

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) Kindergarten and Early Childhood Information

Additional questions may be submitted to <u>info@wcskids.net</u>. We will update these FAQs to keep you informed. **NOTE: PLEASE REVIEW THESE FAQs BEFORE SUBMITTING A QUESTION TO BE SURE THAT IT HAS NOT BEEN ANSWERED.**

- 1. How do I enroll my child online?
 - A. Please visit the Kindergarten website <u>at www.wcskids/classof2038</u> and click on the online enrollment link or click <u>here</u> to begin the enrollment process.
- 2. Where can I obtain the registration form?
 - A. The enrollment process is an online process; you can complete the enrollment process by visiting our website www.wcskids.net/classof2038. If you do not have access to an electronic device or internet access, we offer enrollment kiosks at the WCS Administration Building located at 31300 Anita, Warren, MI 48093.
- 3. How do I know what school is our home school and will my child be bussed?
 - A. Visit <u>locate my school</u> and enter your address. This will tell you the school your child will be attending and if your student qualifies for bus transportation.
- 4. What date is the Kindergarten Round-Up?
 - A. Tonight was our Kindergarten Round-Up event for the district. The presentation that was presented at the Kindergarten Round-Up and other information can be found at the kindergarten website at www.wcskids/classof2038.
- 5. Do both Kindergarten and TK programs go full-time 5 days a week?
 - A. Yes, both programs meet 5 days per week.
- 6. How is reading taught? What math curriculum is used?
 - A. Reading is taught through a balanced literacy model which encompasses the five components of reading instruction: phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension. Teachers engage students in both whole group and small group lessons with read-alouds, modeled reading/writing, shared reading/writing, guided reading/writing and independent reading/writing. The WCS curriculum is aligned to the State Standards and Essential Literacy Practices.
 - B. Our math curriculum is aligned to the State Standards, which incorporate the 8 Mathematical Practices. The curriculum includes conceptual understanding, computational fluency, and problem solving. The curriculum consists of number talks, math tasks and supplementary practice from enVision Math.
- 7. What are Transitional Kindergarten programs?
 - A. Transitional Kindergarten (TK) is a program for students turning 5 between September 1st and by December 1st who need additional time as they get started with their education. You can find additional information at our TK website (available at this link).



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- 8. If my child is in TK, do I still need to fill out all the enrollment paperwork again?
 - A. If your child is a current Transitional Kindergarten (TK) student, you do not need to complete the enrollment paperwork again this year and are already a registered WCS family!
- 9. If I have to put my child in Transitional Kindergarten as he will turn 5 in November, how long will he be there until he moves to a Kindergarten class?
 - A. Transitional Kindergarten is a full year experience for students. A child who enrolls in TK for the 2025-2026 school year will be in kindergarten during the 2026-2027 school year.
- 10. How would enrollment in TK differ for those out of district?
 - A. Out of district students would register for Transitional Kindergarten using our Schools of Choice option, which you can find here.
- 11. Do I have to be low income for World of Fours? My child's brother goes to Wilkerson and I would love them to be at the same school.
 - A. Not necessarily. The best option is to visit our World of Fours website (<u>available at this link</u>) to find out about enrollment options.
- 12. How do you ensure safety while at school?
 - A. In 2016, voters in our community <u>approved a bond issue</u>, which allowed our district to make upgrades to our facilities including secure entrances, additional video cameras, and other security updates. In addition, our <u>Director of Security and Crisis Management</u> maintains partnerships with local law enforcement and ensures our staff has updated safety protocols to ensure children are safe at school.
- 13. Are the preschool classes doing vision, hearing, or dental screenings this year as they have in the past?
 - A. At this time, the Health Department is not visiting the preschool classes and conducting the tests. Please reach out to your child's doctor or the local Health Department for additional information regarding vision and hearing screening. The Health Department provides this service free of charge by appointment only. For more information and locations visit the Health Department website here.
- 14. Can I use the results of a hearing and vision test that I received from the MISD when my child was 2 years old? If not, how do I go about scheduling a vision and hearing test?
 - A. Hearing and vision screening must be done within six months of starting Kindergarten, so a screening form when your child was 2 years old would not work. Please reach out to your child's doctor or the local Health Department for additional information regarding vision and hearing screening.