



## Early Kindergarten Entry Interest Form and Request for Screening

School Board policy JEB: *A child who reaches his or her fifth birthday after September 30 but on or before December 31 of the school year shall be eligible for enrollment in kindergarten if enrollment would benefit the child. For such children, the principal has the discretion to determine eligibility for kindergarten based on scores on approved readiness tests, parent interview, child interview, and/or observation of the child.*

Parents of children within the age range listed above may request that their child be screened for early entry into Kindergarten so that the school principal has information to aid in making the decision of whether or not the child may enter Kindergarten. Here are the steps of the process:

- 1) A parent completes this form and returns it to the school's front office.
- 2) The principal delivers the form to the School Board Office.
- 3) The School Board Office reaches out to families to set up a screening date.
- 4) The child is screened by members of the Instruction Team at the School Board Office.
- 5) The results from the screening are sent to the building principal.
- 6) The building principal reaches out to the family of the child to share the decision which is based on the screening results.

Please note, children who fall in the age range listed above are **not necessarily ready for Kindergarten**. The screening results act as a strong predictor to indicate if the child is ready for Kindergarten, and the building principal uses this information to help determine if the child should be permitted to attend Kindergarten.

Dates for Early Screening, to be held in the Instructional Building at the School Board Office in Bedford:

June 5<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

June 6<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

June 25<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

June 26<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**(Please complete this form and return to school principal)**

### Child's Demographic Information:

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Base School: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Parent/Guardian Contact Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reason for Considering Early Entry to Kindergarten:**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Child's Preschool Experience:**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Child's Strengths:**

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You will receive a call from the School Board Office to schedule a date and time. You will need the following documents for the screening:

1. Birth Certificate (original from vital statistics)
2. Proof of residency (copy of mortgage, lease agreement, or real estate tax statement)

**For Office Use Only**

Screening Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_