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Dear Parents:

On Wednesday, February 7, 2018 registration will be held at Jerome Harrison School for pupils eligible to enter kindergarten in the fall of 2018. The hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. as well as evening registration from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Please note that it is not necessary for your child to be present on the day of registration.

In order to facilitate registration, we are enclosing the following forms:

1. The Permanent Pupil Registration/Emergency Information Form (to be completed by parent or guardian);
2. Parent Questionnaire (to be completed by parent or guardian);
3. The Bilingual Education Law Form (to be completed by parent or guardian);
4. The blue Health Assessment Record (to be completed by child's physician and the parent or guardian).
5. North Branford Health Questionnaire (to be completed by parent or guardian)
6. The Pre-School Observation form to be completed by your child's preschool teacher if applicable.

Forms 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 are to be completed and brought to registration. The Health Assessment (form 4) may accompany these forms if completed, or mailed at a later date.

In addition to these forms, please provide proof of the student's age (birth certificate or other evidence of age, as well as proof of residency such as deed to home or dated rental agreement, escrow papers or signed mortgage commitment, current utility or telephone bill, and/or notarized letter from landlord or owner acknowledging parent/guardian's and student's residence, which will be checked by the building principal or designee.

Connecticut State law mandates that all children be protected against Diphtheria, Pertussis, and Tetanus, Poliomyelitis, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, HIB and Hepatitis B, and Varicella (by immunization or disease documentation of Varicella), before a child can enter school (unless exempted for medical or religious reasons). If you are requesting exemption from immunization for religious reasons, please provide a notarized statement of the reasons. If you are requesting medical exemptions, a letter is requested from a physician. All documentation to be provided in accordance with Public Act No. 15-174.

Jerome Harrison School staff, including Kindergarten teachers, will review the parent questionnaire and will screen all children to assist in the planning for entry into Kindergarten. Parents will be assigned a screening date/time on the day of Kindergarten registration.

If you have specific concerns about your preschool child's development, please call (203) 484-1235, for further information or note your concern on the parent questionnaire.

Registration indicates that your child has been tentatively accepted for full enrollment to kindergarten upon completion of the following requirements:

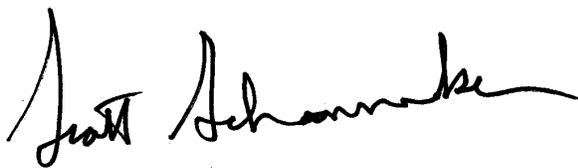
1. Child must be five (5) years of age on or before January 1, 2019:
2. The birth record or legal proof of birth has been examined by the principal or designee.
3. A physical exam completed after August 28, 2017. The physician and the parent must complete the blue Health Assessment Record provided by the school. This form must be filed with the school **prior** to the first day of Kindergarten unless alternative arrangements have been made with the building principal.
4. Proof of residency has been examined and approved by building principal or designee such as: deed to home or dated rental agreement, escrow papers or signed mortgage commitment, current utility or telephone bill, and/or notarized letter from landlord or owner acknowledging parent/guardian's and student's residence.

If, after registration, you elect not to send your child to Kindergarten, please contact the school office to complete a required form indicating your decision to opt out of Kindergarten at this time.

In the event of a school cancellation due to inclement weather, day and evening registration will be held on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at the same times noted above.

You will be notified during the summer of your child's class placement. We ask that you not request placement with a specific teacher, but if you would like, you may write us a letter to Beth Parker, Interim Principal, that describes your child's personality, strengths and needs, etc. This information will be considered in determining classroom placement. We greatly appreciate this input from you.

Yours truly,



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