# Michigan's Kindergarten

**Entry Requirements** 



















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Macomb Intermediate School District: Service, Support and Leadership

#### **VISION**

We are the Macomb Intermediate School District.

We provide quality service to special education and general education students, instructional and technical support to school staff, and cutting-edge educational leadership in Macomb County.

We are committed to all the students of Macomb County. To serve them well, we are resolute in involving parents, school personnel, and the community at large, including business, government, and civic organizations as active partners in planning, delivering and evaluating our services.

We work directly with individuals with disabilities who reside in Macomb County School Districts. We serve students of all ages, from newborns to adults, meeting their unique learning needs and supporting their families all along the way.

Within the twenty-one local districts and public charter schools, we focus our efforts on building capacity with school staff. Through quality training and instructional support, we increase their knowledge, skills and abilities so all students receive a rigorous and effective educational experience.

We promote all aspects of the educational process through our development and support of technology. We provide training in the use of essential technology tools that enhance curricular, instructional and administrative services in our schools and, as a result, opportunities are expanded for all.

We work collaboratively with colleges and universities and are leaders in state and national programs. We anticipate needs and opportunities, all with the single purpose of identifying, developing and implementing programs and practices that, through education, improve the quality of life in Macomb County.

The Macomb Intermediate School District (MISD) is an Equal Opportunity Employer. It is the policy of the MISD that no person on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, marital status, or disability shall be discriminated against, excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination in any program or activity for which the MISD is responsible. Inquiries regarding compliance with Section 504, Title IX, or the Americans with Disabilities Act may be directed to: Rosetta K. Mullen, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources/Legal Affairs and Coordinator under Section 504, Macomb Intermediate School District, 44001 Garfield Road, Clinton Township, Michigan 48038-1100, (586) 228-3309.

# Kindergarten Entry Frequently Asked Questions

The entry age for Kindergarten in a Michigan public school or public school academy gradually changed to require children to be 5 years old by September 1, rather than the current cutoff date of December 1.

Michigan joins the majority of states that require students to reach age 5 before enrolling in a public school and/or public school academy. The requirement was fully implemented in the 2015–2016 school year.

Kindergarten is a great opportunity for learning but is voluntary in the State of Michigan, meaning that kindergarten attendance is permitted but not required.\*\*

\*\*State of Michigan, 96th Legislature, Regular Session of 2012
\*\*MI Revised School Code 380.1147: Enrollment of children in Kindergarten

Question	Answer
What is the age my child must be to enter kindergarten in the fall of 2025?	Children who are 5 on or before September 1, 2025 are automatically eligible for kindergarten in the fall of 2025. They will count in membership.
<ol> <li>Is it possible for me to enroll my child in kindergarten this year if he/she turns 5 after September 1, 2025 but on or before December 1, 2025?</li> </ol>	Yes, you must inform your resident district in writing of your intent to enroll your child in kindergarten early. This may be done any time prior to the start of the school year. The child will count in membership.
3. Who decides if my child who turns 5 by December 1, 2025 is ready for kindergarten?	School districts may make a recommendation to parents about whether a child is ready to enroll in kindergarten, but the parent always has the right to decide whether or not to enroll their child.
4. Will these dates and rules change again next year?	The transition to the September 1st cutoff date for kindergarten entry age is now complete and dates will remain the same unless there is new legislation. Parents' rights to request early entry for children who turn 5 between September 2nd and December 1st will also remain in force unless there is new legislation.

## **Kindergarten Registration Checklist:**

Most districts begin to register for Kindergarten around **February** of each year for the following school year. Kindergarten Round Ups also take place around that time. The following is a general checklist that will make your registration process run smoother and help you be prepared when you go.

- Child's birth certificate with raised seal (pages that follow have more information)
- Child's immunization record (pages that follow have more information)
- Child's vision and hearing test results (pages that follow have more information)
- Proof of residency (driver's license and 2 pieces of mail containing your name and address utility bills work well)
- Health form (if required by district)

Please contact your district for other specific requirements they might have.



## **Obtaining Your Child's Birth Certificate**

Your child's birth certificate may be obtained from the county in which your child was born. Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties all have websites and contact information is listed below.

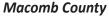
#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

Who can get a copy of my child's birth certificate? Anyone listed on the birth certificate or legal guardian.

**How much does it cost to get a birth certificate?** Fees vary from \$7.50 to \$25.

What do I need to request a birth certificate? A valid driver's license or 3 pieces of Identification.

