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# Transition to Kindergarten

January 29, 2019

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# West Hartford Public Schools



# Great by 8



# And You!

# Our journey together begins tonight...

- Kindergarten in West Hartford
- Orientation/Registration Process
- Magnet School Options
- Supporting Your Child's Development
- Question & Answer

*Off To Kindergarten!*



Please join us to learn more about Kindergarten in West Hartford, the Registration Process, and ways to help prepare your child.

**Monday  
January 30, 2017**  
(Snow Date:  
Monday, February 6)

6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

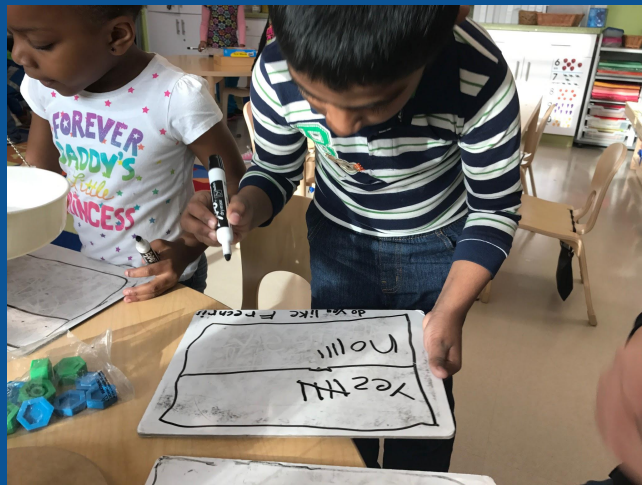
**Town Hall**  
50 South Main Street  
West Hartford, CT 06107

Parents of the West Hartford Kindergarten Class of 2017-18

To register, please e-mail [rsvpgreatby8@gmail.com](mailto:rsvpgreatby8@gmail.com)

Childcare available by reservation on first-come, first-served basis.  
Children residing in West Hartford who are 5 on or before January 1, 2018 are eligible for enrollment in WHIPS kindergartens.





**What can you and your child expect to find when you get to Kindergarten?**

# Students in Action: Reading

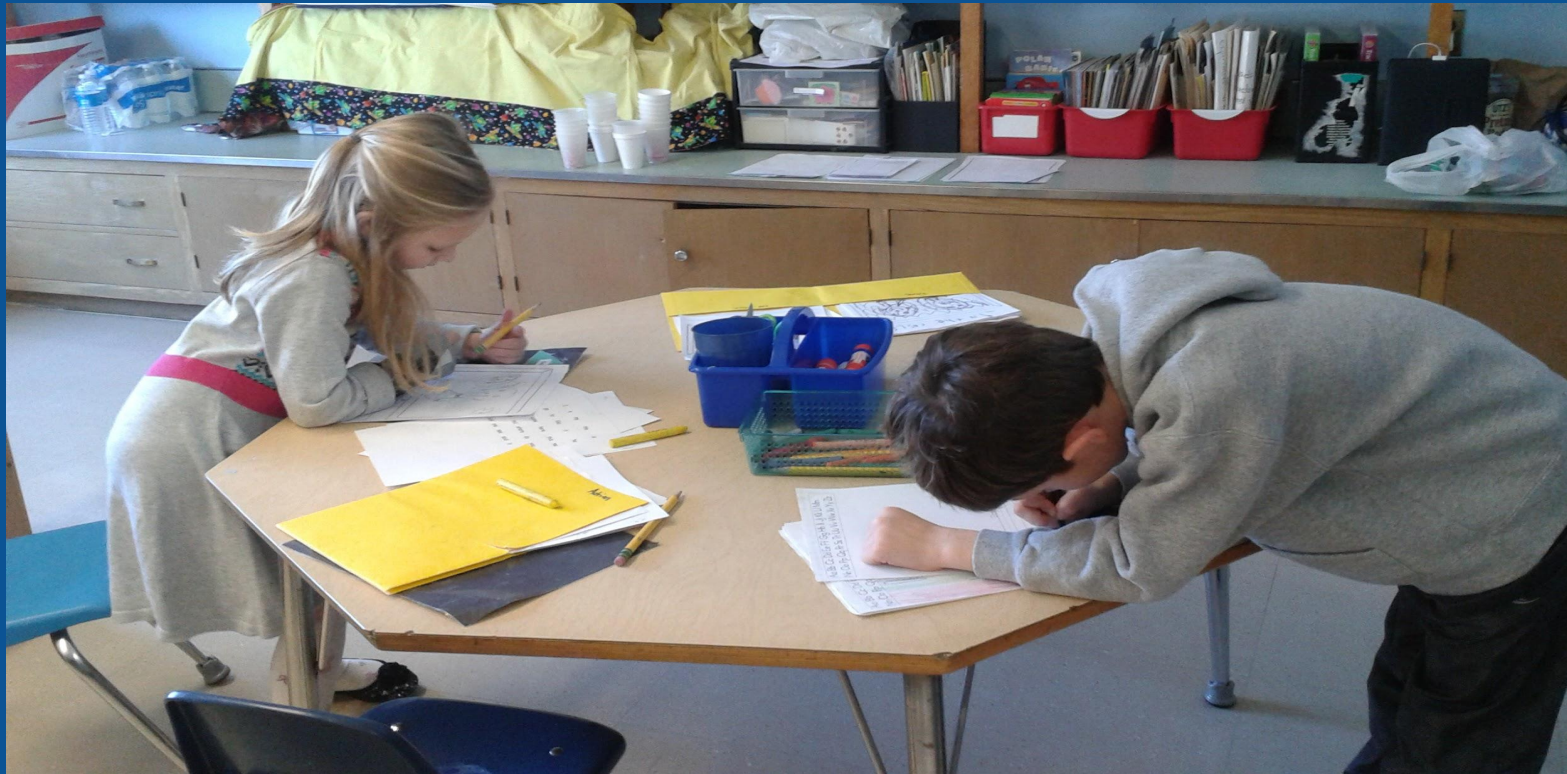




# Outdoor Play is learning time, too



# Writing





# Mathematics





# Civics/Social-Emotional Development



*What can you do to support?*

# What to expect the first few weeks of school?



# What if My Child Has an IEP?

Special Education Parent Teacher Organization Transition Night

- 7pm on February 6th at King Philip Middle School

Transition PPTs to be held in the Spring

Private School Service Plans



# A Day in the Life of a Kindergartener

Kindergarten in  
West Hartford  
Public Schools



# The Registration Process

## Step 1: Contact school office

Not sure of which school? There are 11!

Contact *Residency and Registration Office* at [whps.org](http://whps.org) or (860) 561-6620

[Map of Elementary School Districts](#)



# Options to consider...



[magnetschools.whps.org](https://magnetschools.whps.org)

Applications due March 7, 2019 by 4:00 p.m.



## Step 2: Evening Orientation at School

Parents/guardians only

1. Meet school staff and fellow parents/guardians
2. Take a tour of the school
3. Receive paperwork to complete & bring back on Registration Day
4. Sign-up for time to visit with your child on Registration Day

# Step 3: Kindergarten Registration/Visit Day

- You and your child
- During school day
- Bring your registration materials

# e-registration

1. Follow the link on the website or card. Provide basic information. 2-3 business days turn around
2. Receive and email with full registration materials - electronically
3. Proof of Residency Documents- you have choice.
  - You can scan them (must be readable) or bring them in person.
  - Bring to residency office or on visiting day this spring. (you or a relative)

In your folder there is a card with link and QR code

4. **Parent Portal is open!** Access to other important paperwork and information.



# Registration Day: What you will need to bring



or



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## Documentation to Verify Proof of Residency



### Homeowners (Choose one of three)

- Current mortgage statement
- Homeowner's property tax statement
- Homeowner's insurance policy

### Renters

- Current rental agreement (original)

# Registration Day: What you will need to bring

Necessary school/registration forms  
(distributed during evening orientation session)



## Other stops along the way...

Pediatrician → Updated health forms

Before/After Care → Call the providers listed

Bus Practice → Monday, August 5, 2019 9:00 a.m.

School “Open House”/Visiting Days → Late August

First Day of School → **August 28**

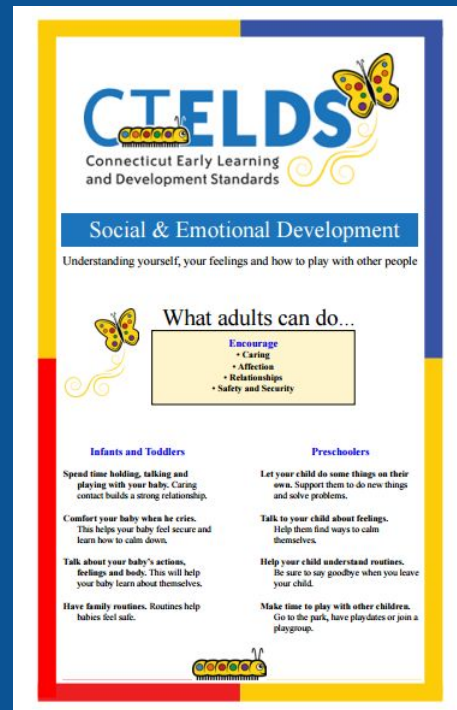


## Pause & Connect

- What questions/concerns do you have about the transition to Kindergarten?
- What are you most excited about for your child?

# CT Early Learning and Development Standards

- Social & Emotional Development
- Physical Development & Health
- Cognition
- Language & Literacy
- Creative Arts
- Science, Social Studies, Mathematics



# Expectations for Kindergarten: Building Strengths and Skills



Q&A

# We invite you to be our partners...



**School Parent-Teacher  
Organizations (PTO  
and SEPTO)**



And look forward...



...to the journey with you and your child!