

GCCISD Expands Pre-K Program

To meet the academic needs of our students, Goose Creek CISD is expanding its pre-kindergarten (pre-k) program. All District elementary schools will provide pre-k services, and cluster sites have been identified for the bilingual pre-k program.

State eligibility requirements for pre-k include bilingual and economically disadvantaged. If a student is eligible for prekindergarten because the student does not speak and comprehend the English language, a Home Language Survey, proof of a qualifying score on an approved Oral Language Proficiency Test, and a recommendation for placement in the program by a Language Proficiency Assessment Committee (LPAC) must be on file. "Economically disadvantaged" means eligible to participate in the national free or reduced-priced lunch program established under 42 U.S.C. Section 1751 et seq.

"The state requires and funds half-day pre-kindergarten for students who meet eligibility requirements. The District will expand the program by providing extended day for bilingual students to provide oral language development (ESL services) to support transitioning our students to the English language. In addition, the district will expand the ½ day program for ineligible students based on proximity to economically disadvantaged status," said Dr. Melissa Duarte, assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction.



Keaton Corley registers for pre-kindergarten in Goose Creek CISD last year. Pre-k registration begins July 28 at Baytown Junior School.

Registration for the Pre-K Program begins Monday, July 28, at Baytown Junior School, 7707 Bayway Drive.

Dates and times are as follows:

Pre-K Only: Monday, July 28 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 29 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. **Open Registration** Wednesday, July 30 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Pre-K - 8th Grade: Thursday, July 31 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Parents or guardians must bring the following to register their students:

- Parent identification (TDL, ID, or passport)
- · Birth certificate (child's)
- · Social Security Card (child's, if available)
- Immunization record (must be up to date, and if the child is 4 years old, he/she must have had 4 year old shots to register)
- Proof of residency (current water, gas, electric bill, or lease agreement)
- Pre-k only Proof of income (must have four consecutive paychecks with the last one being July.) If you receive TANF or SNAP, you must have your current Notice of Eligibility Letter.

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