

PRE-K PROGRAM

Celina ISD offers an all-day Pre-K program for *qualifying students.

Please note the following information regarding our Pre-K program.

- The Pre-K program is for qualifying students who are four (4) years old on or before September 1st of the school year in which they will be attending Pre-K. (Students who are 5 years old on or before September 1st will be enrolled in Kindergarten.) See qualifying criteria in the section below.
- Tuition spots are not available at this time.
- The program is a full day program. Students will attend school from 7:55 am until 3:25 pm.
- The Pre-K program will be housed at the Celina Primary School campus.
- Transportation is provided for those living 2 miles or more away from the campus.
- Breakfast and lunch is served; however, students may bring their own lunches and/or snacks.

***Tuition - Free for Qualifying Students**

Celina ISD follows the State of Texas guidelines by offering tuition-free Pre-K programs. Students must be four (4) years of age by September 1st of the school year to qualify and must live within Celina ISD school boundaries. In addition, the child must meet one or more of the following criteria:

Language Qualifier:

- Student unable to speak or comprehend the English language.
- Parents will complete a home language survey (provided by the school).
- Students will be tested to determine Limited English Proficiency.

Homeless Qualifier:

- Student is homeless.
- Parents must complete the required McKinney-Vento Act form provided by the district.

Foster Care Qualifier:

- Is the child in foster care or has the child ever been in foster care.
- Must provide verification letter of Pre-K eligibility from the DFPS.

Star of Texas Award Qualifiers:

- The child's parent is a peace officer, firefighter, or emergency medical first responder who is eligible for the Star of Texas Award.
- Must provide copy of the resolution (certificate) awarded to the parent of the child.

Income Qualifier:

- Student is educationally disadvantaged.
- Parents will need to provide a copy of their W-2 forms and two most recent pay stubs, or
- Current tax return if self-employed, or
- Current TANF or SNAP eligibility letter.
- Chart below effective **7/1/20 – 6/30/21 (updated May 2020)**

Family Size	Annually	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Bi-Weekly	Weekly
1	\$23,107	\$1926	\$963	\$889	\$445
2	\$31,284	\$2607	\$1304	\$1204	\$602
3	\$39,461	\$3289	\$1645	\$1518	\$759
4	\$47,638	\$3970	\$1985	\$1833	\$917
5	\$55,815	\$4652	\$2326	\$2147	\$1074
6	\$63,992	\$5333	\$2667	\$2462	\$1231
7	\$72,169	\$6015	\$3008	\$2776	\$1388
8	\$80,346	\$6696	\$3348	\$3091	\$1546
For each additional family member add:	+\$8177	+\$682	+\$341	+\$315	+\$158

Military Qualifiers:

- Is the child or stepchild of an active-duty member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserved component of the armed forces, who is ordered to active duty by proper authority, or
- Is the child or stepchild of a member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserved component of the armed forces, who was injured or killed while serving on active duty.
- Documentation must be one the following: verification of US Department of Defense photo ID, statement of service, copy of death certificate, copy of Purple Heart orders, copy of official letter from commander, copy of a letter from US Department of Veteran’s Affairs, or documentation that service member is MIA.

In addition to completing new student registration forms, the following documents will be needed in order to register:

- Copy of Certified Birth Certificate or passport (not hospital certificate)
- Copy of Social Security Card – *optional*. If social security number is not available, the student will be assigned a state identification number.
- Proof of Residence - Copy of utility bill, rental or lease agreement. For more information on Proof of Residence, please see below.
- Copy of parent/guardian government issued photo ID (driver's license or picture ID)
- Copy of Immunization Records (all shots must be current to register)
- Proper documentation for qualifying for tuition-free pre-kindergarten