**Can I request a birth certificate online?** Yes, many counties provide an online service.



120 N. Main Mt. Clemens MI 48043 http://clerk.macombgov.org/ 586-469-5120

#### **Oakland County**

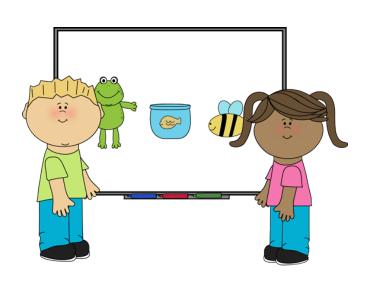
www.oakgov.com 248-858-0581

#### Wayne County

www.waynecounty.com

Child born in the city of Detroit 640 Temple St Suite 678 Detroit, MI 48201

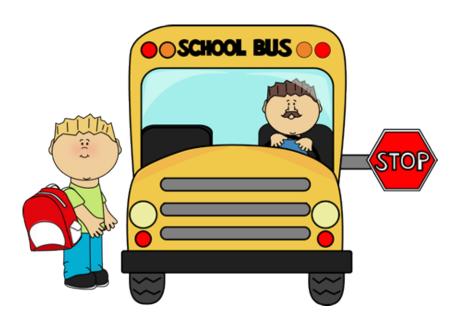
Child born outside the city of Detroit
Office of Wayne County Clerk
C/O Birth/Death Records Division
2 Woodward Ave Room 201
Detroit, MI 48226





## **Additional Tips**

- Make the call to your local school district early to obtain kindergarten registration dates. Many districts start registration as early as February.
- If before/after school care is needed, ask about the available programs. Registration for these programs is generally done in the spring BEFORE the school year begins. Spaces are limited and generally require a registration fee.
- Inquire about transportation will your child be bused or will you have to transport your child.
- Take your child on a tour of the new school. Ask at registration when this would be possible. Be sure to point out bathrooms, lockers, gym and lunch room.
- Visit the schools playground during the summer.
- Most of all, enjoy this milestone with your child!





Macomb County Health Department School Immunization Program 43525 Elizabeth Rd., Mount Clemens, MI 48043 586-466-6840

#### **Dear Parent of Future Kindergarten or Young Five Program Student:**

The State of Michigan requires children to be age-appropriately vaccinated to enroll in school programs, unless a valid exemption applies. Children entering Kindergarten, Developmental Kindergarten or a Young Five Program are required to have documentation of the following vaccinations:

- 5 doses DTap
- 4 doses Polio
- 3 doses Hepatitis B, or laboratory evidence of immunity
- 2 doses MMR, or laboratory evidence of immunity
- 2 doses Varicella, laboratory evidence of immunity, or statement of disease history.

The following resources are options to obtain the required vaccinations:

- Provider's office: Contact your provider's office for an appointment.
- Macomb County Health Department Immunization Clinics: Contact the location for hours and appointments. Appointments are preferred. Walk-ins accepted as time allows. For more information, please visit:

https://www.macombgov.org/departments/health-department/family-health-services/immunization-clinic

21885 Dunham Rd Clinton Twp., MI 48036 (586) 469-5372

27690 Van Dyke Ave. Suite B Warren, MI 48093 (586) 465-8537

25401 Harper Ave St. Clair Shores, MI 48081 (586) 469-5372

Ascension School-based Health center at the following locations:

Warren Mott High School 3131 E 12 Mile Rd Warren, 48092

Clintondale High School 35200 Little Mack Clinton Twp., 48035 (586) 558-8765 (586)790-4096

**Center Line High School** 26300 Arsenal Center Line, 48015 (586) 576-4038

Henry Ford School Based and Community Health Program Clinics: For locations and services please visit: https://www.henryford.com/services/pediatrics/community/school-based/centers

#### \*Non-Medical Immunization Waiver:

- Obtained for religious or other objection(s) to vaccine(s)
- Requires certification and education done in person at the Mount Clemens Health Department (43525 Elizabeth Rd., Mt. Clemens, MI 48043)
- Call 586-466-6840 for an appointment
- Walk-ins are not accepted
- Issued electronically and entered into the student's MCIR record, parents/guardians no longer required to submit a paper copy of this waiver to the school

#### \*Medical Contraindication Waiver:

- Can only be completed by a physician (MD/DO)
- States the medical reason that prevents the child from receiving a specific vaccine(s) for a specific
- Once completed by a physician, must be turned into the school by the parent/guardian

This Medical Contraindication Waiver and more information can be found on the Macomb County School Immunization website at: https://www.macombgov.org/departments/health-department/disease-control/ school-immunization-program-sip

Even with a valid exemption to a particular vaccination, a child is considered susceptible to that vaccine-preventable disease and is subject to exclusion from the school if an outbreak of the disease occurs.



