

Preschool Overview

The priority of RCS' Preschool Program is to provide services for children with disabilities in an inclusive environment. This is done through a staff of preschool teachers, teacher assistants, speech therapists, occupational therapists, physical therapists and other school specialists. Our program offers a high quality pre-kindergarten program that promotes the whole child across all five of these domains of development and learning that are fundamental to school readiness. Our preschool programs are high-quality four and five star facilities that actively engage children in hands-on learning and meet the needs of each individual child. These programs also promote the active involvement of families in their children's education. Our programs are licensed through the NC Division of Child Care.

Mission Statement

To provide individualized, developmentally appropriate learning experiences for preschool aged students to help promote, support and expand growth in the developmental areas of:



- Social and Emotional
- Cognitive
- Communication
- Independence
- Sensory-motor

Preschool Referral Process

RCS preschool programs offer free developmental screenings for children ages 3 and 4. These screenings look at children's cognitive, language and motor development.

Please call the RCS Preschool Program at 336.627.2709 to set up an appointment.



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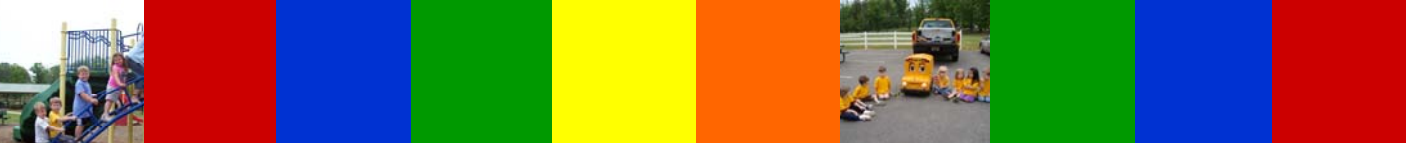
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Explanation of the Preschool Program

Rockingham County Schools Preschool program provides developmentally appropriate inclusive classrooms, for three and four year olds, serving typically developing children and children with disabilities. Preschool programs are located at 13 elementary schools and on the Western Rockingham Middle School (WRECC) and Reidsville High School (RHSECC) campuses. Our preschool classrooms follow



regular school hours and the school calendar with additional preschool work-days.



Preschool Slots Available

Exceptional Children: Public schools are responsible for providing special education services for children ages 3-21 years of age. Preschool serves children with disabilities who are ages 3 to 5 who are not kindergarten age eligible. Children who meet eligibility criteria for one of the federally recognized areas of disabilities are provided special education services. Children are served in home, child care, or center based programs based on an Individual Education Program (IEP) to ensure each child receives free, appropriate public education including special education services as well as any needed educational therapies. These preschoolers receive first priority for available slots.

Department of Social Services Subsidy: All of the preschool sites are now accepting subsidy vouchers for preschools through the Department of Social Services.



Additional Preschool Slots Available

NCPK: NC Pre-Kindergarten Program is a state funded preschool program targeting children who have not had previous preschool or childcare experiences prior to kindergarten. RCS works with the Rockingham County Partnership for Children to place children eligible for the More at Four program. To find out more about this program you can contact The Rockingham County Partnership for Children at 336.342.9676.

Fee For Service: Each preschool classroom has Fee For Service slots for preschools depending on available space in each classroom. These slots allow parents to pay a fee for their students to attend the preschool classrooms. Please contact the RCS Preschool Program at 336.627.2709 to obtain an application and fee schedule.

