



Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program

WHAT IS THE UNIVERSAL PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM?

The Universal Pre-Kindergarten program is a free, optional, play-based 15 hour per week program for children who will enter kindergarten the following year. Through play, it helps support children to develop skills for a smooth transition into the public school system.

HOW PRE-K SUPPORTS YOUR CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT

Through play and structured activities, **Pre-K helps children develop:**

- Social skills & creativity
- Language development & problem-solving abilities
- Fine & gross motor skills
- Critical thinking & general knowledge

PROGRAM DETAILS:

- **Duration:** 15 hours per week
- **Location:** Licensed Early Learning and Child Care Centres across PEI
- **Curriculum:** Follows the PEI Early Learning Framework
- **Growth:** A Child Profile is created to track your child's growth and progress, and it is shared with parents, educators, and kindergarten teachers.

HOW TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR PRE-K

Already Enrolled in a Licensed Centre?

- If your child is already attending a licensed early childhood centre, it is important you confirm with your centre that your child is/will be enrolled in the pre-k program. Parents will only pay a portion of their regular daily rate.

Not Enrolled in a Licensed Centre?

- If your child is not yet enrolled, you can still join the registry for Pre-K by completing the registration process at EarlyYearsPEI.ca and contacting the centre(s) directly.

ELIGIBILITY

Your child must be four years old on or before December 31 of the year they start the Pre-K program