

# Welcome to Kindergarten



**COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 15**

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# Welcome to Kindergarten 2024-25!

**NEW FOR 2024-25**—As a result of our successful Moving 15 Forward referendum, District 15 is able to offer Full-Day Kindergarten for the first time beginning in the 2024-25 school year.

Kindergarten is a special time when children are introduced to new learning experiences, friendships, and environments. We are excited to have your child start their journey here in Community Consolidated School District 15.

This booklet will answer general questions regarding kindergarten programs offered, enrollment requirements, how to register your child for school, important dates, and links to additional information to start your journey.

We look forward to getting to know your child and watching them learn and explore. Welcome to CCSD15!



# Kindergarten Programs Offered

## Full-Day Kindergarten

CCSD15's Kindergarten program is NOW a Full-Day model! Students will be fully educated according to CCSD15's traditional core curriculum and programming, preparing children for first grade and beyond. Our new Full-Day program will provide more time for math and literacy instruction, more time for free and purposeful play, and more time to build self-esteem, independence, friendships, and trusting relationships with teachers.

*District 15 encourages enrollment in full-day kindergarten for all students. For half-day programming, please reach out to your elementary school principal to discuss possible options.*

## One-Way (Spanish) Dual Language

CCSD15 offers a full-day One-Way (Spanish) Dual Language program for students who are native Spanish speakers and who qualify for language support services. Eligibility is determined via an English proficiency screening.

Students in kindergarten receive 80 percent of their instruction in Spanish and 20 percent of their instruction in English by a certified instructor. For each subsequent year, the percentage of instruction in Spanish is decreased by 10 percent. By third-grade, instruction in the two languages is balanced at 50 percent Spanish and 50 percent English.

This program is held at:

- Gray M. Sanborn
- Kimball Hill
- Lake Louise
- Lincoln
- Virginia Lake
- Willow Bend



Learn more about the District's One-Way (Spanish) Dual Language program at [www.ccsd15.net/One-WayDualLanguage](http://www.ccsd15.net/One-WayDualLanguage).



## Two-Way (Spanish) Dual Language

[Two-Way \(Spanish\) Dual Language](#) is an optional full-day kindergarten program housed at Jane Addams, Kimball Hill, and Winston Campus Elementary Schools.

Students are taught literacy and curriculum in both Spanish and English beginning in kindergarten and continuing through the completion of fifth grade. The goal of the Dual Language program is to develop bilingualism, biliteracy, academic achievement, and cross-cultural competencies for students.

Half of the students are native Spanish speakers and half speak English or another language. Students in kindergarten receive 80 percent of their instruction in Spanish and 20 percent of their instruction in English by a certified instructor. For each subsequent year, the percentage of instruction in Spanish is decreased by 10 percent. By third-grade, instruction in the two languages is balanced at 50 percent Spanish and 50 percent English.

## Dual Language Timeline

**January:** Online Kindergarten registration begins.

**February 1 at Jane Addams, February 8 at Winston Campus, or February 13 at Kimball Hill:** Interested parents attend an informational meeting about the Spanish Dual Language program.

**March 15:** Spanish Dual Language program letter of commitment due.

**April 22:** Families notified of Spanish Dual Language program acceptance.

**May-August:** Spanish Dual Language program placement continues depending upon availability; welcome meeting for families accepted into program.

If demand exceeds available space, a random student selection process will be implemented. Visit the Two-Way (Spanish) Dual Language website ([www.ccsd15.net/SDL](http://www.ccsd15.net/SDL)) for more information.

# How to Enroll Your Child in Kindergarten

To enroll your child in District 15, complete Steps 1-5 on the [Registration](#) webpage by July 1 to receive a classroom assignment. It is very important for families to register as early as possible. The district uses our enrollment numbers to determine staffing at each of our schools.

## STEP 1: Determine Eligibility

**To enroll in a District 15 school**, students must be legal residents of District 15. Proof of residency is required. Use the [Map My School tool](#) to locate your assigned school.

**To be eligible to attend kindergarten**, children must turn 5 years old on or before September 1 of the year of enrollment to attend Kindergarten.

## STEP 2: Complete Online Registration

Student registration begins January 30, 2024, for the 2024-25 school year. All families will need to register their child(ren) for the 2024-25 school year no later than July 1, 2024, for a student to receive a classroom assignment.

Please visit [www.ccsd15.net/registration](http://www.ccsd15.net/registration) for step-by-step guides, information, deadlines, tutorials, and links to additional information and assistance to register your child.