#### **IMMUNIZATION CLINIC HOURS**

#### Appointments Preferred

Closed daily from 12–1pm. Appointments preferred. Walk-ins accepted as time allows.

LOCATION	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Clinton Township VerKuilen Building, Entrance G 21885 Dunham Road, Clinton Township, MI 48036 (586) 469-5372	Open 8:30am-5:00pm TB testing: 8:30am-5:00pm	Open 8:30am-5:00pm TB testing: 8:30am-5:00pm	Open 8:30am-6:30pm TB testing: 8:30am-5:00pm	Open 8:30am-5:00pm NO TB testing; reads only	Open 8:30am-5:00pm TB testing: 8:30am-5:00pm
Southwest Health Center 27690 Van Dyke Avenue, Suite B, Warren, MI 48093 (586) 465-8537	Open 8:30am-5:00pm TB testing: 8:30am-5:00pm	Open 8:30am-5:00pm TB testing: 8:30am-5:00pm	Open 8:30am-5:00pm TB testing: 8:30am-5:00pm	Open 8:30am-6:30pm NO TB testing; reads only	Open 8:30am-5:00pm TB testing: 8:30am-5:00pm
Southeast Family Resource Center 25401 Harper Avenue, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081 (586) 469-5372 OR (586) 465-8537	Closed	Open 8:30am-5:00pm TB testing: 8:30am-5:00pm	Closed	Open 8:30am-5:00pm NO TB testing; reads only	Closed

The Macomb County Health Department is closed on holidays & weekends.

For minor children and adults with guardians: A parent or guardian MUST be in attendance.

#### What to bring:

- Immunization records (if available) for all individuals being immunized
- Insurance card(s) for all individuals being immunized
- Valid picture identification

#### Costs:

- Cost varies for each vaccine and individual. Cash, check, or credit cards accepted. We cannot accept payments by Health Savings
  Accounts (HSA) or debit only cards.
- Medicaid/Medicare will be billed for approved vaccines. The Macomb County Health Department can bill some commercial insurances
- Adults and children who have no insurance or who have insurance that does not cover the cost of vaccines may be eligible to receive vaccines at a reduced cost.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call the Macomb County Health Department's Immunization Program at **(586) 469-5372** (Mount Clemens location) or **(586) 465-8537** (Warren location). You can also visit our website for information and to access registration forms at <a href="https://health.macombgov.org/Health-Programs-FamilyHealthServices-ImmunizationClinic">https://health.macombgov.org/Health-Programs-FamilyHealthServices-ImmunizationClinic</a>

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# **Your Child at 5 Years**

How your child plays, learns, speaks, and acts offer important clues about your child's development. Developmental milestones are things most children can do by a certain age.

Check the milestones your child has reached by his or her 5th birthday. Take this with you and talk with your child's doctor at every visit about the milestones your child has reached and what to expect next.



#### **What Most Children Do at this Age:**

#### **Social/Emotional**

- Wants to please friends
- Wants to be like friends
- More likely to agree with rules
- Likes to sing, dance, and act
- Is aware of gender
- Can tell what's real and what's make-believe
- Shows more independence (for example, may visit a next-door neighbor by himself [adult supervision is still needed])
- Is sometimes demanding and sometimes very cooperative

#### **Language/Communication**

- Speaks very clearly
- ☐ Tells a simple story using full sentences
- ☐ Uses future tense; for example, "Grandma will be here."
- Says name and address

## Cognitive (learning, thinking, problem-solving)

- Counts 10 or more things
- Can draw a person with at least 6 body parts
- Can print some letters or numbers
- Copies a triangle and other geometric shapes
- ☐ Knows about things used every day, like money and food

#### **Movement/Physical Development**

- Stands on one foot for 10 seconds or longer
- Hops; may be able to skip
- Can do a somersault
- Uses a fork and spoon and sometimes a table knife
- Can use the toilet on her own
- Swings and climbs

