



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Community Consolidated School District 59 offers the following kindergarten programs:

- o A full-day kindergarten program at all elementary schools.
- o Families still have the option of choosing a half-day (AM) program at their home school, but are encouraged to speak to school staff to understand the schedule and benefits of the Full-Day program before finalizing their decision. Half day programs are not available in the District Choice Programs (see below).

At what age is my child eligible to attend kindergarten?

- o In accordance with Illinois School Code guidelines, children must be 5 years old on or before September 1 to be eligible for kindergarten.
- o You will need to provide an original, official government issued (not a hospital issued) birth certificate or passport as required by Illinois law (325 ILCS 50/5, Missing Children's Record Act).

Can my child go to any school in CCSD59?

- o All residents in CCSD59 are assigned to a school based on established boundaries.
- o Some programs, such as the English Learner Program or Educational Life Skills Program, are only available at specific sites. Parents should still register their child at the assigned school or at the Administration Center.
- o CCSD59 offers other programs. One is the school choice program at the Ridge Family Center for Learning. The other is the Spanish Dual Language program. The Spanish Dual Language program operates on the traditional school calendar. Students attending Choice Programs receive transportation to the choice site, provided they are eligible for transportation.

How can I find out more about the CCSD59 Programs?

- o Information about the CCSD59 programs, including application instructions, is available in all elementary school offices and on the district website.
- o Interest forms for the Dual Language Program and applications for Ridge Family Center for Learning Programs are due on April 14, 2023. If the number of applicants for Ridge Family Center on April 14 exceeds the space available in the program, families will be notified and a lottery will be held.
- o Families who are interested in the Dual Language Program or Ridge Choice Program should indicate their interest when prompted via the online registration process.
- o If your child does not receive a place in a Choice Program, your registration materials will be transferred to your home school. This will not impact your class placement at your home school.



When and where can I register my child?

- o Registration begins at all elementary schools beginning on March 6, 2023, and can be done online or at the appropriate school by appointment only. Please contact your school’s office for additional information and to schedule a date and time that works for you if needed, or visit ccsd59.org/registration.
- o During the summer, new student registrations will be accepted by appointment only at the Administration Center (1001 Leicester Road, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007) on Monday – Thursday. Please call (847) 593-4300 to schedule an appointment if you are registering your child while school buildings are closed over the summer.

How can I prove I am a resident of CCSD59?

Please note, a total of **THREE** documents are required:

Category A (1 document required)	
Most recent real estate tax bill	
Mortgage papers	
Signed and dated lease or letter from manager or proof of last month’s payment	

Category B (TWO of these documents required)	
Driver’s license	Current homeowner’s/renter’s insurance policy and premium payment receipt
Vehicle registration	Most recent gas, electric and/or water bill
Voter registration	First Class mail received at District residence
Most recent cable or credit card bill	Receipt for moving company services showing current address
Current public aid card	

What if I need daycare before and/or after school?

- o CCSD59 does not offer daycare but the local park districts offer before and after school programs at many of our school buildings. In addition, many local area daycare centers provide transportation to and from school, please contact your school for more information.

What happens if a language other than English is spoken in the home?

- o In accordance with Illinois School Code guidelines, if a language other than English is spoken in the home, your child will be tested for English language services. A certified teacher will administer the test and the results will be discussed with you before any placement decision is made.



Can my child ride a school bus?

- o Bus transportation will be provided if you live more than one and a half miles from school or if the route your child would walk is considered to be hazardous as defined by the Illinois Department of Transportation.
- o If your child qualifies for transportation, he/she will be expected to ride the bus on their first day of school.

Will my child need a physical?

- o Yes, all kindergarten students are required by Illinois School Code to have current (within the last 12 months) Illinois physical, as well as up-to-date immunizations *before* starting school.
- o Dental examinations are required prior to May 15.
- o Vision examinations are required prior to October 15.
- o All examination forms are available in the school office and on the [District's website](#).

What happens on the first day of school?

- o Your school will notify you of what to expect on your child's first day of school.

Whom do I call with questions?

- o The best place to call is your school.
- o If your school is not in session, please contact the Administration Center at (847) 593-4300.
- o You may also find additional information on the [CCSD59 website](#).