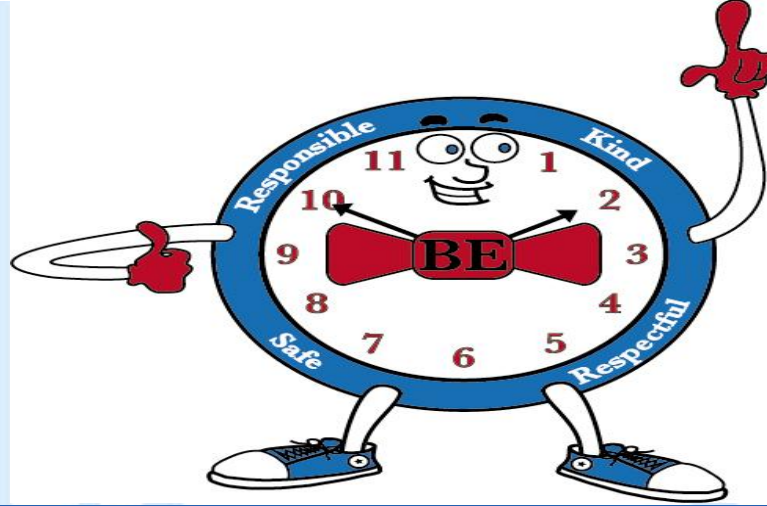


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# **Welcome to Kindergarten!**

January 25, 2024

Pete Regan, Principal

Presented by:  
Erica Linares, Assistant Principal

Katie Bent Special Education Coordinator

## Tonight's goals:

- Ease your anxiety about kindergarten
- Learn about the registration process
- What is kindergarten screening?
- Kindergarten readiness skills
- Answer frequently asked questions



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## Welcome to Ashland Public Schools

Welcome to the Ashland Public Schools, where each student within our world-class learning community has the opportunity to fulfill their potential and pursue their aspirations.

Located in the MetroWest area of Massachusetts, we are proud to provide quality education for close to 3,000 students in five schools.

# Age Requirements and Eligibility

For the 2024-2025 school year, children must be five years old by August 31, 2024 to be eligible for Kindergarten, and six years old by August 31, 2024 for first grade. **No exceptions to these age requirements can be made.**

## Central Registration

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# Welcome to Kindergarten

In Ashland, highly skilled staff ensure that children's first school experiences are positive, nurturing and engaging. Through creative play and peer interaction, children learn vital social and academic skills that will provide the foundation for future success.

## Registration Timeline

Kindergarten registration for the fall kicks off in January. Here are some reasons you should enroll your child as early as possible:

- Help the District plan class sizes for the upcoming school year.
- Coordinate any services your child may need in advance.
- Avoid the last-minute summer rush.













Kindergarten registration for the 2024–2025 school year will officially start on Saturday, January 27 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Henry Warren Elementary School. If you cannot attend the registration event, individual, 45-minute in-person appointments will be available from February 5 through May 3. To reserve your appointment, please [register here](#).

Event	Date	Time	Location
Kindergarten Information Night	January 25, 2024	6:30 p.m.	Warren School 73 Fruit St. Ashland, MA 01721
Kindergarten Registration	January 27, 2024	9 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Warren School 73 Fruit St. Ashland, MA 01721
<a href="#">Individual Kindergarten Registration Appointments</a>	February 5 – May 3, 2024	<a href="#">8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.</a> <a href="#">1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.</a>	Central Office 87 W. Union St. Ashland, MA 01721
			Warren School

## Required Forms

If you meet our residency requirements, can [provide a Residency Affidavit](#) or meet the [McKinney-Vento eligibility guidelines](#), you may begin the new student registration process.

Download and complete the following forms and email them to Central Registrar Lila Boutaghou at [registration@ashland.k12.ma.us](mailto:registration@ashland.k12.ma.us). Please **do not** scan or send copies of your birth certificate or any other confidential documents via email.

