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## Prek/K Registration Frequently Asked Questions

#### Q: Is there tuition for PreK and if so, what is it?

A: The Board of Education sets the tuition rate. The rate for the 2023-2024 school year is \$9,842. The rate for 2024-2025 will be available at the end of February.

#### Q: Is there Before Care/After Care?

A: The vendor that provides care programs for Glen Ridge is AlphaBest, and information is on their website: <a href="https://www.alphabest.org/glenridgenj/">https://www.alphabest.org/glenridgenj/</a>. Updated information for the upcoming school year should be available in the late spring or early summer.

# Q: My child is on the young side. Will we be able to have another year of PreK if my child is not ready for Kindergarten?

A: We work with our families each year on whether or not to give a child another experience in a grade level, with conversations happening in March, April and late spring. We consider birth dates, maturity, and academic and social/emotional readiness for the next school year. We are open to this idea and work with the parents to determine the best course of action.

# Q: My child's yearly physical is not scheduled until months after Registration Week. How can I complete and upload the Universal Health Record: GRPS Physical Form?

A: Since insurance will only cover one physical a year, you can have the doctor complete the form and just write the date of your child's most recent physical (within one year). Then, when your child gets a new physical, the doctor can complete a new form, and you can send that updated physical form directly to the school nurse.

#### Q: When will I find out if I am fully registered and which school my child will attend?

A: All documentation must be submitted in order to be registered for entering the Glen Ridge Schools in September of 2024. A confirmation email will be sent to you after your file has been reviewed, and we have received all the necessary documents. We will notify all PreK parents of school placement by March 1st, Kindergarten parents by May 1st, and classroom assignments by June 30th.

## Q: What is the code for the PreK or Kindergarten levels on the registration form?

A: PreK is **4H** and Kindergarten is **0**.

#### Q: Does Glen Ridge offer half-day Pre-K?

A: No. The PreK program is designed to be a full-day program.

#### Q: I would like to see the inside of buildings; do you give school tours?

A: Parents of registered students will be invited to attend an evening orientation program at their child's assigned school.

### **School Zoning Questions:**

### Q: Which school will my child attend?

A: The District has maintained a "soft" boundary practice when assigning children to an elementary school. It allows the District to place a child who may reside in a different zone in an elementary school to help manage class sizes in all three primary schools.

## Zoning Letter for Registration Announcement

Generally speaking, here is the Zoning Map with "soft boundaries": Primary Zones