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Amy McDonald Principal

Welcome to the Medway Integrated Preschool located at the McGovern Elementary School!

Our preschool supports and educates three and four year old students who have been identified with a disability, along with a limited number of "community peers." McGovern's Preschool has low student-to-teacher ratios, highly qualified teachers, knowledgeable paraprofessionals, and experienced related service providers working with children daily.

Close cooperation between home and school is essential to promote success for our students. Parents are welcome to visit the school, volunteer in the classroom, and attend parent teacher conferences.

Our success depends greatly on parents and teachers working together to support children. This handbook is intended to provide guidance for the upcoming year. Please familiarize yourself with its content and work with us to provide the best possible educational experience for your child/children.

In this packet, you will find the following documents needed to register your child for the Integrated Preschool Lottery:

- Link to online Preschool Lottery Form
- Paper Preschool Lottery Form

Once a student has been accepted to the Integrated Preschool, registration needs to be completed online. To help with your planning, the following electronic documents are required



for online registration:

- Proof of Residency
 - ➤ Utility bill
 - > Signed purchase and sale (occupancy must take place within sixty days)
 - ➤ Current tax bill
- Birth Certificate (Children must be 3 by August 31, 2022 to enter the lottery)
- Copy of most recent physical exam- should be within the last year
- ❖ An immunization record from the physician
- A copy of current 504/Individual Education Plan (IEP), if applicable
- Legal court documentation of guardianship, if applicable. If divorced or separated, you will need to show legal or official court documentation indicating you are the custodial parent and have physical custody of your child.
- Free and reduced price school meals application, if applicable

Please note, all of the above must be submitted to complete the registration process: No child will be able to register without the above documentation.

The preschool lottery, for community peers, will take place on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 from 10:00 AM-11:00 AM. In order to be considered for the lottery you need to complete either the online or paper Lottery Form and both are due by 12:00 PM on Friday, February 4, 2022. Please click here for an online Preschool Lottery Form. If completing the paper version, please see page 6 of this document. We will notify families of lottery results by Thursday, February 10, 2022. Finally, registration for students attending the Integrated Preschool must be completed online by April 14, 2022.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school at 508-533-3243 or via email amcdonald@medwayschools.org. We look forward to educating your child in the Integrated Preschool.

Sincerely,

Amy McDonald, Principal **Sue Frederick**, Assistant Director of Student Services



Medway Public Schools' Mission Statement:

The Medway Public School district, in partnership with the community, creates an academically challenging, safe and supportive learning environment that promotes the pursuit of excellence for all.

Medway Public Schools' Vision Statement:

The Medway Public School District aspires to provide all students with a robust, equitable academic program that engages, challenges, and supports all students to apply knowledge, develop talents and skills, think independently, work collaboratively, and become informed, responsible, and productive citizens of a global community.

Integrated Preschool Mission Statement:

In partnership with students' families, we strive to create an inclusive environment where all children may realize their full potential. Our program enables each student to maximize his or her own personal strengths across all developmental domains: social emotional, communication, physical, and academic.

Program Highlights and Curriculum:

The Integrated Preschool Program is designed to meet the unique needs of all students, including students with an identified disability. A copy of our Integrated Preschool brochure can be found here. Our curriculum provides robust learning opportunities for students that follows the Massachusetts Guidelines for Preschool Learning Experiences. We are committed to:

- Providing a language-based inclusive setting where children can learn, play, create, socialize, and grow while promoting each child's unique personality, developmental readiness, learning style, and self-esteem
- Facilitating evidence-based social-emotional skills throughout all preschool learning experiences
- Collaborating as a transdisciplinary team with school-based professionals to promote success for all learners
- Providing a solid foundation of early learning skills to facilitate a smooth transition to Kindergarten
- Working together with families and provide daily and ongoing communication as well as opportunities to take part in classroom activities



Entrance Requirements for Community Peers:

Children must be 3 years old by August 31st in order to qualify for the half day preschool program. Children must be 4 years old by August 31st in order to qualify for the full day preschool program. Your child must be registered in order to attend the Preschool and you will also need to provide documentation of residency and immunization.

Entrance Requirements for Students with Disabilities:

Placement of students with disabilities is determined at Individual Team meetings. Attendance in the half or full day program is determined by service delivery needs.

Program Schedule:

Classes are comprised of a teacher and two paraprofessionals. The Integrated Preschool offers a few schedule options:

Five day morning sessions - 8:35-11:30 AM Five day afternoon sessions - 12:05-3:00 PM Full day program (5 days)- 8:35-3:00 PM

Important Dates:

Starting in September, the <u>first Friday</u> of each month there are no preschool classes, allowing for assessments and consultation. The assessments dates for the 2022-2023 school year are:

September 9, 2022

October 7, 2022

November 4, 2022

December 2, 2022

January 6, 2023

February 3, 2023

March 3, 2023

April 14, 2023

May 5, 2023

June 2, 2023



Tuition:

Full Day: (Must be 4 years old by August, 31, 2022)

The annual tuition for full day is **\$7,650.00** and an initial non-refundable deposit of \$400.00 is due by May 13, 2022. The remaining balance will be spread over eight months and a monthly payment of \$906.25 is due by the 15 of each month, prior to the month of attendance. The first installment is due on August 5, 2022.

Half Day: (Must by 3 years old by August 31, 2022)

The annual tuition for half day is \$3,825.00 and an initial non-refundable deposit of \$400.00 is due by May 14, 2022. The remaining balance will be spread over eight months and a monthly payment of \$428.13 is due by the 15 of each month, prior to the month of attendance. The first installment is due on August 5, 2022.

Preschool Lottery and Registration:

We will hold a preschool lottery for eligible students on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 from 10:00-11:00 AM. We will inform families of the preschool lottery results by February 10, 2022 via email. Once families have been informed that your child/children have been accepted to the Integrated Preschool, please register your child online before April 14, 2022. Students currently enrolled in the program will matriculate into the next year. Students who are not selected to join the preschool will be added to a wait list.

All other information pertinent to the Medway Public Schools and McGovern Elementary School can be found in our <u>Elementary Handbook</u>.



Paper Preschool Lottery Form

Please fill out the paper Preschool Lottery Form to enroll your child in our Preschool Lottery for the 2022-2023. Applications must be received by noon on February 4, 2022 at the McGovern School.

Date:	
Child's Name:	
Child's Date of Birth (month/day/year):	
Parent's Name:	
Address:	
Home Telephone:	
Work Telephone:	
Cell Phone:	
Email Address:	
Please circle your responses: My child is currently enrolled in the Integrated Preschool? Yes No	
My child is a student with a disability and already enrolled in the Integrate Yes No	d Preschool
Program Preference (please select one)Morning Session (8:35-11:30 AM)Afternoon Session (12:05-3:00 PM)	