Private Preschool Provider Centers:

- **Lightbridge Academy**
 - Rt. 27 - North Brunswick
 - **1 additional class was added** (5 classrooms/75 pre-k students)
- **Acelero Learning**
 - Rt. 1 Commerce Center - North Brunswick
 - (4 classrooms/60 pre-k students eligible for Head Start)

These contracted outside private preschool provider centers operate under the Preschool Expansion (PEA) Grant/State Aid from the State of NJ to provide additional free preschool seats for resident, eligible students, since the Board does not have enough space to meet the numbers of 4 year old preschool students in the District. We do NOT rent space from these private preschool providers. Rather, the private preschool providers receive money from the PEA expansion grant to place District students in their programs. Each one operates under its own policies and state regulations as state licensed child care operators. ***In other words, there MAY be differences in how each preschool operates. Please consider this carefully should you be offered a spot.***

The majority of our students are 4 year olds in the preschool program, however, due to CHILD FIND laws, we must enroll students identified through this process as needing early intervention on their 3rd birthday. The one Head Start location MAY also enroll 3 year olds eligible for Head Start.



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Through our partnership, however, they must:

- Utilize the same curriculum that the district uses: ***Creative Curriculum***
- Hire state certified P-3 teachers
- Accept students through the district-wide lottery/placement system
- Partner with the district on teacher professional learning, including the support of the Preschool Master Teacher/Coach (District & Lightbridge programs)
- Follow the district calendar for openings and closings and early closing days
- Accept children with Individualized Education Plans within their program and allow support from the district for those students
- Allow district staff to visit and provide feedback on their programs

NBT Schools provide transportation to families who live outside of two miles of their preschool location.

Lottery 2021-2022

The lottery process is a fair way to select students based on identifying names from submitted applications via google forms. The application responses are time stamped and then filtered based upon the criteria listed below. All applications are flagged for the category/type of applicants as per priorities established by the NJDOE and North Brunswick District Guidelines. Following review of the criteria, applications are drawn randomly.

The NJDOE target enrollment caps and district target enrollment limit student selection. Some students may meet more than one enrollment preference criteria and a district may have more preference students than available seats. Therefore, the district has determined enrollment preference category priorities in accordance with the criteria outlined below. No preference is given to students who applied but were not accepted in a previous year.

- ❖ NJDOE and district enrollment caps
- ❖ Facility Limitations
- ❖ State mandates
- ❖ Priority to 4 year olds in order to target students before entering Kindergarten (with possible limited spots for 3 year olds)
- ❖ Head Start eligibility and students at risk (includes 3 year olds)
- ❖ Need for Before/After Care
- ❖ Home School (taken into high consideration, however due to other priorities, your child may not be placed in home school)
- ❖ Transportation needs
- ❖ Applicants who have siblings currently attending
- ❖ Child Find
- ❖ District-wide student and program needs



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Wait List

If more students apply than there are seats available, those students will be added to the North Brunswick Preschool Program Wait List. A wait list of names is kept until the next year's lottery draw.

For more information, please call:

732-317-6302

Mon.- Fri. - 10am-3pm