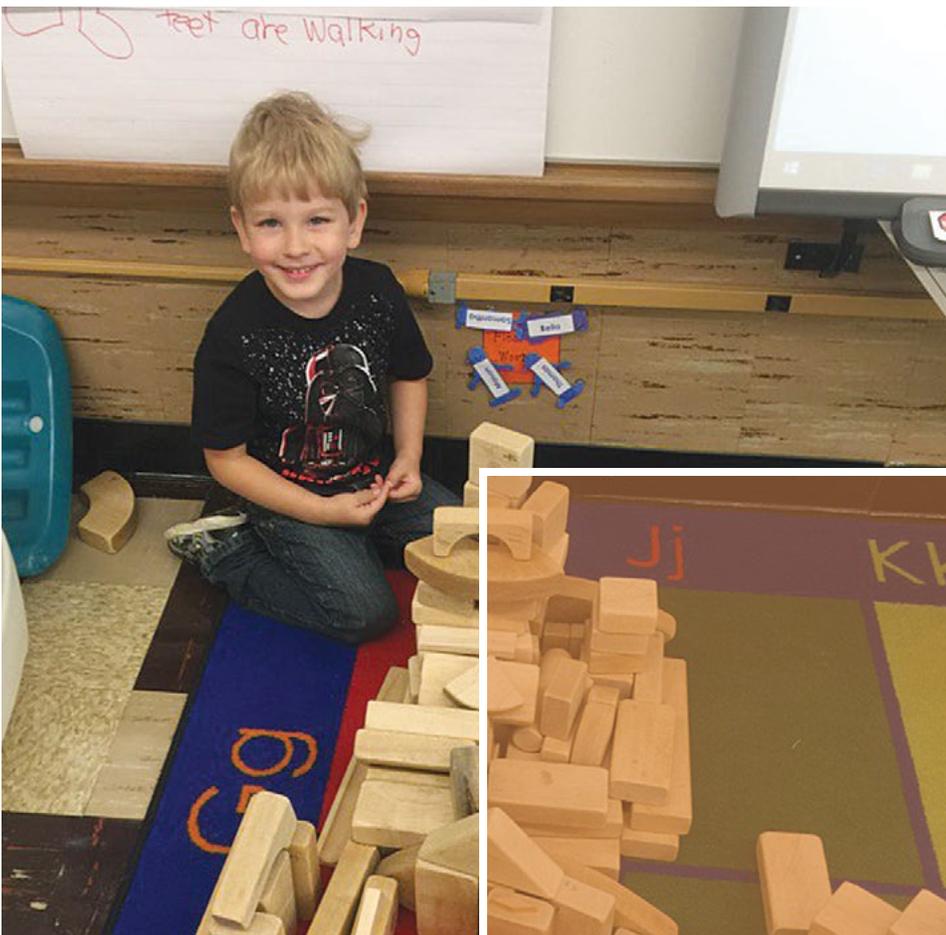


# 2018-19 Pre-Kindergarten Information and Application



Building the  
Foundation  
for  
Life-Long  
Learning



# Educating the Whole Child

**Greece Central's Universal Pre-Kindergarten program addresses the educational needs of our youngest learners in an environment that nurtures social development, creativity, decision making, and school readiness. Learning is designed to correspond with children's interests and developmental stages.**

A researched-based curriculum guides classroom learning. Children build an understanding of the physical world through activities such as measuring, building, and sand and water play. Social and cultural information is explored through games, dramatic play, and participation in community events. Logic and mathematics are introduced through comparing, counting, and sequencing. The written and spoken word is learned through reading, writing, drawing, and expressing their ideas. Student progress is measured through assessment tools aligned to the Common Core Learning Standards for Pre-K.

Each Greece Pre-Kindergarten classroom has several activity centers containing different materials for exploration and play. These activity centers vary from classroom to classroom, but all include the following basic centers: art, math and manipulatives, blocks, dramatic play, water, literacy, library, music, outdoors, sand, and science.

If your child is accepted into the half-day Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program, his or her school day will include both whole and small group learning, as well as opportunities to work independently with adult guidance. Student choice is built into many parts of the Pre-K day, which helps children learn to make choices and develop their own interests and skills.

Our Pre-Kindergarten program nurtures the whole child and encourages families to become active participants in their child's learning.



