

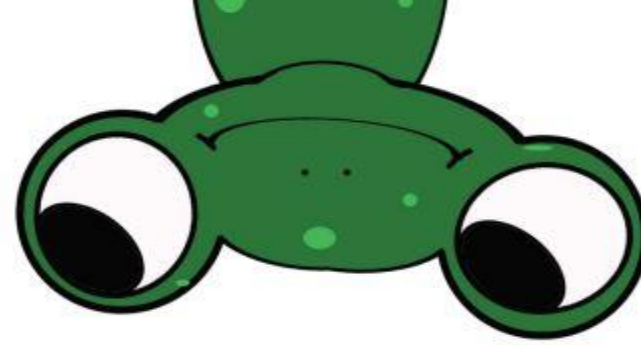
Let's Get Ready for
Kindergarten
with Freddy!



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Welcome Parents



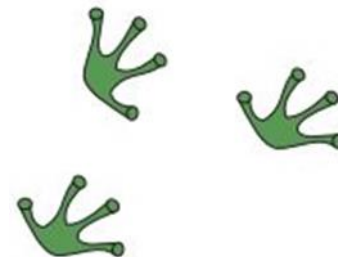
We are excited to welcome you and your child to Kindergarten! Freddy the frog is here to help you with steps and tips along your way to Kindergarten!

- ▶ Today you will:
- ▶ Receive information about what is needed to register for Kindergarten
- ▶ Explore Kindergarten Readiness expectations
- ▶ Learn about Pre-K summer opportunities and resources
- ▶ Visit a Kindergarten classroom



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Meet Our Administrators/ Contact Information:

Principal:
Amber Cronin

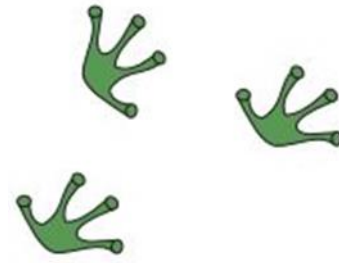


Assistant Principal:
Destony Cook



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- ▶ School Phone Number:
 - ▶ 813-744-8016
- ▶ Registrar Email Address:
 - ▶ Emily.Dilella@hcps.net
- ▶ School Website & Social Media:
 - ▶ [Lithia Springs Elementary / Homepage](#)
- ▶ School Hours:
 - ▶ Monday-Friday: 7:40-1:55

Steps to Enrollment



- ▶ A parent/legal guardian must complete the registration process and provide the proper documents to the school site where the child will attend.
- ▶ Your child can attend kindergarten next August as long as she or he turns 5 on or before September 1.
- ▶ Your child is zoned for a particular elementary school based on your address. Find your [assigned school](#) at [HCPS School Zones Locator](#).
- ▶ For parents who wish to send their child to a school outside of their zoned area, see our [choice options](#) at [Choice / Overview](#).



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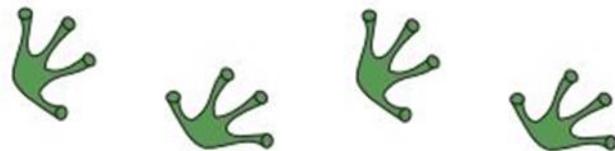
Documents needed for enrollment

► What forms do I need to compete?

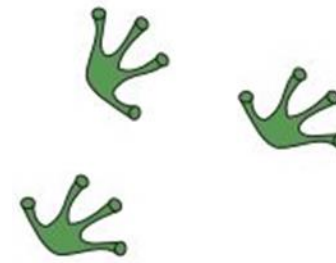
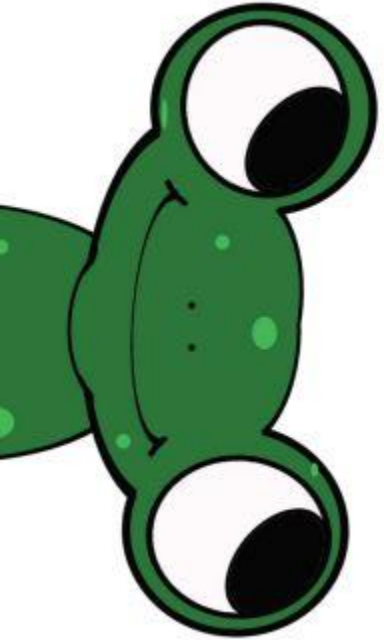
- **Student Enrollment Record Form** - SER (provided at the school site or electronically)
- **Student Residency Form** - can be completed ahead of time, supporting documentation is required

► What supporting documents do I need to register for kindergarten?

