

Welcome to Preschool!



Preschool Information Night

January 11, 2018

Milton Public Schools – www.miltonps.org



Agenda

- Introduction
- Milton Public Schools Preschool Programs
- Curriculum
- Preschool Screening
- Preschool Registration Process
- Questions



Administration and Preschool Support

Mary Gormley - Superintendent of Schools

Janet Sheehan - Asst. Supt. for Curriculum and Human Resources

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Holly Concannon - Collicot School Principal

Dr. Elaine McNeil-Girmai - Tucker Elementary School Principal

Maggie Randall - Gile Road Campus Representative

Tracy Grandeau – Administrator of Pupil Personnel Services

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Amy Gale – Collicot Assistant Principal and Curriculum Coordinator



Milton Public Schools Core Values

- High Academic Achievement for All Students
- Excellence in the Classroom
- Collaborative Relationships and Communication
- Respect for Human Differences
- Risk-Taking and Innovation for Education



Milton Public Schools

- Grades PreK-12
- 4,150 Students
- 3 Preschool Campuses
- 4 Elementary Schools
- Pierce Middle School
- Milton High School

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MPS District-wide Preschool Programs

- Edgehill Campus
 - 3 & 4 year olds
 - Integrated Half Day (5 Days)
 - Substantially Separate (5 Days)
- Blue Hills Campus
 - Full Day (5 Days) - 4 year olds only
 - Half Day (5 Days) - 3 & 4 year olds
- Gile Road Campus
 - 4 year olds only
 - Full Day (3 Days M-W-F)



All MPS Preschool Programs:

- Are available to all children, regardless of home school
- Implement a common curriculum - *The Creative Curriculum*
- Utilize *Second Step (Social Skills Curriculum)*
- Employ certified teachers
- Have a low ratio of students to adults
- Have unique opportunities to interact with the larger school community
- Follow the 2018-2019 Milton Public Schools academic calendar for kindergarten students
- Require pre-registration
- Any families interested in visiting a program please contact:
 - Edgehill Campus – Anya Samuels – asamuels@miltonps.org
 - Blue Hills Campus – Elaine McNeil Girmai – emcneilgirmai@miltonps.org
 - Gile Road Campus – Marti O’Keefe McKenna – preschool@miltonps.org

Edgehill Campus



Collicot School

Integrated Research Program

- Students attend five half day sessions, either in the morning (8:30-11:00) or the afternoon (12:00-2:30).
- Children must be age 3 on or before August 31, 2018.
- Approximately 15 students attend each class session. Classes include both students who have special education needs and peers. Classes are led by a special education teacher.

Substantially Separate Special Education Program

- Substantially separate programs are available for students with significant special education needs as identified by the IEP Team.

Blue Hills Campus Half Day Program



Tucker School

- Students attend five half day sessions, either in the morning (8:50-11:30) or in the afternoon (12:30-3:19).
- Children must be age 3 on or before August 31, 2018.
- Approximately 12 students attend each class session.
- Students have the option to attend before school or after school programs depending on the session they attend.

Blue Hills Campus Full Day Program



Tucker School

- Students attend five full day sessions (8:50-3:19).
- Children must be age 4 on or before August 31, 2018.
- Approximately 18 students attend the program.
- Students have the option to attend before and after school programs.
- Breakfast, lunch and one snack are provided.



Before and After School Programs

- Before and After School options are available at the Blue Hill Preschool Programs only.
- Students attending the Full Day program may attend both the before and after school programs.
- Students attending the morning session of the Half Day program may attend before school (7:00-8:50am).
- Students attending the afternoon session of the Half Day Program may attend after school (3:19-4:30, 5:30 or 6:00pm).
- There is an additional fee for these programs. Pricing and registration details can be found at www.miltoncommunityschools.org

Gile Road Campus



Milton High School

- Students attend three full day sessions on Monday, Wednesday and Friday (7:30am-2:10pm).
- Children must be age 4 on or before August 31, 2018.
- Approximately 15 preschool children attend the program.
- The program is linked to a Milton High School Child Study course.
 - Junior and senior high school students apply their child development studies in an on-site preschool classroom.
 - Under the supervision of a certified teacher, high school students work closely with the preschool-age children in this program.

Preschool is...



Play and Exploration



Making New Friends

Being part of a group



Early Literacy



Following Directions



Staying Focused



Cooperative Learning

Preschool is...

Dramatic Play



Creative Arts



Music and Movement



Blocks and Building



Outdoor Play



Sand and Water



Reading





A Day in the Life of a Preschooler

Full Day Program

- Arrival
- Morning Meeting
- Choice Time/Interest Areas
- Snack
- Gross Motor/Outdoor Play
- Independent Reading
- Music and Movement
- Second Step Social Skills Curriculum
- Read Aloud
- Lunch
- Quiet Time
- Afternoon Meeting
- Choice Time/Interest Areas
- Dismissal

Half Day Program

- Arrival
- Morning Meeting
- Choice Time/Interest Areas
- Snack
- Read Aloud
- Music and Movement
- Second Step Social Skills Curriculum
- Gross Motor/Outdoor Play
- Dismissal

How Are Classrooms Arranged?

Learning Centers

- Classroom Library
- Literacy and Writing
- Math Manipulatives and Puzzles
- Dramatic Play
- Blocks
- Art
- Science
- Sand and Water
- Technology
- Large Group/Meeting Area





Preschool Curriculum - *Creative Curriculum*

- Curriculum is designed in thematic units of study.
- Young children learn best by doing, learning first hand about our world using all their senses.
- Learning requires active thinking and experimenting to find out how things work.
- Children play and learn at a pace that is right for them.
- The goal is to inspire a love of learning with students becoming independent and inquisitive learners.



