Kindergarten Eligibility

We are looking forward to having your child enter kindergarten. The following information may answer some of your questions and assist you in completing the necessary forms.

Children who become five years of age on or before January 1, 2024 are eligible for Kindergarten in August of 2023.

Registration Information

Students entering the Simsbury Public Schools must provide the following essential information before being permitted to register at any school in compliance with the Simsbury Board of Education policies and with the Connecticut General Statutes.

- **A. Proof of Residency:** With your registration, you will need to provide proof of residency with **one** of the following options:
 - One copy each of a current bill for **two** different utilities in your name at your Simsbury address
 - A copy of a current lease agreement for your rental home/apartment in Simsbury
 - A copy of a sales contract, dated within 90 days of registration, for your home in Simsbury

If you already have another child currently enrolled in the Simsbury Public Schools, you will not need to provide proof of residence again.

- **B. Birth Certificate:** Please submit a copy of your child's full-size birth Certificate (not a wallet-size card). If you do not have a copy of the birth certificate, you can obtain one in the town in which your child was born or the town in which you were residing at the time your child was born.
- C. Health Assessment Record: Proof of the following immunizations or disease, verified by a physician's signature or previous school record are required as part of the State of Connecticut Department of Education Health Assessment Record prior to school entry.
 - DTaP- at least 4 doses (DTaP) (the last dose must be given on or after the 4th birthday)
 - Polio vaccine at least 3 doses (the last dose has to be given on or after the 4th birthday
 - MMR- 2 doses separated by at least 28 days, 1st dose on or after the 1st birthday
 - Varicella- 2 doses separated by at least 3 months, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday, or verification of disease
 - HiB- 1 dose on or after 1st birthday for children less than 5 years old
 - Hepatitis B-3 doses, last dose on or after 24 weeks of age
 - Hepatitis A -2 doses given six calendar months apart, 1st dose on or after 1st birthday
 - Pneumococcal 1 dose on or after the 1st birthday for children less than 5 years old
 - Physical examination within 12 months of the first day of school.

All school physical examinations must be given by one of the following professionals only:

- 1. MD (legally qualified practitioner of medicine)
- 2. Physician Assistant
- 3. Advanced Practice Registered Nurse

This is in compliance with the State Statute, Section 10-206, which further requires that the results of each health assessment be recorded on the Connecticut Department of Education Health Assessment Record (HAR-3) forms supplied by the State Board of Education.

Physical examinations are required for all incoming students entering Kindergarten and must be dated within 12 months prior to the first day of school.

Please note that students who are currently registered in the Children's Academy still need to register for Kindergarten, if they plan to attend.

Kindergarten "Meet and Greet"

Each school will hold a Kindergarten "Meet and Greet" program prior to the start of school. This program is designed to familiarize students with their teachers, classmates, classrooms, and the school environment. Your school will contact you with the details of this event once they have been determined.

Please return the completed forms and required information to Laura Shellman, Transportation and Enrollment Coordinator, at the Simsbury Board of Education, 933 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, CT 06070 or lshellman@simsburyschools.net, as soon as possible, **but no later than Monday, April 3, 2023.**

If your child's physical is scheduled after April 1st, please do not hold up the registration process. You may send the State of Connecticut Department of Education Health Assessment form at a later date—however, no later than the day before the first day of school.

If you have any concerns about your child and wish to discuss them with us, please call the school your child will attend.

Central School (860-658-4732)

Ms. Beth Hennessy, Principal Ms. Meghan Maurice, School Nurse

Squadron Line School (860-658-2251)

Ms. Meg Evans, Principal

Ms. Kristen Dombkowski, School Nurse

Tootin' Hills School (860-658-7629)

Ms. Anjanette Belmonte, Principal Ms. Ginny Durst, School Nurse

Latimer Lane School (860-658-4774)

Mr. Michael Luzietti, Principal Ms. Jamie Dagenais, School Nurse

Tariffville School (860-658-5825)

Mr. Steve Matyczyk, Principal Ms. Kathryn Rothstein, School Nurse

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