MISSION

The PreKindergarten Program prepares each child and family for kindergarten by providing academically rigorous early childhood education aligned with the District K-12 standards based instructional model. We strive to ensure lasting achievement for all early learners.

spps.org/prek (651-793-5430)

For information about the program, call the school you are interested in attending. To apply for the program, call the Saint Paul Public Schools Student Placement Center (651) 632-3760

Classes for children the year before kindergarten in the Saint Paul Public Schools
**PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAM**

The PreKindergarten Program provides preschool education for children the year before kindergarten to prepare them for school success. Classes focus on teaching children to:
- see themselves as capable learners,
- develop reading, writing and math skills,
- work well with other children and adults.

**CLASS SIZE**

20 children are enrolled in each class with a licensed teacher and an assistant.

**CLASS TIME**

Children are enrolled for a full school year, five days a week for 2.5 hours in the mornings or afternoons. Or 6 hours at selected sites.

**ENROLLMENT**

The PreKindergarten Program is open to children who are:
- Four-years-old by September 1 and
- Living in Saint Paul.

Admission priority is given to children who are:
- Eligible for free or reduced-price meals, or
- English Language Learners, or
- Enrolled in Early Childhood Special Education.

To apply, call the Student Placement Center (651) 632-3760 for an application and information about the enrollment process.

**TRANSPORTATION**

School bus transportation is provided on the K-6 or Early Childhood Special Education buses where available.

**SCREENING**

Through Early Childhood Screening, parents learn more about the health and development of their children.

Screenings include:
- vision check
- hearing check
- immunization review
- height and weight measurement
- developmental/speech screening
- screening interview

The screening is free of charge and is required when enrolling.

**PARENT EDUCATION AND SUPPORT**

The PreKindergarten Program provides:
- Multilingual family education events to support the transition into the Pre-Kindergarten Program and Kindergarten.
- Activities to reinforce learning at home
- Connections to elementary school family activities
- Connections to community resources
- Child development information
- Parenting information and support