



## PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS APPLICATION

For 3-4 year old students (*Applications are processed all year*)



**Questions?** Please contact the Early Learners Department by email at [PREKPROGRAMS@PPS.NET](mailto:PREKPROGRAMS@PPS.NET) or leave a detailed message at 971.501.0111



**W**elcome! Thank you for your interest in Portland Public Schools' Early Learning Programs. This brochure contains information about our pre-kindergarten offerings, including Head Start. An initial application form is also included.

### Eligibility and income requirements

All PPS pre-kindergarten programs, including Head Start, give priority to low-income families. Eligibility can also depend on the neighborhood school you are assigned to based on your address. To determine if your family meets income eligibility guidelines, see page 2.

### Age requirements

To be eligible for our pre-kindergarten programs, children must be at least three years old by September 1 of the enrolling year. Students who are five years old by September 1 are not eligible for pre-kindergarten, but may enroll in a free full-day kindergarten program at their neighborhood school. Go to this PPS website ([HTTPS://WWW.PPS.NET/PAGE/2379](https://www.pps.net/page/2379)) and click "School Finder" to identify your neighborhood school.

### Space availability

Due to limited space, PPS cannot always enroll every eligible student. If your child is added to a wait list, you may want to consider enrollment in a community preschool by accessing 211 ([WWW.211INFO.ORG](http://WWW.211INFO.ORG)).

### Reminder

Pre-kindergarten enrollment does not guarantee your student will continue at the same site for kindergarten, unless your pre-kindergarten site is your assigned neighborhood school.

**Free PPS Pre-K programs**

All PPS PK programs serve 3 and 4 year olds.

	Address	Options
<b>N PORTLAND</b>		
Applegate Head Start	7650 N Commercial Ave.	Full day <i>(Native American focus classroom available)</i>
Boise-Eliot/Humboldt School Pre-K	620 N Fremont St.	Full day
Clarendon Head Start Early Learning Center	9325 N Van Houten St.	Full day and ½ day <i>(Spanish Immersion classroom available)</i>
Sitton Head Start	9930 N Smith St.	Full day <i>(Spanish Immersion classroom available)</i>
<b>NE PORTLAND</b>		
Faubion Early Learning Center Faubion School Pre-K	2930 NE Dekum St.	Full day <i>(Native Montessori classroom available)</i>
Jason Lee Head Start	2222 NE 92nd Ave.	Full day
Martin Luther King Jr. School Pre-K	4906 NE 6th Ave.	Full day
Sacajawea Head Start	4800 NE 74th Ave.	Full day and ½ day <i>(Spanish Immersion classroom available)</i>
<b>SE PORTLAND</b>		
Creston Head Start	4620 SE Powell Blvd.	Full day and ½ day
Grout Head Start	3119 SE Holgate Blvd.	Full day
Kelly Head Start	9015 SE Rural St.	Full day and ½ day
Lent School Pre-K* Pending State Funding	5105 SE 97th Avenue	Full day
Whitman Head Start	7326 SE Flavel St.	Full day

**Family income guidelines**

Eligibility for PPS Early Learning programs is based in part on whether a family income is within or near federal poverty guidelines. Other factors such as disability, foster status, and family circumstances may be considered. Lower income families have highest priority for acceptance.

**Specific guidelines**

- Head Start prioritizes families at or below federal poverty guidelines (see charts to the right). Some slots may be available for families at 130% of poverty or above with special circumstances.
- Our Pre-K programs at Faubion, Boise-Eliot/Humboldt, Martin, Luther King Jr, and Lent prioritizes families who have incomes at or below 200% of federal poverty guidelines (see charts to the right).

<b>ANNUAL</b>		
Size of family unit	Poverty guideline	200%
1	\$12,880	\$25,760
2	\$17,420	\$34,840
3	\$21,960	\$43,920
4	\$26,500	\$53,000
5	\$31,040	\$62,080
6	\$35,580	\$71,160
7	\$40,120	\$80,240
8	\$44,660	\$89,320

*For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$4,540 for each additional person.*

<b>MONTHLY</b>		
Size of family unit	Poverty guideline	200%
1	\$1,073	\$2,147
2	\$1,452	\$2,903
3	\$1,830	\$3,660
4	\$2,208	\$4,417
5	\$2,587	\$5,173
6	\$2,965	\$5,930
7	\$3,343	\$6,687
8	\$3,722	\$7,443

*For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$378 for each additional person.*

**Student information**

Student first name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student last name: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender:  Female  Male  Nonbinary Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

*Children must be 3 or 4 years old by September 1 of the enrolling year*

Student address (if different from parent address): \_\_\_\_\_

Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Program choice**

Please list the programs you would like your child to attend in order of preference.

Please enter at least one choice from the list on the other side of this application.

#1 \_\_\_\_\_

#2 \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or guardian information**

Correspondence language:  English  Spanish  Vietnamese  Chinese  Russian  Somali

Relationship to student (check one):  Mother  Father  Guardian  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Parent first name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent last name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone number (must enter at least one)**

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Eligibility Questions**

*Please answer the following questions as completely as possible. Your response will help make sure students receive priority for programs based on federal and state guidelines.*

1. Is this child a foster child placed with you through DHS?  Yes  No
2. Does this child have a documented disability or health impairment?  Yes  No  
If yes, what type? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Does this child have a sibling who has been enrolled in Head Start or is currently enrolled in the school you are applying to?  Yes  No  
If yes, please include sibling's full name and birthdate \_\_\_\_\_
4. Is your family currently receiving TANF benefits?  Yes  No
5. Are you or anyone in your family currently receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI)?  Yes  No
6. Are you homeless or living in temporary housing, motel or shelter?  Yes  No

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7. Are you interested in enrolling your child in a culturally-specific Native American classroom?

Yes  No

*If you answered yes to the previous question, please answer the following two questions.:*

8. Are any children in your family enrolled in the Title VI Indian Education program?  Yes  No

9. Does your family routinely participate in Native American cultural activities?  Yes  No

10. **Number in household:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Current monthly gross income (before taxes):** \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that I may be contacted and asked to provide additional information, *including proof of income*, to support my child's application.

**Parent/Guardian Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Applications can also be completed online: [www.pps.net/Page/2471](http://www.pps.net/Page/2471).

Mail complete applications to:

Early Learners Department  
501 N Dixon St. | Portland, OR 97227  
Questions? Email [prekprograms@pps.net](mailto:prekprograms@pps.net)  
or leave a detailed voicemail at 971.501.0111

The Early Learners Department will notify you regarding the status of your application.

### Official Use Only

Date Received:

Date Entered: