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Everett Public Schools welcomes next year's kindergarten students

Although this school year is not yet finished, and there are six more months before next school year begins, kindergarten registration is in full swing at Everett elementary schools.

Children who will be five years old by August 31 are eligible to begin kindergarten in September. To ensure that there are enough teachers and classrooms ready for next year's youngest students, district elementary schools are registering kindergarten students now for the next school year.

Full information about registration is available at neighborhood schools or by calling 425-385-4000. Students who are not five years old by the end of August, but who will be five by October 31, might be eligible for kindergarten through the Early Entrance Program. <u>Early Entrance Program Information</u> also available at each neighborhood elementary school office, or at 425-385-4033.

Tuition-based, <u>all-day kindergarten</u> for 2007-08 is available at Cedar Wood, Jackson, Jefferson, Monroe, Mill Creek, PennyCreek, Silver Firs, View Ridge, Whittier, Woodside and Forest View elementary schools. All-day kindergarten starting and ending times coincide with the schedule for first-through fifth-grade students at each school. The curriculum is the same as the half-day program but includes additional learning opportunities.

To learn which elementary school is a new kindergarten student's neighborhood school, call the transportation department at 425-385-4144.

When you register, please bring:

- · Identification and proof of immunization
- · Birth certificate
- · Utility bill or rental agreement confirming the child's residential address