

Kindergarten Registration

For the 2010-2011 School Year

Thursday, April 22, 2010

9am - 4pm

Parents,

Please bring your child, their birth certificate, social security number, immunization record and report of physical examination. Forms to obtain these records will be available at the school. All forms must be completed and returned to the school by July 30 before a child can begin school.

While parents complete registration forms their child will be screened to determine their current academic readiness. The kindergarten screening is a chance for one of our experienced kindergarten teachers to work with your child, assessing pre-kindergarten academic skills, and learning personality characteristics. We can do a better job in the fall of teaching each child well when we know who is shy and who is outgoing, who needs work on shapes and numbers and who is reading proficiently, who speaks confidently and who is just learning to write his or her name. We will share the feedback from the screening with you as you continue to work with your child in the several months before school starts in the fall.

Criteria for students entering Kindergarten for the 2010-2011 school year:

A child who will reach his or her fifth birthday on or before September 30, 2010 shall be eligible for enrollment in kindergarten. A child who reaches his or her fifth birthday after September 30, 2010 shall not be eligible for enrollment in kindergarten if the child fails to score 90 points or more of the maximum 100 points possible on the Albert H. Brigrance K and 1 Screen for Kindergarten and First Grade, or if the principal, in his sole discretion, believes the child is not ready to begin school based on a parent interview, child interview and/or observation of the child. The superintendent shall disseminate information received from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction concerning the advisability of school attendance for children in this age range and concerning ages when children are required or eligible to attend school. This information shall be disseminated to parents of such children upon or prior to enrollment of such children in the public schools of the division."

Please contact Jennifer Reynolds, School Secretary, at jenreynolds@bedford.k12.va.us for more information. We also ask that you contact her to let us know you have a child entering Kindergarten at Thomas Jefferson Elementary School for the 2010-2011 school year. This will assist us in preparing for this exciting day.

We look forward to working with you in the upcoming months!

Sincerely,
Andy Greenough, Principal