Rockaway Borough School District

Lincoln Elementary School

December 18, 2023

Dear Rockaway Borough Community:

The Rockaway Borough School District offers a district-sponsored integrated preschool program for children who reside in our community. **Children must be at least 3 years of age by October 1, 2024**. The program runs five days a week with a morning session (8:35-11:10 AM) and an afternoon session (12:25-3:05 PM). These times are subject to change.

This multi-age program (ages 3-4) consists of general education children along with children with support needs learning together. This model provides children with the opportunity to grow and develop with peers of varying abilities in the area of social skills, play skills, language skills, motor skills, and early academic skills. A certified teacher and paraprofessionals provide instruction using the Creative Curriculum. The Creative Curriculum is a research-based program in which children learn through direct, hands-on activities during play-based experiences. This curriculum is designed for both general education students and students with support needs in multi-age groups. Placement in multi-age groups encourages children of various ages and abilities to progress at their own rate rather than according to age or grade-level expectations.

Enrollment for typically developing children is based on a lottery. The lottery will be held on **Monday, February 5**, **2024**. Students who are accepted into the preschool program will have priority enrollment the following school year as well.

Please complete the registration form found on our website under Preschool-Related Files. If selected, you will receive notification via phone and/or email to direct you to our registration portal.

Thank you for considering our preschool program for your child. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Principal

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