

Hopatcong Borough Schools

Special Services

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This message is sent to inform you of the **Preschool Expansion Aid (PEA) Program** registration. If your child will be 3 years old on or before October 1, 2025 (and not eligible for Kindergarten yet), they are eligible for our free preschool program. The registration process is a "first come, first serve" process. It is highly recommended that you complete this process as quickly as possible once the registration process opens on **Monday March 17, 2025. Registration requirements.....**

- **Electronic Registration:** You can register your child as early as 12:00am on Monday March 17, 2025. https://www.hopatcongschools.org/p/home/registration/
- Required Paperwork: The following is the documentation that is required completed *Physical History Form*, *Proof of Immunization*, *two Proofs of Residency* (for example driver's license, utility bill, mortgage or lease agreement, tax bill, etc. The documents must have the parent/guardian name on it along with their Hopatcong address.) and the *child's original Birth Certificate*.
- Where to go: These documents are to be brought to the Administration / Board of Education Building 2 Windsor Avenue Hopatcong, NJ (building located next to the High School) and provided to Michelle Zammito. We will start to accept these documents on Monday March 17, 2025 beginning at 7:30am. This is a "first come-first serve" acceptance process. Again, a child is not considered "fully registered" until both the "electronic registration" and "required paperwork" is all submitted. Moving forward, opportunities to complete the registration process can be done daily in-person from 7:30am 12:30pm or an appointment can be made by contacting Michelle Zammito at mzammito@hopatcongschools.org.

What to expect.....

- Monday March 17th In-Person Registration: Please form a line outside of the Administration / Board of Education Building until the doors open at 7:30am. Parents will then be permitted to wait in the Board Meeting Room of the Administration / Board of Education Building. At that time, each parent will be provided with a number that indicates their place in line. Parents will be addressed in a "first come, first serve" fashion
- Notification of acceptance into program: Parents who have completed all of the registration steps (online registration and supplied the necessary documentation in person) will be notified via email no later than April 30, 2025 of their child's acceptance/program placement.

NOTE: If your child is placed in one of the First Impressions locations or at Head Start, there will be additional paperwork required. That paperwork will be provided to you by May 2025 and will need to be submitted to those sites no later than June 1, 2025.

Please contact Michelle Zammito <u>mzammito@hopatcongschools.org</u> if you have any questions. Enjoy your day!!