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2424. PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

The Board of Education supports a Preschool Program for all children who have attained the minimum age of three years on or before October 1st of the year in which entrance is sought and have not yet attained the age at which admission to Kindergarten is permitted. In February, the district will schedule a Preschool Round-up in order to register students who will meet the admission criteria the following school year. Based on the number of pupils enrolled at the Preschool Round-up, the Superintendent will recommend the number of classes for the following school year to be included in the District's budget.

The Board of Education will annually set a tuition rate for students to attend the district's Preschool Program. Tuition paying resident families with more than one child in preschool living in the same household will pay one-half of the established tuition rate for the second child. Additional children in the same household will attend at no cost. Separate rates will be established for resident and non-resident students.

Preschool class size should not exceed 20 pupils, pursuant to Policy 5120, Assignment of Pupils.

To ensure enrollment preschool parents or guardians must complete all registration requirements prior to March 1st. A schedule of tuition payments will be disseminated to parents and guardians prior to July 30th. The first of ten equal tuition payments must be submitted upon application to the program to ensure a place in the program. Withdrawal from the program that is initiated by the family or the BOE, prior to June 1st will result in total reimbursement to the family. Subsequent tuition payments are due the 1st of each month from September through May. Enrollments received on or after March 1st will be accepted based on the availability of space. Should enrollment exceed the number of classes included in the budget, a wait list will be established in order of registration date and time.

Preschool age children of nonresident District employees will pay the established in-district tuition rate.

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board will admit nonresident pupils on a tuition basis in accordance with Policy 6150, Tuition Income, to fill available seats after July 15th.

Township residents who meet the established standard for free or reduced lunch may enroll their children tuition free. This entitlement will not be extended to non-resident pupils.

Pupils of Township residents unable to meet district academic or behavioral standards may, upon recommendation of the building principal, repeat preschool. In the event of such a recommendation, parents will not be liable for a second year's tuition.

N.J.S.A.	18A:38-3; 18A:38-19; 18A:46-21
N.J.A.C.	6A:23-3.1 et seq. through 3.4 et seq.
N.J.A.C.	6A:14-7.8
Policy 6150	Tuition Income
Policy 5120	Assignment of Pupils

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