## Pre-K Application Guidelines

- Pre-Kindergarten is offered yearly, pending state funding and a successful school budget vote.
- In order to participate in the Greece Central School District Pre-Kindergarten program your home address must be within the district's attendance boundaries.
- Children who will be 4-years-old on or before December 1, 2018 can apply for Greece Central's pre-kindergarten program. Children who will be 5-years-old on or before December 1, 2018 are eligible for kindergarten. Do not complete this application if your child is eligible for kindergarten or too young for pre-kindergarten.
- Placement in pre-kindergarten is on a space available basis, and because there are a limited number of spots, it is possible not all children will be placed. If needed, a district lottery will be held for available spots. We recommend that you maintain your child's private pre-school enrollment, if you have already made those arrangements, at least until you find out if your child is selected to attend a District pre-kindergarten program.
- In order to be considered, you **must fill out the application on the next page by March 9, 2018.**

*Drop off or mail the completed application to:*

Office of Student Services  
Greece Central School District  
750 Maiden Lane  
Rochester, NY 14615

Or fax the completed registration form to  
581-8205

Applications will be accepted after the deadline and students will be placed on a waiting list in the order applications are received.

- Based on a space available basis, your child may be accepted into an a.m. or p.m. session at one of our Pre-K sites or one of our off-site providers. Children must have consistent attendance to remain in the program and parents have to comply with all pre-kindergarten policies.

**Please call 966-2473  
with questions about this application.**

**CHILD'S INFORMATION**

Male  
 Female

CHILD'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTH DATE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**FATHER'S/GUARDIAN'S INFORMATION**

FATHER'S/GUARDIAN'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER'S/GUARDIAN'S ADDRESS *(If different from child's address)* \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

**MOTHER'S/GUARDIAN'S INFORMATION**

MOTHER'S/GUARDIAN'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S/GUARDIAN'S ADDRESS *(If different from child's address)* \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

When making pre-kindergarten placements, we consider your home attendance boundary. Although there are no guarantees, we make every attempt to place your child with other children who will be attending the same elementary school. If for some reason, you would like us to use another address, such as the address of their childcare provider or the address of the person providing transportation, please write the preferred address below.

PREFERRED ADDRESS/CHILD CARE FACILITY \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CHILD**

Please list your child's educational experience(s) including pre-school, day care, summer programs, and other relevant experiences.

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Describe your child's strengths.

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Please describe your child's self-help skills (e.g., toileting themselves, feeding themselves, dressing themselves, etc.).

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What languages are spoken in your home? What language does your child speak most?

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Has your child received any pre-school special education services? . . . . .  yes  no

Has your child's physical, medical, or social development ever been screened or evaluated? . . . . .  yes  no

Please describe your child's needs (speech, hearing, vision, behavior, social, medical, physical, etc.).

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Please list any allergies and/or medical concerns your child has, and any medications your child is taking.

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**SIBLING INFORMATION**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTH DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL/GRADE LEVEL \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTH DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL/GRADE LEVEL \_\_\_\_\_

I \_\_\_\_\_ PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME understand that by applying to enroll my child in a Greece Central School District pre-kindergarten program I agree to follow all of the guidelines and policies outlined in this brochure and application, including adhering to the daily attendance policy. I also understand that my child may be placed on a districtwide waiting list and I will be contacted as soon as a vacancy becomes available.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**Completed application must be returned by March 9, 2018.**

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 Greece Central School District  
 750 Maiden Lane  
 Rochester, NY 14615

*Or fax application to:* 581-8205



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## *2018-19 Pre-Kindergarten Information and Application enclosed*

**COMPLETED APPLICATIONS MUST BE RETURNED BY MARCH 9, 2018**

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# Questions and Answers

**Q: What is the Pre-Kindergarten student/teacher ratio?**

**A:** Each Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) classroom adheres to the New York State regulations of one adult for no more than nine students. Most of our UPK classes have 18 students to one certified teacher and one certified teaching assistant.

**Q: Does the district provide transportation?**

**A:** No. Transportation must be provided to and from the program by a parent or caregiver.

**Q: Do I choose which school my child will attend?**

**A:** No. Placement is determined by the information provided in your application and available spaces.

**Q: What happens if we move during the school year?**

**A:** If your family moves to a different attendance area in the Greece Central School District while your child is enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten, you can choose to remain at your current Pre-Kindergarten site or have your child placed on a waiting list for the next available space at a location closer to your new attendance area. However, if you move out of the Greece Central School District boundaries, you would have to leave the program.

**Q: How long is the Pre-Kindergarten school day?**

**A:** Half-day sessions are held in the morning and afternoon and last 2 1/2 hours. Breakfast or lunch are available. Classes are held five days a week in accordance with the school calendar. Regular and prompt attendance is expected to remain in the program.

**Q: Do I get to choose whether my child attends morning or afternoon sessions?**

**A:** No. Space in our Pre-Kindergarten classes is limited and children are assigned to sessions.

**Q: When will I be notified if my child has been accepted?**

**A:** Letters will be mailed to all applicants in the beginning of April informing you of your child's acceptance, or informing you of their placement on a waiting list. If accepted, you will then be asked to complete the registration process.

**Q: Who can I call with other Pre-Kindergarten questions?**

**A:** You can call 966-2473.