



SOLON CITY SCHOOLS

Steps to Kindergarten - 2020

Step 1: Kindergarten Information Night

Date: Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Time: 7 p.m. (doors open for check in at 6:30 p.m.)

Location: Solon High School Auditorium

- An information night to welcome incoming kindergarten parents to the Solon City Schools.
- Information will be shared with directions for completing registration documents **ONLINE** www.solonschools.org

Step 2: Kindergarten Registration (sign-up online for a time slot on the registration website beginning February 20 after Info Night)

- Wednesday, March 4, from 8-11:30 a.m.
- Thursday, March 5, from 8-11:30 a.m.
- Thursday, March 5, from 5-8 p.m.

Location: Arthur Road School Cafeteria

- A time for parents to turn in required registration documents and schedule a kindergarten screening appointment.
- Students must be registered during the March 4th and 5th centralized registration to be guaranteed placement at their home school for the fall.

Step 3: Kindergarten Screening

Dates: April 28 and April 30

Time: Scheduled appointment time made during Kindergarten Registration

Location: Your child's elementary building

- An opportunity for incoming kindergarteners to meet and work with kindergarten teachers at their new school.

Solon City Schools Elementary Counseling Department

Lewis Elementary - Daniel Geel (440) 349-8001

Parkside Elementary - Patricia Petrie (440) 349-7376

Roxbury Elementary - Paul Carlson (440) 349-8061

Online Registration for Kindergarten 2020 (PowerSchool Enrollment)

1. Parents/Guardians can access the online registration link from the Solon Schools website at www.solonschools.org
 - Hover over the Parents Tab and select the first option: Registration Information.
 - Be sure you select school year 2020-21.
 - Create a user account (the program will save your progress as you complete all required fields).
 - You must click Submit when you complete the registration.
 - Print a copy of required forms as noted within the online registration.
 - You do not need to print the entire completed registration.
 - Internet access and computers with printers are available at the Solon Library, if needed.

2. Sign-up for a time slot to complete the registration process and turn in required forms during the district's March 4 & 5 centralized registration. The Sign-up Genius link to reserve a registration time slot is posted on the Registration Information on the Solon Schools website at www.solonschools.org. You will be able to sign up for an appointment within a 30-minute window.

3. Bring the documents listed on the attached Registration Checklist. Be sure to have the Residence Affidavit notarized prior to arriving at your registration appointment on March 4 or 5.

Registration Checklist

The following items are necessary for each new student you are enrolling:

- **Birth Certificate**
In the form of: (Please provide 1 or more of the following)
 - Original/Certified Copy
 - Passport
- **Social Security Card**
- **Custody Papers (originals with court stamp)**
In the form of: (If applicable)
 - Guardianship
 - Custody
 - Divorce
 - Journal Entry
- **Medical Information**
In the form of:
 - Student Medical Form/Immunization Records
- **Parent/Guardian Identification**
In the form of: (Please provide 1 of the following)
 - Ohio Driver's License or State ID
 - Passport
 - Social Worker ID
- **Proofs of Residency** - Bring **completed** and **notarized** Residence Affidavit Form

Residence verification must be brought and presented to the Solon Schools' REGISTRAR at the time of registration as follows:

If you are the owner of the dwelling, any one (1) of the following items listed below is acceptable:

- Purchase/Construction Contract
- Property Tax Bill
- Home Mortgage Coupon
- Deed

(Real Estate Property Information can be obtained from: <https://myplace.cuyahogacounty.us/>)

If you are the **tenant** of the dwelling, a copy of your current signed lease agreement is required along with the name, address and phone number of the lessor.

OR

If you **reside with** a resident of Solon City School District, the owner or tenant of the property must ALSO:

- Complete a Residence Affidavit Form
- Provide one of the above proofs of residence as the property owner OR a signed lease agreement with you as an authorized occupant.

Acceptable proof of residency if you are residing with a resident of the Solon City School District:

- Paycheck Stub with Solon City School District Address
- Bank Statement
- Insurance Statement
- Any type of business mail address to parent/guardian - postmarked within 30 days.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION STATION CHECKLIST

This checklist is designed to help you through the registration process. *All forms downloaded from the Registration website must be filled out and turned in at the time you register your child for kindergarten.* The one exception is the Student Medical Record (physician's physical) which must be submitted to the elementary school ON OR BEFORE August 1, 2020. Please bring IMMUNIZATION RECORDS AND ORIGINAL BIRTH CERTIFICATE to registration. We will make a copy of those documents for your child's cumulative folder.

