

Windsor Southwest Preschool Collaborative Application Guidelines for School Year 2010-2011

The Windsor Southwest Preschool Collaborative is now accepting applications for their publicly funded preschool program.

What is publicly funded prekindergarten education?

Publicly funded prekindergarten education is defined as:

Ten hours per week of developmentally appropriate early development and learning experiences that are based on Vermont's Early Learning Standards. Children who reside in the towns served by the WSWSU and are between the ages of three-five are eligible. Pre-kindergarten education is limited to the academic year (September 2010-June 2011).

Where are these publicly funded prekindergarten programs?

The Windsor Southwest Supervisory Union's publicly funded prekindergarten programs are located in community private early care and education programs that meet specific quality standards. The community early care and education programs that Windsor Southwest Supervisory Union partners with are:

- The Little School in Weston
- West River Montessori School in S. Londonderry
- Stepping Stones Preschool in Cavendish
- Chester Community Preschool in Chester

Is this 10 hour/week pre-kindergarten program tuition free?

Yes. Preschools that partner with the Windsor Southwest Preschool Collaborative may not charge families for the 10 hour/week program. Families will be charged fully for whatever care and education program the child needs beyond the 10 hours/week during the academic year.

Is my child eligible for publicly funded prekindergarten?

If your child is 3 years old by September 1, 2010 and resides in Andover, Baltimore, Cavendish, Chester, Landgrove, Londonderry, Peru or Weston your child is eligible to participate.

Please Note: *If we receive more applications than we have funding to support, a random selection process will be used to determine which children receive publicly funded prekindergarten education. We will inform parents whether their child has a slot by **May 15, 2010.***

How do I apply?

Complete the attached application form. Applications must be received in the Preschool Collaborative office by April 30th in order to be considered. Late applications may not be eligible for tuition assistance.

(Retain this copy for your records and submit the attached enrollment form to:
Windsor Southwest Preschool Collaborative, 89 Route 103 S., Chester VT 05143).

Windsor Southwest Supervisory Union's Preschool Collaborative
Publicly Funded Pre-kindergarten Education Program
89 Route 103 South, Chester VT 05143

APPLICATION

Child's Name: _____ Date of Birth _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (home) _____ (work) _____ (cell) _____

Email: _____

Please answer the following questions:

- 1 What town does your family reside in? _____
2. Does your child currently attend an early care and education program? __Yes __No

If yes, please provide the name and address of the early care and education program:

3. If your child is able to participate in one of our publicly funded prekindergarten programs, do you have a preference of where you'd like your child to attend? Please check below.

____ The Little School

____ Stepping Stones Preschool

____ Chester Community Preschool

____ West River Montessori School

____ Other

Thank You!

NOTE: If your child is selected to participate in publicly funded prekindergarten, but the program you want your child to attend is currently not partnering with the Windsor Southwest Supervisory Union, you may request that WSWSU contract with your preferred program IF the program meets the state's quality standards. The request must be made in writing to the school district. The school district needs to respond to your request in writing no later than 30 days after receiving your request.