

Harrison Public School District Office of Special Services One North Fifth Street Harrison, New Jersey 07029 Fax: 973 735 5558 Tel: 973 483 2128

#### Project CHILD FIND

Project CHILD FIND is a free referral service and public awareness campaign to assist in the identification of unserved or underserved youths ages 3-21 who may be disabled. Preschoolers who demonstrate delays in the development of motor, communication, social-emotional or cognitive skills may be eligible for special education and/or related services. School-age students between the ages of 5 and 21 who may be disabled due to physical, sensory, educational, communication, cognitive or social difficulties may also be eligible for special education and related services. If your child appears to have one or more of the following signs, please contact the Harrison Public Schools Department of Special Services:

- Significant delays in acquiring language or significant speech problems
- Significant difficulty walking, running, or manipulating small objects
- Frequent health problems or disabilities present from birth
- Consistent trouble seeing or hearing
- Tendency toward temper tantrums or excessive anxiety/shyness
- Significant difficulty playing appropriately with other children
- Significant problems paying attention and listening

New Jersey's Early Intervention System provides services for infants and toddlers (from birth to the child's third birthday) who have developmental delays or disabilities, as well as support for the families. Parents who have questions may call 1-800-322-8174.

For children 3-21 years of age, the Harrison school district provides free appropriate public education (FAPE) for eligible students. Parents who have questions about the eligibility of their child are encouraged to contact the Harrison Public Schools Department of Special Services by located at 1 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street Harrison, New Jersey 07029, 973-483-2128, Ext. 5032. For further information, please see our district's special education website at <u>www.harrisonschools.org</u>.

# Project Child Find A Free Referral Service

# 1-800-322-8174

All Calls Are Confidential | Toll-Free

Do you have concerns about your child's development? Call us!



For more information about Special Education in NJ visit www.nj.gov/education/specialed

For children ages Birth through 2 years Contact the New Jersey Early Intervention System

888-653-4463



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### Harrison School District Office of Early Childhood Education

1 Washington Street Harrison, New Jersey 07029 973-833-8500

September 24, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to a new school year. We hope it will be full of new and wonderful experiences for your child.

The purpose of this note is to inform parents that we will be conducting a brief developmental screening for any child who is <u>new</u> to our program this year. This would include all three yearolds and any four year-olds just beginning pre-school with us. The screening is completed on an individual basis by the child's teacher. It only takes ten to fifteen minutes to complete and assesses each child's performance in several developmental areas. It is not a testing instrument, but is instead conducted by having the children play a few fun games with the classroom teacher. The results of this screening will be used to tailor each child's educational and developmental program for the current school year.

If your child completes this screening as a result of being new to our program, you will be notified. You may in turn request a meeting with your child's teacher to discuss the results.

We hope that you and your child have a very happy and successful preschool experience. Should you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact me or any Early Childhood staff member and we will be happy to address them.

Sincerely,

JoAnn Dignazio-Botch Director

#### Child Find:

If you are concerned your preschool child is developing or learning differently, you can call the school district to request an evaluation for preschool special education and related services. For more information call: 973-483-2128.

Si le preocupa que su hijo de edad preescolar se esté desarrollando o aprendiendo en forma diferente, puede llamar el distrito escolar para solicitar una evaluación para educación especial preescolar y servicios relacionados. Para obtener más información llame: 973-483-2128

# Harrison Public Schools Pre-School Programs 2021 / 2022 (*Free* to qualifying Harrison Residents)

### Why????????

- Free of cost
- Full day 9:00am to 3:00pm
- Five days per week (following District school year calendar)
- Standards/research based Curriculum
- Highly Qualified, Experienced, and NJ Certificated Teachers and classroom Aides

Harrison Public School district offers a research-based developmentally appropriate preschool curriculum. Our intensive highquality program includes all the essential ingredients for an effective preschool education such as limited class size, sufficient space and organized developmentally appropriate activities. It also focuses on implementing strategies to facilitate and enhance a child's transition to kindergarten and maximizes family involvement through a strong home and school.

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HOW DO YOU RECEIVE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAMS? Call the Early Childhood Department: (973)268-5851 HOW DO YOU REGISTER YOUR CHILD OR CHILDREN? Call the Residency Office: (973) 268-7825	Registration Requirements		
	PK – 3	PK - 4	
	Must be 3 years old on or before 10/1/20	Must be 4 years old	
	Must live in Harrison	Must live in Harrison	
	Provide Proof of Residency	Provide Proof of Residency	
	Provide Birth Certificate and Immunization Records (from doctor's office)	Provide Birth Certificate and Immunization Records (from doctor's office)	

# Harrison Escuelas Públicas Programas preescolares 2021/2022

## (Gratis para residentes de Harrison que qualifican)

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🙂 Gratis

Día completo 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

© Cinco días por semana (siguiendo el calendario escolar del Distrito)

Plan de estudios basado en la investigación estándar

 Maestros altamente calificados y con experiencia y ayudantes de clase en New Jersey Distrito de Escuelas Públicas de Harrison ofrece un plan de estudios preescolar apropiado para el desarrollo basado en la investigación. Nuestro programa intensivo de alta calidad incluye todos los ingredientes esenciales para una educación preescolar efectiva como el tamaño de clase limitada, espacio suficiente y organizado actividades apropiadas para el desarrollo. Nuestro programa también maximiza la participación de la familia a través de una

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¿CÓMO PUEDO RECIBIR MÁS		
INFORMACIÓN SOBRE LOS PROGRAMAS PRE- ESCOLAR : Llame al Departamento de la Primera Infancia: (973)268-5851	<b>Registration Requirements</b>	
	РК – З	PK - 4
	Debe ser de 3 años de edad en o antes del 10/01/20	Debe ser de 4 años
	Debe vivir en Harrison	Debe vivir en Harrison
¿Cómo se registra su hijo o hijos	Proporcionar prueba de residencia	Proporcionar prueba de residencia
Llame a la Oficina de Residencia:	Proporcionar certificado de nacimiento y la Inmunización Registros (de la oficina del médico)	Proporcionar certificado de nacimiento y la Inmunización Registros (de la oficina del médico)