STATION 1 (Welcome & Copy Station)

You will get a blank folder to carry with you throughout the registration process. You will hand it to the Principal/School Counselor at the last station. Submit the following completed forms:

- _____ 1. Picture ID of person registering the child (e.g. driver's license). We will make a copy for your folder.
- _____ 2. Child's birth certificate (must be original), social security card, immunization records.
We will copy for your folder.
- _____ 3. Student Placement Card.

STATION 2 (Full Day Tuition Station)

In this area, you will provide your deposit for full day kindergarten.

- _____ 1. Deposit due for full day kindergarten - \$100.00. Make check payable to Solon Board of Education.

STATION 3 (Residency Station- please allow ample time so we can provide personal service to each resident.)

This area will be checking all forms and documents. In this area you will have an opportunity to speak to our Registrars and will turn in the following forms:

- _____ 1. Residency Affidavit and proof of residency, RESIDENCY AFFIDAVIT FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED PRIOR TO REGISTERING. You must also bring the acceptable proof of residency.
- _____ 2. If necessary, Custody form and copy of custody or shared parenting plan – we will copy.
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STATION 4 (Medical Station)

District nurses and health aides will be available for you to speak with. Turn in the following completed forms in this area:

- _____ 1. Student Medical Record (doctor's physical). This form does not have to be turned in at registration, but must reach the appropriate elementary school office by AUGUST 1, 2020. This form must reflect a physical done between January 1, 2020 through August 1, 2020 to qualify.

STATION 5 (Principals and Counselors)

The building principals and school counselors will be available in this area. Please turn in:

- _____ 1. Completed Student Placement Card.
- _____ 2. Sign up at this station for Kindergarten Screening time and date.
- _____ 3. Turn in Folder.

Kindergarten Readiness Checklist

Personal Needs

Without your help, can your child...

- ✓ use the bathroom;
- ✓ wash hands;
- ✓ brush teeth;
- ✓ use tissue to blow nose;
- ✓ button and zip up shirts and pants;
- ✓ put on and take off coat;
- ✓ tie and/or Velcro shoes?



TIPS TO DEVELOP PERSONAL NEEDS

- Create morning and bedtime bathing and tooth-brushing routines.
- Allow your child to dress themselves.
- Practice putting shoes on.
- Help your child learn to use their words to tell other grownups when they are feeling sick or hurt.



Social and Emotional Skills

Does your child...

- ✓ play well with other children;
- ✓ separate from a parent without being upset;
- ✓ share with other children;
- ✓ care about the feelings of others;
- ✓ follow routines;
- ✓ put toys away when asked?

TIPS TO GROW SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL SKILLS

- Give your child small chores to learn responsibility.
- Help your child learn to follow directions by giving simple steps.
- Encourage your child to share.
- Praise your child when he or she does something well.
- Provide guidance when your child is having difficulty.

Your Child's Development: Birth to Age 5

Your child's development in the first five years of life will amaze you. As infants, children babble, roll over and hold your finger. Toddlers run, help with jobs at home and can speak in sentences. By the time they are age 5, children dress themselves, tell jokes, play games with friends and write their names.

Each child will develop at his or her own pace, following predictable stages. Some new skills will develop earlier than expected, while others appear later. Each new step is a building block leading to the growth of physical capabilities and the ability to think, speak and interact with others. Listed below are a few examples of the skills commonly seen in children this age.

If you are concerned about your child's development, contact your child's doctor, teacher or nurse. You also may contact your local health department or school district.

What Children Can Do: Birth to Age 1

- ✓ Grasp objects with the whole hand
- ✓ Roll over, crawl and walk
- ✓ Point at people and things
- ✓ Babble, coo and begin using first words



What Children Can Do: 18 to 24 Months

- ✓ Say some two-word phrase, such as *More Milk*
- ✓ Play hide and seek
- ✓ Drink from a cup
- ✓ Put items in a containers and dump them out



What Children Can Do: 12 to 18 Months

- ✓ Play peek-a-boo
- ✓ Sit on your lap listening to stories
- ✓ Push and pull toys
- ✓ Follow simple directions