# Act Early by Talking to Your Child's Doctor if Your Child:

- Doesn't show a wide range of emotions
- Shows extreme behavior (unusually fearful, aggressive, shy or sad)
- Is unusually withdrawn and not active
- Is easily distracted, has trouble focusing on one activity for more than 5 minutes
- Doesn't respond to people, or responds only superficially
- Can't tell what's real and what's make-believe
- Doesn't play a variety of games and activities
- Can't give first and last name
- Doesn't use plurals or past tense properly
- Doesn't talk about daily activities or experiences
- Doesn't draw pictures
- Can't brush teeth, wash and dry hands, or get undressed without help
- Loses skills he once had

If you notice any of these signs of possible developmental delay, tell your child's doctor or nurse, and talk to someone at your local public school who is familiar with services for young children. For more information, visit nyc.gov and search for "Child Development."

Content provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Learn the Signs. Act Early program. For more information go to www.cdc.gov/ActEarly.



## Your Child's Growth Is More Than Physical

To learn more about development visit nyc.gov and search for "Child Development"



Hearing and Vision Program – Southeast Family Resource Center 25401 Harper Avenue, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081 Phone: 586-412-5945 Fax: 586-771-6705

#### HEARING AND VISION TESTING FOR INCOMING KINDERGARTENERS

#### Dear Parents/Guardians:

According to the Michigan Public Health Code (Act 368 of 1978), children entering kindergarten must have their hearing and vision tested **before the first day of school**.

Macomb County Health Department provides this service free of charge, **by appointment ONLY**, at various locations/dates from March – May. Please schedule your appointment now so your child will be prepared for kindergarten this fall. We do not offer screenings in June or July. Limited August appointments fill up quickly. If you have not arranged to have your child screened prior to the start of school, it will be necessary for you to visit your doctor for this service.

#### **Important information to know:**

- If your child attends pre-school in Macomb County, check with the pre-school to see if hearing and vision screenings have already been held or are scheduled to be conducted before the end of the school year. If this is the case, you will obtain the required paperwork for kindergarten entrance from your pre-school provider.
- If your child did not attend pre-school or was not screened due to absence on screening day at their pre-school, please call the Hearing & Vision Program at Macomb County Health Department at (586) 412-5945 to schedule an appointment. You will be notified of locations and appointment times when you call.
- DO NOT SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT FOR LOST OR MISPLACED PAPERWORK.
   If you have lost or misplaced your paperwork, please call the office to discuss your options for obtaining documentation.
- For entrance into kindergarten, documentation is required and provided by Macomb County Health Department (see sample below). Please put this document in a safe place until it is time for kindergarten registration.



Keep your yellow Pass/Fail slip in a safe place until kindergarten registration!

#### **HEALTH APPRAISAL**

Dear Parent or Guardian: The following information is requested so that the school can work with the parent to meet the physical, intellectual and emotional needs of the child. Fill out the information requested in Section II. Section III may be certified by the transcription of information from the certificate of immunization. The remaining sections are to be completed by a doctor, nurse and dentist. (BE SURE TO BRING YOUR CHILD'S IMMUNIZATION RECORDS TO THE EXAMINATION.)

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SECTION III - IMMUNIZATIONS Statements such as "UP-TO-DATE" or "COMPLETE" will not be accepted. Admission to school may be denied on the basis of this information.*								
VACCINES (Circle Type)	DATE ADMINISTERED  MM/DD/YYYY		VACCINES (Circle Type)	DATE ADMINISTERED  MM/DD/YYYY				
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(PCV7/PCV13)	2	4	*NOTE: According to Public Act 368 of 1	978. anv child enrolling in	n a Michigan school for			
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Information required for:

Early On - Hearing and Vision Status; Diagnosis; Health Status

Number & Street

Child Care Licensing - Physical Exam, Restrictions, Immunizations

**Head Start/Early Head Start** - Determination that child is up-to-date on a schedule of age-appropriate preventive and primary health care, including medical, dental, and mental health. The schedule must incorporate the well-child care visit required by EPSDT and the latest immunizations schedule recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, State, tribal, and local authorities. An EPSDT well-child exam includes height, weight, and blood tests for anemia at regular intervals based on age.

City

Developed in Cooperation with the Department of Health and Human Services, Education, Michigan American Association of Pediatrics, Early Childhood Investment Corporation, Child Care Licensing, Head Start, Michigan State Medical Society, Michigan Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons.

Telephone

ZIP Code