First Class Pre-K Frequently Asked Questions

1. Pre-registration on the Alaceed site begins on January 15th. Any applications before this date will be deleted. When pre-registration opens, parents will choose “Pre-Register for 2024-2025.
2. All students wishing to apply for pre-k must apply at prek.alaceed.alabama.gov Placement is not guaranteed. Parents DO NOT need to apply at MCPSS until they have received acceptance (emails go out mid-April)
3. We do not accept 3-year-olds. Children must be 4 by September 1, 2024. The 3-year-old program is separate (part of the SPED/peer model program). Those children interview at specific schools and the schools determine who is accepted. Parents must contact schools individually to check for the specific process of specific schools,
4. SPED pre-k questions should be referred to Ashley Barnett ([abarnett@mcpss.com](mailto:abarnett@mcpss.com) or 221-1455)
5. Waitlists are numbered. There is a screening process and/or a random selection process that is followed. This ensures that students are selected using a fair/equitable process that follows both state (OSR) and federal guidelines (Title I). Students cannot enroll at a school without being on the list that central office sends to principals/teachers/registrars in April.
6. Students that live outside MCPSS district are not eligible. (Satsuma, Chickasaw, Baldwin County, Saraland, Mississippi)
7. For screening- parents MUST bring: the child, the child’s birth certificate, two proofs of residency, and parent ID
8. Students can screen at any site.
9. Questions can be sent to Aimee Steele at 221-5197 or [asteele@mcpss.com](mailto:asteele@mcpss.com) OR Erica Abrams at 221-5221 or [eabrams@mcpss.com](mailto:eabrams@mcpss.com)
10. Parents will want to follow the MCPSS First Class Pre-K page and <https://www.mcpss.com/pre-k> for additional information and reminders.

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| **Schools that Require Screening** | | **Schools that DO NOT require Screening**  **(Random Selection)** | **Schools that have random selection AND screening \*\*would advise these students to screen** |
| Booth  Burroughs  Calcedeaver  Collins-Rhodes  Council  Craighead  Dixon  E. R. Dickson  Eichold-Mertz  Fonde  Hall  Hollinger's Island  Indian Springs | Just 4 Developmental  Leinkauf  Maryvale  Meadowlake  Nan Gray Davis  North Mobile  Orchard  O’Rourke  Robbins  Spencer-Westlawn  Taylor-White  Whitley  Will  Wilmer | Allentown  Castlen  Collier  Dodge  Gilliard  Florence Howard  Hutchens  MGM Developmental  McDavid-Jones  St. Elmo  Tanner Williams  J.E. Turner | Council  Dixon  E.R. Dickson  Fonde  Meadowlake  O’Rourke |