Home-School Partnership

- This is the beginning of a long-term relationship with the MPS.
- Families and schools work together to help children succeed.
- There are many ways we will be in touch:
 - Newsletters
 - Progress reports
 - Email
 - Open House
 - Home Visit Options
 - Parent/Teacher Conferences
 - Drop Off and Pick Up Times
 - Volunteer Opportunities
- ***You are your child's first teacher! We look forward to working with you!***



Preschool Screening

- The purpose of the preschool screening is to gain information about your child's learning style and needs.
- Your child will participate in a series of developmentally appropriate and fun tasks and activities.
- The screening takes about 15-20 minutes to complete.
- If specific needs are identified during screening, families will be contacted.



Special Education Services

Process

- Evaluation
- Special education services and placement are determined by the IEP Team

Continuum of Services

- Walk in services (low needs)
- Integrated program (moderate needs)
- Substantially Separate (significant needs)

Children receiving special education services may be eligible to enter during the school year once they turn age 3 per the IEP Team process.



Pre-Registration & Lottery

- Pre-registration is required in order to determine enrollment and plan programs.
- The pre-registration form can be found at the following link:
 - [2018-2019 Pre-registration link](#)
- If there is high enrollment indicated by pre-registration, program will hold lotteries on January 26, 2018.
- Multiples (twins, triplets, etc.) will be treated as one entry into the lottery but each student will incur an individual tuition cost.
- No sibling preference
- Waitlists will be maintained for each program



Preschool Timeline

January	<p>Jan. 11 - 25 – Pre-registration <u>2018-2019 Pre-registration link</u> <i>Program Visits Available Upon Request</i></p> <p>Jan. 26 – Lottery (if necessary)</p>
February	<p>By Feb. 5 – Families notified of placement & registration information</p> <p>Feb. 12 & 16 – Registration (Appointment Only) Milton High School Library</p> <p>Feb. 23 – Completed Registration and Deposit Deadline</p>
April/May	Preschool Screenings
August/ September	Orientation School Begins



MPS Preschool Program Tuition Rates 2018-19

Edge Hill Campus	5 Half Day Sessions (morning or afternoon)	\$3,350
Gile Campus	3 Full Day Sessions	\$4,000
Blue Hill Campus	5 Half Day Sessions (morning or afternoon)	\$3,350
Blue Hill Campus	5 Full Day Sessions	\$8,000
<i>Reduced fees available based on a sliding fee scale</i>		



Application for Reduced Tuition

- The following financial information is required:
 - 2016 or 2017 signed tax returns
 - 2017 W-2/1099 form
 - 1 month of most recent pay stubs

***ALL INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT
STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL***

2018-19 Preschool (**Projected**) Sliding Fee Scale

Sliding Scale subject to change in accordance with state guidelines.

Fee Level	Percentage of State Median Income (Annual)	Family Size/ Gross Annual Income								Sliding Fee %	Fee @ \$3,350 Tuition
		2	3	4	5	6	4	8	9		
1	Up to 25%	18,733	23,140	27,548	31,956	36,363	37,190	38,016	38,842	Free	Free
2	26-35%	26,226	32,396	38,567	44,738	50,908	52,065	53,222	54,379	10%	335
3	36-50%	37,465	46,280	55,096	63,911	72,726	74,379	76,032	77,685	18%	603
4	51-65%	48,705	60,164	71,624	83,084	94,544	96,693	98,842	100,990	25%	838
5	66-85%	63,691	78,676	93,662	108,649	123,634	126,444	129,254	132,064	50%	1,675
6	86-100%	74,930	92,560	110,191	127,822	145,452	148,758	152,064	155,369	75%	2,513
7	Above 100%	74,930	92,560	110,191	127,822	145,452	148,758	152,064	155,369	100%	3,350



Tuition Payments

- Deposit of 10% of tuition due at registration appointment
- Payment plan options (1, 2, 4 or 10 payments)
- Online payment system

Sliding Fee Example

- A Family of Four



- Total Household Annual Gross Income of \$90,000

Example with 2018/19 Rates

Family of Four

\$90,000 income

Fee is \$1,675

Fee Level	Percentage of State Median Income (Annual)	Family Size and Income	Sliding Fee Percent	Fee @ \$3,350 Tuition
		4		
1	0 - 25%	\$27,548	0%	\$0
2	26-35%	\$38,567	10%	\$335
3	36-50%	\$55,096	18%	\$603
4	51-65%	\$71,624	25%	\$838
5	66-85%	\$93,662	50%	\$1,675
6	86-100%	\$110,191	75%	\$2,513
7	Above 100%	\$110,191	100%	\$3,350



MPS Contact Information

Superintendent's Office – 617-696-4808

Special Education Office – 617-696-5040 ext. 5574

Tracy Grandeau, Administrator of Pupil Personnel Services

Edgehill Campus – 617-696-4282

Holly Concannon, Principal

Blue Hills Campus – 617-696-4291

Dr. Elaine McNeil-Girmai, Principal

Gile Road Campus – 617-696-4470

Maggie Randall, Gile Road Lead Teacher

Student Registration Information – 617-696-4470 ext. 5510

Jane Barrett, Registrar

Preschool Chair – 617-696-4282 x 2028

Anya Samuels

Family Outreach Liaison – 617-980-7343

Marti O'Keefe McKenna



PRESCHOOL

- This is a big step for you and your child!
- Celebrate this big step and enjoy!
- We can't wait to see you in the Fall!

Questions?

