

## Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) Information Packet

### Dear Parent/Guardian:

Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) is a program for four year olds that is available for residents of the Bloomfield School District. Participation in our UPK Program is not required for a student to be eligible for kindergarten the following year, although it is great preparation for Kindergarten. Bloomfield's UPK program is designed to provide an enriching, developmentally appropriate experience for four year old students. It helps prepare children to make a smooth transition as they enter kindergarten the following year. It is a half-day session with both morning and afternoon classes.

Eligible families are defined as those who:

- Live in the Bloomfield School District.
- Have children that will be four years old on or before December 1, 2018.
- If your child is eligible for kindergarten (four years old and turning 5 by December 1, 2018), they are not eligible to attend UPK.

Students will be randomly selected through a lottery to fill the thirty-six available UPK slots which will occur on Tuesday, April 10, 2018. A wait list will be utilized to fill additional vacancies as they occur. Please note the lottery results will not be shared over the phone. You will be notified by mail of the outcome of this process. Letters will be mailed by April 20, 2018.

**The deadline for application to the UPK program is March 30, 2018.** Only the completed application form is necessary by March 30, 2018. All other paperwork will be completed at a later date. The application form is available below.

There is no charge for the UPK program. UPK classes are half day, five days per week on school days. There are morning and afternoon sessions. Each session will serve 18 children. Transportation is provided one way (please see UPK booklet for more details).

We welcome all applicants for our UPK program. If we receive more applications than slots, the remaining applicants will be filled by lottery. All applications received **after** the deadline of March 30, 2018, will be added to the end of the wait list.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the district at 585-657-6121, 4004.

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