



## USD 290 Early Childhood Program

We are currently accepting applications for the 2023-2024 school year for our Early Childhood Programs at Garfield, Lincoln and Sunflower elementary schools.

If your child will be 3 or 4 (and not older than 5) by August 31, 2023, please call 785.229.8110 to sign up your child for our August Preschool Round-Up.

### Preschool Program Information

- Our students are served at each grade school in blended classrooms which contain:
  - o **Early Childhood Special Education:** Our Early Childhood Special Education programs serve children who demonstrate a significant delay in one or more areas of development (cognition, motor, social, communication, adaptive). There is no tuition for students qualifying for these services.
  - o **At-Risk Preschool:** Free preschool is also available for children who meet certain At-Risk criteria (teen parent, free lunch, parents speak a language other than English, single parent families, migrant status, child in foster care, child is homeless, parent lacks a high school diploma/GED).
  - o **Fee-Based Preschool:** Children who do not meet the criteria above for free preschool may enroll to be a peer model student and pay monthly tuition. Enrollment will be allowed based upon availability.



## **Tuition**

- Special Education and At-Risk Students – free tuition
- Peer Model Students - \$112 per month
  - If student qualifies for reduced lunch, tuition is \$56 per month

## **USD 290 Preschool Eligibility Requirements**

- Child must be 3 or 4 by August 31 of that school year to enroll.
- Child must be a resident of Ottawa, Kansas and live within the boundary lines for USD 290 School District to enroll.

## **Enrollment**

The District holds a Preschool Round-Up in the spring and summer, along with monthly Developmental Screenings throughout the school year. To enroll, a child must meet our eligibility requirements, and attend either a Preschool Round-Up or one of our monthly preschool screenings.

- Preschool Round-Ups are held every spring and summer for the following school year and those dates will be posted to the school's website each year.
- If enrolling after the beginning of the school year, parents must schedule a Comprehensive Developmental Screening appointment in order to enroll (unless coming from Tiny K). The District holds monthly Comprehensive Developmental Screenings for children ages 3 to 4 years old by appointment throughout the school year on the second Friday of each month. Parents should contact the USD 290 Central Office at 785-229-8110 to schedule a screening.

## **Documents Needed for Enrollment**

- Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card
- Immunization Records
- Current Physical Examination

## **Preschool Class Times**

**3's AM Class** – 7:50 to 10:50 Monday-Thursday / 7:50 to 9:30 Friday  
(includes time for breakfast)

**4's PM Class** – 12:20 to 3:20 Monday-Thursday / 12:20 to 2:00 Friday  
(includes time for lunch)