-  **Student Registration Packet - English** 
- All new students must complete this registration packet.
-  **Early Childhood Experience Survey - English** 
- This survey is required by the state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education for all Kindergarten students. Please complete it, and submit it along with your student registration packet.
-  **Paquete de inscripción de estudiantes - Español** 
- This is the Spanish version of the student registration packet, which must be completed for all new students and submitted to the Student Registrar.
-  **Encuesta sobre la experiencia infantil - Español** 
- This is the Spanish version of the Early Childhood Experience Survey, required by the state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education for all Kindergarten students. Please complete it, and submit it along with your student registration packet.
-  **Pacote de Registro de Estudante - Portugues** 
- This is the Portuguese version of the student registration packet, which must be completed for all new students and submitted to the Student Registrar.
-  **Pesquisa de Experiencia na Primeira Infancia - Portugues** 
- This is the Portuguese version of the Early Childhood Experience Survey, required by the state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education for all Kindergarten students. Please complete it, and submit it along with your student registration packet.

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If your child is **not** going to attend the Ashland Public Schools, please call the Central Registration Department at (508) 532-4005. This will enable us to obtain the most accurate enrollment projections possible.

## Screenings

In addition to completing your child's registration, you will sign up for kindergarten screening. Kindergarten screenings will take place during May. Students that speak languages other than English may also need an English screening at that time.

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## NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION Caregiver Checklist

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### REQUIRED FORMS

All required forms must be completed and signed:

- ☐ 1. Student and Family Information Form
- ☐ 2. Health Emergency Form
- ☐ 3. Health History Form
- ☐ 4. Home Language Survey
- ☐ 5. Student Records Release Form

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

These documents must be submitted at the time of your registration appointment. The Student Registration Center will make copies and return all original documents. More information is available at [ashland.k12.ma.us/register](http://ashland.k12.ma.us/register).

- ☐ Valid proof of residency
- ☐ Valid proof of occupancy
- ☐ Original birth certificate with a raised seal
- ☐ Valid photo proof of parent/guardian identity
- ☐ Most up-to-date student immunization record
  - ☐ Students with no immunization documentation may not attend class.
  - ☐ Kindergarten students with no immunization documentation may attend the orientation meeting but cannot begin school until data is submitted.
  - ☐ Students with incomplete immunization documentation have until October 1 or within 30 days of starting school to complete immunizations or they will be excluded from school.
- ☐ Copy of physical exam completed within 12 months prior to the first day of school or doctor's appointment for a physical exam
  - ☐ Documentation must be submitted to the school nurse by October 1 or within 30 days of starting school or the student will be excluded from school.

### ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION AND FORMS

The following documents and forms are not mandatory but may be applicable to your specific student.

- ☐ Lead screening for Pre-K students
- ☐ Lead screening and vision screening for Kindergarten students
- ☐ Guardianship papers or Notarized Caregiver Authorization Affidavit
- ☐ Residency Affidavit
- ☐ Copy of Student's Individualized Education Program (IEP)
- ☐ Copy of Student's 504 Plan
- ☐ English Learner Records
- ☐ WIDA ACCESS Scores
- ☐ Transcripts
- ☐ Bus Transportation Form
- ☐ Free and Reduced Lunch Application Form

### REGISTRATION PROCESS

When each registration packet has been completed, email it to Central Registrar Lila Boutaghou at [registration@ashland.k12.ma.us](mailto:registration@ashland.k12.ma.us).

You will be contacted to schedule an appointment to meet with the Central Registrar once your registration packet has been received. All required documents must be presented at the time of the registration appointment.

