

2025-2026 Kindergarten Registration

Grainger County Schools will officially kick off our **Kindergarten enrollment for 25-26** school year on March 20. Children that will reach **five years of age on or before August 15, 2025**, will be eligible to attend Kindergarten next year.

In Tennessee, a child entering kindergarten shall be no less than five (5) years of age on or before August 15. However, a child does not have to enroll in school at five (5) years of age, but enrollment must occur no later than the beginning of the academic year following the child's sixth birthday. Kindergarten is mandatory for all students in Tennessee.

Our enrollment process is done online. **Parents of incoming Kindergarten students can enroll their child(ren) by accessing the online enrollment form on the Grainger County Schools system website (www.grainger.k12.tn.us) or the website of the school the child will attend.** Our system has four schools that have Kindergarten programs: **Rutledge Primary School, Bean Station Elementary School, Joppa Elementary and Washburn School.**

If parents need assistance with the enrollment process, they should contact the school where their child will enroll and attend. If parents prefer a paper form for enrollment or need assistance with the online process, they can visit the school child will attend between 3:30 and 6:30 on March 20.

After enrollment form is completed, parents should continue to check school websites periodically for updated information and opportunities that may be available for incoming Kindergarten students in the summer or at beginning of next school year. Once a family has completed enrollment form and provided contact information, they may receive follow up information from Grainger County Schools or school where child will attend. This information may be provided to parents by mail, call or text, etc. Parents can also call our central office at 828-3611 if they have questions.