## STEP 3: Provide Required Documentation to the School

To complete Kindergarten registration, bring these items to your child's school during regular school office hours to complete the registration process:

### 1. Certified Birth Certificate

Children who are residents of District 15 and turn 5 years old on or before September 1 of the year of enrollment are eligible to attend Kindergarten.

Please bring a certified copy of your child's birth certificate (with seal) or other government document verifying date of birth. An official certificate of every birth should be on file in the locality where the event occurred. These records are filed permanently in a State vital statistics office or in a city, county, or other local office.

To obtain a certified copy of a birth certificate, write or go to the vital statistics office in the State or area where the event occurred, or visit the National Center for Health Statistics ([www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w/index.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w/index.htm)) for information on where to obtain an official birth certificate.



## 2. Proof of Residency

[Residency \(proof of living situation\) in District 15](#) is required for all incoming Early Childhood students, Kindergarten students, students new to the District, existing families with a lease, and families that are flagged by our third-party residency verification system to complete the registration process.

Providing a copy of a current mortgage or lease is a required step for registering or re-registering in District 15.

For the 2024-25 school year, in the case of a lease, please note that if the copy of the lease provided expires before September 6, 2024, the family will need to provide an UPDATED lease prior to the start of the school year to remain enrolled for the 2024-2025 school year. The lease needs to show that the family lives in District 15's boundaries at the start of the 2024-2025 school year.

## 3. Health Information

[Health, immunization, dental, and eye exams](#) are required for students entering preschool or kindergarten, sixth-grade, and for students who are new to District 15.

- **Health exam** dated within one year of school entry. The Certificate of Child Health Examination form is available online and in the school office. Please submit early to assure your child has met the health requirements and any health issues are planned for in advance of school entry. Submit completed health exams to the home school before the start of school. We accept proof of appointment for those unable to complete the examination prior to the first day of school.
- **Dental exam** dated within 18 months of school entry. The IDPH Dental Examination form is available online and in the school office.
- **Eye exam** dated within one year of school entry. The State of Illinois Eye Examination Report is available online and in the school office.
- **Immunization records.** We accept vaccine documents at any time upon registration. Please submit early to assure your child has met the State of IL vaccine requirements. The month/day/year and correct number of doses at the correct intervals must be verified by a health care provider. This is due before school starts.

It is recommended that families keep a copy of their child's health examination and immunizations for their records.

Parents or guardians who object to examination(s) or immunization(s) on religious grounds are not required to submit their child or wards to either, and must provide

a completed Illinois Certificate of Religious Exemption form signed by the health care provider. Please visit [www.ccsd15.net/healthexams](http://www.ccsd15.net/healthexams) for more information.

Per School Board [Policy 7:100, Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations, Immunizations, and Exclusion of Students](#)—Students who are not in compliance with IL student health requirements may be excluded.

**4. Home Language Survey**

A Home Language Survey is administered to all students newly registering in the district to help us determine if your child is eligible for language support services. Families will be provided with the Home Language Survey in their spoken language.

**5. Transfer Form**

If applicable, a student transfer form from the previous school attended.

**STEP 4: Determine Kindergarten Program**

Determine which Kindergarten program is right for your child—Full-day Kindergarten, Half-day Kindergarten, Two-Way Spanish Dual Language Program, or One-Way Spanish Dual Language (for native Spanish speakers).

**STEP 5: Pay Student Fees**

Kindergarten fees are \$180 per student for the 2024-25 school year. Fees are payable at the time of online registration. Please visit [www.ccsd15.net/StudentFees](http://www.ccsd15.net/StudentFees) for payment and fee waiver information.





## **Congratulations—your child is enrolled! What should you do next?**

Once your child is enrolled, and the school has accepted your registration, new families will receive information in July on how to set up their Campus Parent portal account. Campus Parent allows you to view your child's class schedule, assignments, attendance, grades, fees that are due, and more!

Please visit the [Registration webpage](#) for quick links to more information on:

- Campus Parent
- Food service and transportation
- Bus stops and pick up/drop off times, school start/end times
- Learning curriculum
- Individualized health plans
- Before and after-school child care options
- Inclement weather plans
- School safety
- School supplies
- Parent/Student Handbook
- Frequently Asked Questions



# Important Dates

**January 30 - July 1, 2024** – Register your child for the 2024-25 school year

**February 1, 8, or 13, 2024** – Attend a Two-Way Spanish Dual Language information night if you are interested in the program for your kindergartener

**February 15, 2024** – Attend a kindergarten information night at your school

**March 15, 2024** – Deadline to apply for the Two-Way Spanish Dual Language program

**April 22, 2024** – Parents will receive acceptance status notification if applied for the Two-Way Spanish Dual Language program

**July 1, 2024** – Online registration for 2024-25 ends. Student registration fees are due on this date.

**September 5, 2024** – Grades 1-8 First Day of School

**September 6, 2024** – Pre-K and Kindergarten First Day of School

Please visit the [CCSD15 events calendar](#) for more information.

