

Online Registration for new kindergartners is now open!



Who: Parents or guardians of rising kindergartners— children who will be five years old on or before **September 1, 2021**.

What: Register your child for the 2021-22 school year in an easy, two-step process.

When: **April 6 to May 28** (Online registration begins **April 6**, and local school registration appointments will be available from **April 12 to May 28**.)

Why: Completing online registration will help us be ready to welcome your kindergartner and make sure your child is eligible for summer enrichment activities.

How: Much of the registration process, including the uploading of documents needed for registration, will be completed online. Most document attachments (PDF, JPG, DOC, PNG, etc.) are compatible. The file-size limit is 2 MB.

Where: **Step 1**—Complete online registration on the GCPS website, starting Tuesday, **April 6**. (<http://bit.ly/GCPS21Kregis>)

Step 2—Between **April 12** and **May 28**, schedule an appointment with your child’s new school to verify information, complete a kindergarten readiness profile, pick up materials to help prepare your child for school, and learn about exciting summer enrichment opportunities for your new kindergartner! Check the website of your child’s new school to learn more. If you’re not sure which school your child will attend, go to “Find My School” on the district website.

You should begin online registration now, even if your child's health records are not up to date. Be sure to complete your child's health screening and immunizations with the Health Department or your physician before school starts on August 4.

What You Need for Online Registration

- **An official document showing proof of birth date.** Examples include an original birth certificate or birth registration, an official state or federal form with date of birth, or passport. Parents can order a birth certificate for a child born in Georgia through the state’s ROVER service for a fee. <http://gta.georgia.gov/rover>
- **Proof of residency in attendance zone.** The school requires proof of residency, which may be verified by presenting a current utility bill (excluding telephone bills) AND one of the following documents: a non-contingent sales contract, current lease/rental agreement, most recent income tax return, current paycheck stub, current residential property tax statement or bill, current warranty or quitclaim deed, current home purchase agreement, or current homeowner’s insurance policy. Documents presented for residency verification must include the same address as the accompanying utility bill. An exception: A deed without an address is acceptable if accompanied by two utility bills (excluding telephone bills) with same address in the attendance zone. A contingency contract is not acceptable. If you live with a friend or family member and need information about verifying your residency, call your local school.
- **A Georgia certificate of immunization.** By state law, a valid Georgia Certificate of Immunization (Department of Public Health Form #3231) or a notarized Affidavit of Religious Exemption (Department of Public Health Form #2208, available from the school) is required for enrollment. The certificate of immunization must be completed by the health department or your healthcare provider. A valid Form #3231 must be marked with either “Date of Expiration” or as “Complete for School Attendance.” (A certificate marked with a “Date of Expiration” expires on the date indicated.
- **A current certificate must be submitted within 30 days of expiration.)** A medical exemption, if applicable, should be noted on Form #3231 with a current date of expiration.
- **Evidence of Vision, Hearing, Dental, and Nutrition Screening** obtained in the past year. This information should be on a current Georgia Form #3300 (rev. 2013), available from the health department or your physician and dentist and dated within the last 12 months. Letters from appropriate healthcare professionals and out-of-state certificates are acceptable, if completed within the last 12 months and stapled to the state form.
- **Proof of authorized person to enroll.** The following people are authorized to enroll students: parent (natural or adoptive), legal guardian, grandparent with a properly executed power of attorney for the care of a minor child, kinship caregiver with a properly executed Kinship Caregiver Affidavit, or foster parent appointed by a state agency.
- **A photo ID.** The person enrolling a student should present proper identification. This identification may include a driver’s license, a state identification card, a passport, or other official photo identification, such as an ID card obtained through an official government agency or consulate. During online registration, the photo ID uploaded in Step 1 should match the person who conducts Step 2 of the enrollment process.
- **The child’s social security number.** State law requires that schools ask for this number at the time of enrollment. However, students will be enrolled, even if the number is not provided.

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