Negaunee Public Schools

FREE PRESCHOOL DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING

August 5th & 6th

Lakeview Elementary School ~ 200 Croix Street, Negaunee



~ Call to schedule a screening appointment for ALL children who will be 3 or 4 on or before September 1^{st} , 2020

~ CALL Negaunee High School at (906) 475-7861; press Zero (0) to speak to the secretary

~ Your appointment includes a screening for your child's preschool readiness skills in language and motor development

- ~ The screening should take approximately 45-60 minutes
- ~ Safety measures are in place to ensure the safety of all participants
 - Upon entering, please stand on the designated spots marked on the carpet, which are placed 6 feet apart
 - We will be asking if your child has recently experienced a fever or any COVID symptoms or if he/she has been in contact with a person that has tested positive for COVID in the last 14 days. IF YOUR CHILD HAS SYMPTOMS OR HAS BEEN EXPOSED TO THE COVID VIRUS ~ DO NOT BRING YOUR CHILD TO SCREENING!! Call Kellie Boase at (906)475-7843 and leave a message. She will contact you about rescheduling.
 - We will ask that you and your child wash hands upon arrival
 - Please limit persons attending your child's screening to only one person and your child (mom and child or dad and child, etc,)

- If multiple persons are NECESSARY, please do not move chairs, which are spaced 6 feet apart; if you have more than two people with you, please let the staff member working the registration desk know and she get you another seat that complies with the 6 feet apart rule; DO NOT BRING ADDITIONAL CHILDREN TO THE SCREENING
- All clipboards and pens are and will be sanitized after every use; be sure to hand them back to the staff member working at the registration desk
- Please use the pen we issue you as it has been sanitized
- Hand sanitizer is available at the registration desk for your convenience
- All chairs will be sanitized after each family exits
- You and your child are required to wear a mask upon entering the building and keep your mask on; your child will be asked to remove his/her mask during the speech/language assessment
 - A message from our Speech Pathologist
 - In preparation for this school year's preschool screening process, many precautions and modifications will be necessary in order to provide accurate and valid representation of each child's speech and language skills. In a typical speech and language screening in our district, articulation, language, and basic oral motor function are observed. As the speech-language pathologist, I have purchased masks with windows that will allow my mouth to be seen, in the event that any child is screened with a hearing loss that relies on lip reading for comprehension of language. It will be important that children, particularly at the preschool age, not wear masks when they are screened for speech and language so that I am able to observe the articulators of the mouth at work to determine if the errors are structural in nature (ex. tongue tie, dentition, tongue thrust, etc) or if it is a type of speech sound disorder. Sounds may be distorted through a mask which may lead to referrals for evaluations that are not warranted.
 - A tabletop, plexiglass shield will be placed on the table between your child and the therapist when your child's mask is removed to ensure his/her safety



SEE YOU SOON!!