Frequently Asked Questions for Grades K-6 Registration

My child just misses the October 1st Kindergarten cutoff. Can I register my child anyway?

Our Board of Education policy mandates that we adhere to the October 1st deadline. There are no exceptions.

When does registration for Kindergarten begin?

Our Kindergarten registration begins in January. Check the website riveredgeschools.org for important dates and steps needed to register your child.

What if I cannot bring ALL the required documents for registration?

If you are unable to provide all required documents on the day of kindergarten registration, please submit them ASAP by emailing Cynthia Sherlock, who is the District Registrar. Her email is sherlockc@riveredgeschools.org.

What are the hours of the school day?

The school day is from 8:25 to 3:00 PM. Please consult your child's school website for our district calendar, as there are some exceptions, such as early dismissal days at 12:45 PM.

When is the first day of school, and what is on the district website?

Our district calendar is posted on our website, available here. The 2026-2027 district calendar will be posted later this winter. Visit this site frequently for the latest information regarding each school, as well as links to our Parent Teacher Organizations (PTOs) and community resources.

Can I request a specific teacher for my child?

Many factors go into creating a well-balanced classroom. We are unable to grant

special requests, and parents are discouraged from making such requests.

Do I have to use the physical form on your website?

A generic form from your Doctor's office **or** our form may be submitted.

My child's physical is scheduled soon after I register. Should I wait to submit the required information?

Upon registering your child, you are asked to submit your child's latest physical and immunization records. The updated records can be turned in after your child's doctor visit. Please provide the nurse with the scheduled date for your upcoming appointment.

Are there any screenings done before school starts?

Yes, we will host a Kindergarten Screening Session in early June. Information is forthcoming.

My child has special needs. Can you accommodate them?

We have a Child Study Team who can assist you. The Child Study Team can be reached directly at 201-261-1993.

How is it determined which school my child will attend for kindergarten?

In September of 2026, Kindergarten students will attend their local elementary school, either Cherry Hill School or Roosevelt School, based on their home address.

What is a Parent Information Session?

This informational event is for parents to learn more about the details of your child's day, pickup and drop-off procedures, and to tour our buildings. They are typically held in the morning hours of the summer. If you are unable to attend for any reason, a copy of the presentation can be found on our website under your child's school's Quicklinks.

Will my child have an opportunity to meet with their teacher before the first day of school?

All kindergarten students will be invited to a "Meet and Greet" before the first day of school. At this time, they will join their classmates in meeting their new teacher and will view their classroom.

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Do you provide before and after-care for my child?

Alphabest is an independent organization unrelated to River Edge Schools. They offer care for your child before and after school. You can contact them here for more information on the program.

How can I volunteer in my child's school?

Our Parent Teacher Organizations (PTOs) are active in both schools. There are many ways you can volunteer, depending on your level of commitment.