February 3, 2020

Dear Parent(s):

Thank you for your interest in enrolling your child in the Garrett County Public Schools Prekindergarten Program. Your child must be 4 years old by September 1, 2020, to apply for the 2020-21 school year, and your child must meet certain criteria for enrollment. To help determine eligibility, please complete and return the attached questionnaire.

The application process for the Prekindergarten Program begins February 3, 2020. **We strongly encourage you to complete the Pre-K application at your earliest convenience.** Upon completion of the application process, applicants will receive a letter with additional information regarding their application status.

Return the completed form with your signature to:

Your Local School or
Garrett County Public Schools
Attn: Elementary Education
40 South Second Street
Oakland, MD 21550

If you should have any questions in this regard, please contact Mrs. Penny R. Proudfoot, Director of Early Childhood/Elementary Education, at 301-334-7644, or Mark Greene, Administrative Assistant, Elementary Education Department at 301-334-8927.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Penny R. Proudfoot
Director of Early Childhood/Elementary Education/Title I
NOTIFICATION OF INTEREST FOR PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAM
2020-21 School Year

Applications for enrollment in the Garrett County Board of Education’s Prekindergarten Program for the 2020-21 school year that is currently operated at Accident, Broad Ford, Friendsville, Grantsville, Route 40, and Yough Glades Elementary Schools are now being accepted. If you have a child who will be 4 years old by September 1, 2020, and you are interested in enrolling him or her in the Prekindergarten Program, please complete the attached information packet and return it to the Elementary Education Office at the Board of Education building in Oakland, or to your local school. The Prekindergarten questionnaire is the official application form and will ask specific information about your family’s income and your child’s developmental and health data. This information will be used to determine your child’s eligibility for the Prekindergarten Program.

Enrollment information concerning the Prekindergarten Program can be obtained from Mrs. Penny R. Proudfoot, Director of Early Childhood/Elementary Education at 301-334-7644, or Mr. Mark Greene, Administrative Assistant Elementary Education Department at 301-334-8927.

Please note:

The Prekindergarten Program is a needs-based program funded through the Maryland State Department of Education. Enrollment is determined by the following criteria:

1. Those students who qualify for the free and/or reduced meals program;
2. Those students who have a documented need and live within the school’s attendance area;
3. Those students who have no documented need but live within the school’s attendance area;
4. Those students who have a documented need but live outside the school’s attendance area; and,
5. Those students who have no documented need and live outside the school’s attendance area.

Updated: 10/14 based on PS JEBA Criteria and Guidelines
Prekindergarten Notification of Interest
2020-21 School Year

Child's Full Name: ________________________________

(first) (middle) (last)

Birth Date: ___________________ Gender: □ Male □ Female

*(CHILD MUST BE FOUR BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2020, FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR)

Child’s Social Security Number (Requested): _______________________

Parent #1 & Relationship: __________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________

Mailing (if different): _____________________________________________

Phone: Home______________________ Cell_______________________ Work_____

Email Address ___________________________________________________

Parent #2 & Relationship: __________________________________________

Address: □ Same as Above __________________________________________

Mailing (if different): _____________________________________________

Phone: Home______________________ Cell_______________________ Work_____

Email Address ___________________________________________________

Child presently lives with: □ Parent #1 □ Parent #2 □ Other ______________________

Local School _____________________________________________________

Will you be making an out of area request? □ No □ Yes If yes, which School? ______________

Reason: □ Before/After school care out of home school area □ No Pre-K in my school district □ Sibling with IEP

Please return this form to either your LOCAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL or
Garrett County Public Schools
Attention: Elementary Education
40 South Second Street
Oakland, Maryland 21550

Email: mark.greene@garrettcountyschools.org or Fax: 301-334-7621
Garrett County Prekindergarten Program Questionnaire 2020-2021

I. Child’s Name __________________________ Date of Birth __________________

II. Household members and monthly income: MUST BE COMPLETED. APPLICATION WILL NOT BE REVIEWED WITHOUT THE FOLLOWING INFO:

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*Proof of Income must be submitted at registration appointment*

III. Check yes or no to respond to the following questions:

1. Is English your child’s dominant language? □ Yes □ No
   If no, which language is used in the home? __________________________
2. Is your child homeless or living in a shelter? □ Yes □ No
3. Has your child previously been enrolled in Head Start? □ Yes □ No
   If yes, which Head Start Center? __________________________

IV. Is the child being referred by another agency, program, or physician? __________________________________________
   If yes, check your response.
   □ Child Find/Pre-school special education
   □ Department of Human Services (DSS)
   □ Physician
   Referral information must be provided at registration.

V. Check any of the following “Emergency and Health Situations” or “Home and Family Circumstances” that you think have had an impact on your child’s ability to learn.

   □ Serious emergencies Specify: __________________________ □ Child abuse and neglect
   □ Hospitalization and chronic illness of parent/guardian □ Child’s asthma
   □ Drug/alcohol abuse of parent/guardian □ Child’s hearing problems
   □ Child’s birth weight: less than 6 lbs. or premature birth □ Child’s vision problems
   □ Child’s exposure to lead □ Child’s speech/language needs
   □ Child’s serious injury/trauma □ Child raised by elderly relative or guardian
   □ Death of parent(s) □ Child raised by one parent
   □ Long-term use of medications by child □ Child of parent(s) who may be adolescents is completing high school
   □ Child of parent(s) who is incarcerated □ Child who has been in foster care
   □ Child whose parent(s) did not complete high school □ Child with a sibling having a history of poor school performance
   □ Parent with emotional/mental health problems □ Child whose parent/sibling has a disability
   □ Child who is an educationally disadvantaged brother or sister of a previously enrolled Pre-K student

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that my responses to this questionnaire are correct. I consent to the confidential sharing of information with GCPS partner programs within the school, in lieu of filling out additional paperwork, if necessary. Should you choose to decline the sharing of such info, please check the following box. □ Checking this box may result in the need for additional forms to be filled out for participation in our partner programs in the future.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: __________________________ Date: __________________