## Tips to Prepare Your Child for School

- Speak positively about school so your child is excited about starting kindergarten and learning new things.
- Help your child be more independent with meals, using the bathroom, zipping jackets, and putting on shoes.
- Practice with your child to learn basic numbers and letters and how to write their first name.
- Encourage your child to express wants or needs and to be a good listener and friend.
- Review transportation routines with your child so they are familiar with how they will get to and from school.
- Make home a place for learning. Designate a spot to do school activities with your child after school.

# Contact Us



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## **Central Road Elementary**

3800 Central Road, Rolling Meadows IL 60008-2554

Phone: 847-963-5100, [www.ccsd15.net/CR](http://www.ccsd15.net/CR)



## **Frank C. Whiteley Elementary**

4335 Haman Avenue, Hoffman Estates IL 60192-1306

Phone: 847-963-7200, [www.ccsd15.net/FCW](http://www.ccsd15.net/FCW)



## **Gray M. Sanborn Elementary**

101 N. Oak Street, Palatine IL 60067-5246

Phone: 847-963-7000, [www.ccsd15.net/GMS](http://www.ccsd15.net/GMS)



## **Hunting Ridge Elementary**

1105 W. Illinois Avenue, Palatine IL 60067-6628

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## **Jane Addams Elementary**

1020 E. Sayles Drive, Palatine IL 60074-7274

Phone: 847-963-5000, [www.ccsd15.net/JA](http://www.ccsd15.net/JA)



## **Kimball Hill Elementary**

2905 Meadow Drive, Rolling Meadows IL 60008-1801

Phone: 847-963-5200, [www.ccsd15.net/KH](http://www.ccsd15.net/KH)



## **Lake Louise Elementary**

500 N. Jonathan Drive, Palatine IL 60074-4114

Phone: 847-963-5600, [www.ccsd15.net/LL](http://www.ccsd15.net/LL)



## **Lincoln Elementary**

1021 N. Ridgewood Lane, Palatine IL 60067-3448

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## **Marion Jordan Elementary**

100 N. Harrison Avenue, Palatine IL 60067-0913

Phone: 847-963-5500, [www.ccsd15.net/MJ](http://www.ccsd15.net/MJ)

**Pleasant Hill Elementary**

434 W. Illinois Avenue, Palatine IL 60067-6745

Phone: 847-963-5900, [www.ccsd15.net/PH](http://www.ccsd15.net/PH)

**Stuart R. Paddock Elementary**

225 W. Washington Street, Palatine IL 60067-6147

Phone: 847-963-5800, [www.ccsd15.net/SRP](http://www.ccsd15.net/SRP)

**Virginia Lake Elementary**

925 N. Glenn Drive, Palatine IL 60074-7189

Phone: 847-963-7100, [www.ccsd15.net/VL](http://www.ccsd15.net/VL)

**Willow Bend Elementary**

4700 Barker Avenue, Rolling Meadows IL 60008-3202

Phone: 847-963-7300, [www.ccsd15.net/WB](http://www.ccsd15.net/WB)

**Winston Campus Elementary**

900 E. Palatine Road, Palatine IL 60074-5552

Phone: 847-963-7500, [www.ccsd15.net/WCE](http://www.ccsd15.net/WCE)

**Carl Sandburg Middle School**

2600 Martin Lane, Rolling Meadows IL 60008-2722

Phone: 847-963-7800, [www.ccsd15.net/CS](http://www.ccsd15.net/CS)

**Plum Grove Middle School**

2600 Plum Grove Road, Rolling Meadows IL 60008-2042

Phone: 847-963-7600, [www.ccsd15.net/PG](http://www.ccsd15.net/PG)

**Thomas Jefferson Middle School**

3805 Winston Drive, Hoffman Estates IL 60192-1851

Phone: 847-963-5400, [www.ccsd15.net/TJ](http://www.ccsd15.net/TJ)

**Walter R. Sundling Middle School**

1100 N. Smith Street, Palatine IL 60067-2606

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**Winston Campus Middle School**

120 N. Babcock Drive, Palatine IL 60074-5599

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