

## PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

NEPN/NSBA Code: IDA

The Fayette School Committee (Committee) established a pre-kindergarten (Pre-K) program in the fall of 1998. The Pre-K program operates three full days a week during the school year. The program is intended to initiate socialization and readiness activities for children to adapt more readily to kindergarten. In some cases, a child may attend two years for gaining maturity and readiness skills necessary for early school success. In each case, the decision is mutually made with the child's parents.

Children should attend school each day that the Pre-K is in session. Parents may arrange an adjusted schedule through planning with the classroom teacher. Attendance is taken.

When the resident enrollment appears to be low, the Committee may consider non-resident students from surrounding towns. Each August, the Committee will consider its Pre-K population and any non-resident student applications. Enrollment for non-resident PK students will be based on the following criteria and priority order: a.) PK student has a sibling attending FCS, b.) PK student is an only child, and c.) all other non-resident PK students will be selected via a lottery system.” The Committee and superintendent will determine a daily tuition rate to be paid according to a schedule determined by the Superintendent.

These guidelines are devised to provide consistency with flexibility in the administration and governance of the Fayette Pre-Kindergarten program.

Legal Reference: TITLE 20A MRSA SEC. 4251, 4253, 5201.

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