There are 8  
more pages for  
you to  
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# Registration:

**at Warren School, 73 Fruit Street:**

Saturday, January 27, 2024,

from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m

**after this date, by appointment Registrar's  
Office in the Ashland Middle School,  
87 West Union Street**



February 5 – May 3, 2024

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m

1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

[Link to Registration Appointment](#)

## Required Registration Documents

Proof of Residency	Proof of Occupancy	Proof of Identification
<p>One of the following required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recent mortgage payment</li><li>• Property tax bill</li><li>• Fully signed and executed lease and/or rental agreement in the names of the children listed on the document</li><li>• HUD lease or another public housing lease (Section 8)</li><li>• HUD settlement statement</li><li>• Notarized Residency Affidavit  </li></ul>	<p>One of the following required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cable/satellite TV bill</li><li>• Electric bill</li><li>• Gas bill</li><li>• Water bill</li><li>• Home/renter's insurance</li><li>• Excise tax bill</li><li>• Home phone bill (not cell)</li></ul> <p><i>* All bills must be dated within the past 45 days with the name and address clearly stated.</i></p>	<p>One valid photo identification from the following list is required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Driver's License</li><li>• State ID card</li><li>• Passport</li><li>• Military ID</li><li>• Other government-issued photo ID</li></ul>

- Student's original birth certificate (with a raised seal)
- Child's current physical and immunization record
  - Must be signed by a physician
  - Must be up-to-date information, even if it will expire before September. You will be asked to update our copy of the medical information after your child's next physical.

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# Kindergarten Screening



## SPEED DIAL-4

\*Developmental Indicators for the Assessment of Learning

4<sup>th</sup> edition

\*Language Screening if needed

# Why do we screen all incoming kindergarten students?

- Your child visits their new school
- Valuable information for teachers
- School staff meet the children
- Supports selecting class groups
- State Mandated

When and where does screening take place?

Incoming Kindergarten Screening will take place in the Warren School on:

**Wednesday, May 22, and Thursday, May 23**

You will schedule your time during your registration.



## A Kindergarten Teacher's Hopes

Our kindergarten team hopes children will be able to complete the following when they enter Kindergarten...

(not all will and we still teach these skills)

# Readiness skills:

Follow 2-3 step directions

Be able to pack and unpack (lunchboxes, backpacks)

Be able to open and close containers (water bottles, snack containers, thermoses)

Dress themselves including buttoning and zipping

Be able to bathroom by themselves including wiping and washing hands

# Readiness skills:

Practice with scissors/cutting

Have experience playing board games

(including taking turns, being able to win or lose-good sportsmanship, counting 1:1)

Practice with turn taking

Practice with listening

Be able to share with peers

# Readiness skills:

Have experiences with and be able to sit and listen to stories

Recognize letters

Recognize numbers and be able to count up to at least 10

Be able to use manners: please, thank you, excuse me

Practice being patient!

# Frequently Asked Questions:

How can I provide information regarding placement?

What does a typical day look like at Warren?

Can I volunteer?

Should my 5 year old take the bus?

How does arrival/dismissal work?

Can my twins be in the same class?

Curriculum Night is an opportunity to learn about the curriculum taught, and see the classroom

# Extended Day Options:

EDP- Before and After School Programming

Tayler Bodio - Director

CHAMPIONS

MetroWest YMCA

Many other local child care services

Local Child Care Providers

Busing or transportation is provided to each program in the town of Ashland



# Ashland Extended Day Program (EDP)

**Director: Tayler Bodio**

**(508) 532-8060**

**tbodio@ashland.k12.ma.us**

**Our goal is to offer unique enrichment opportunities to students in kindergarten through grade 6. We aim to give students the opportunity to explore activities they may not be able to at home or during their school day.**

## **Morning Programs**

Warren EDP - Grades K-2

Mindess EDP - Grades 3 - 6

## **Afterschool Programs**

Pittaway EDP - Kindergarten

Warren EDP - Grades 1 & 2

Mindess EDP - Grades 3 - 6

## Some of our yearly enrichment programs include:



- Daily snack including a healthy and a packaged option
- Daily outdoor recess, weather permitting
- Daily free choice in the classroom and structured gym and project time

For more information, please visit our website. This can be found on the APS site under the parents tab.

# Join an online community!

Our PTO has already started an online group for you!

A group has been started on Facebook. You can search for class of 2037- ashland ma

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/895628055270168/>

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