MILTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

There are four separate preschool programs offered district wide by the Milton Public Schools. These programs have similarities and differences. We encourage families to carefully read the details outlining each program below. For more information, please call Marti O'Keefe McKenna, Family Outreach Liaison at 617-980-7343 or email preschool@miltonps.org

| Edge Hill Campus | Gile Campus | Blue Hills Campus (full-day) | Blue Hills Campus (half-day) |
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| @Collicot School | @Milton High School | @Tucker School | @Tucker School |

❖ All four programs will implement a common curriculum, ***Teaching Strategies*: *The Creative Curriculum for Preschool,*** taught by certified teachers.

❖ All students will be engaged in active learning experiences that are aligned with Massachusetts DESE Curriculum Frameworks in all subject areas. Learning activities will support children's growth in language and literacy, math, science, social studies, social-emotional development and the arts.

❖ All four programs have a low ratio of students to educators.

❖ All four programs have unique opportunities to interact with the larger school community.

❖ If there is high enrollment, the district will hold lotteries. Multiples (twins, triplets, etc.) will be treated as one entry into the lottery, but there will be a tuition fee for each of the multiples.

❖ Special Education services are generally provided through the Edge Hill Campus.

❖ All programs follow the 2015-2016 Milton Public Schools Academic Calendar for Kindergarten students. Click here to view.

***Please read on for an overview of each program.***

## Edge Hill Program @Collicot

- Students attend five half day sessions, in either AM or PM (8:30-11:00 or 12:00-2:30)
- Age 3 on *or before 8/31* or 4 accepted
- Tuition: $3,125 for each student; students with disabilities may be eligible at no fee
- 17 students attend each class session. Classes include students with and without disabilities
- Students are invited to participate in developmentally appropriate school-wide assemblies and events

Special Education Programs:

- Services and programs are determined by the team through the IEP process
- Staffing includes a certified Special Education teacher
- Substantially Separate Programs are available for students with intensive needs, as identified by an IEP Team
- Transportation is provided for eligible students who receive Special Education services

## Gile Program @Milton High

- Students attend three half day sessions, in either AM or PM (8:00-11:10; 11:30-2:10) M/W/F.
- Age 4 *on or before 8/31* only
- Tuition: $1,200 for each student
- Milton High School students apply their child development studies in this on-site pre-kindergarten classroom, while taking Child Study, an MHS elective
- 15 preschool students attend each session with the support of junior and senior Milton High School students who work closely with preschoolers facilitated by a certified teacher
- Children participate in community-based field trips and other developmentally appropriate experiences at the high school
- No transportation is provided for this program

## Blue Hills Half Day Program @ Tucker

- Students attend five half-day sessions in either AM or PM (8:50-11:35; 12:30-3:19). Fall and spring sessions will be offered. Acceptance into both sessions will be based on enrollment numbers
- Age 3 and 4 *(on or before 8/31)* with priority given to 4 year olds.
- Tuition: No cost. This is the second year of a pilot program. During subsequent school years, there may be a tuition-based fee for this program
- 12-15 students attend each session. There is one certified teacher and one paraprofessional per session
- No transportation is provided for this program

## Blue Hills Full Day Program @Tucker

- Students attend five full day sessions (7AM to 5:30PM)
- Age 4 *on or before 8/31* only
- Breakfast, lunch and two snacks will be provided
- Tuition: This is a pilot program that is provided on a sliding fee scale based on household income
- A limited number of seats are available at the full tuition of $8,790
- 18 students will be in the full day classroom. Staffing will consist of two certified teachers and two paraprofessionals
- No transportation is provided for this program