- Birth certificate and Social security card, if available
- Florida Physical HRS Form -- Florida Physical HRS form supplied by a doctor dated **within** 12 months prior to entry in Florida Schools (first day of school)
- Florida Immunization Record on HRS hard card (form #680) supplied by a doctor
- **Two forms of verification of address** that prove where you live but are NOT your driver's license or state-issued ID card (some examples are a utility bill, lease, or a contract to purchase a home)
- If a child lives with someone who is not a parent, you may also need to complete a student resident form, which is available at the school



Important Information



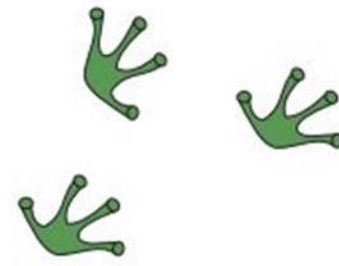
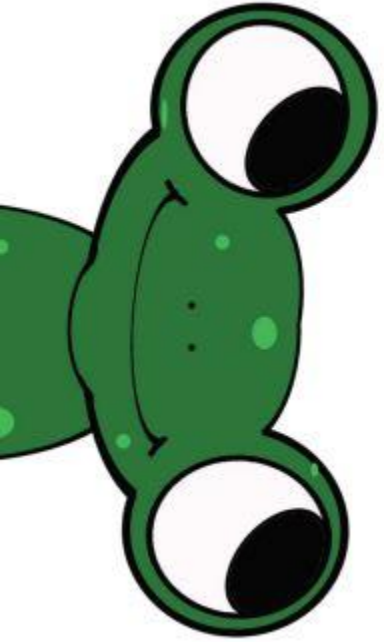
- ▶ **School Lunch Program**
 - ▶ Online Registration: [Student Nutrition Services / SNS Home](#)
- ▶ **Afterschool Care- High 5**
 - ▶ [Home - High 5, Inc - Education, Athletics, Community](#)
- ▶ **Bus (or Daycare) Transportation Information-** Will be updated for Meet the Teacher in August
- ▶ **Health Conditions-** Documentation provided to school nurse



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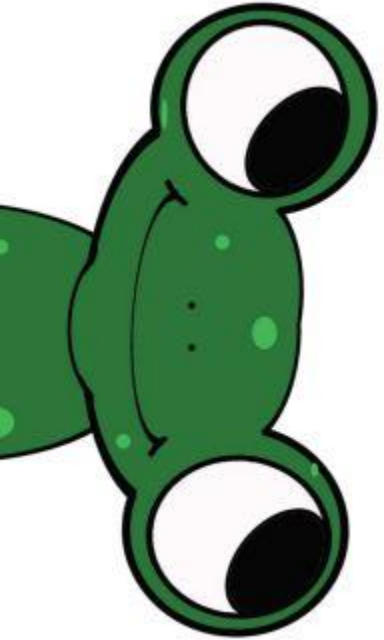
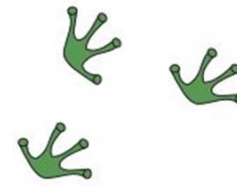
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Kindergarten Readiness



- ▶ Academic Expectations of a Kindergarten Student
 - ▶ Knowledge of letters & sounds, numbers, ability to focus on tasks
 - ▶ Plays well with others, shares, resolves conflicts with words
 - ▶ Opportunities to play with other children, sports, park
 - ▶ Throwing, skipping, monkey bars
 - ▶ Use pencils, pens, markers, cutting with safety scissors, tweezers, & buttoning
 - ▶ Self-control, avoids melt downs, able to wait for a turn, comfortable with new environments and with new people
 - ▶ Visit a variety of places like libraries, museums, future school
 - ▶ Prepare your child for the role of “student”
- ▶ Summer Programs Available
 - ▶ <https://www.floridaearlylearning.com/vpk/families>

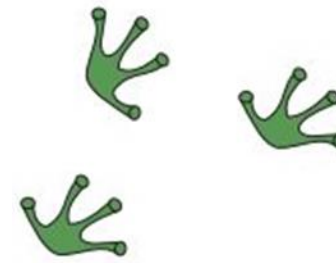
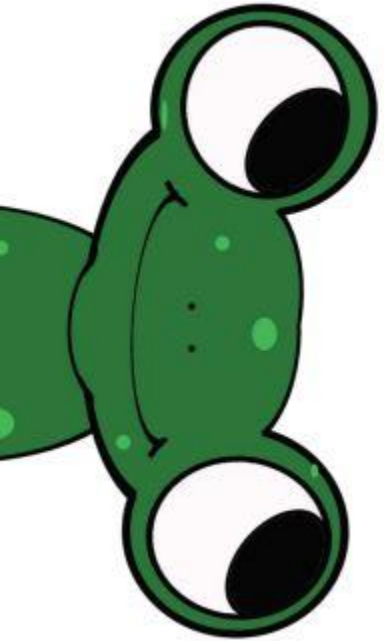
Resources and Younger Siblings



- ▶ **Florida's Division of Early Learning**
 - ▶ Development Standards document - Birth to Kindergarten: [Division of Early Learning - Early Learning and Developmental Standards](#)
- ▶ **Kindergarten Readiness Checklist**
 - ▶ <https://bit.ly/KindergartenReadyChecklist>
- ▶ **Florida's Division of Early Learning Monthly Parent Newsletters**
 - ▶ [Parents' Pages Monthly Newsletter](#)
- ▶ **Florida's Division of Early Learning Family Videos**
 - ▶ [Family Education Videos](#)
- ▶ **Head Start**
 - ▶ Head Start is a federally funded, comprehensive, child development program that encompasses all aspects of a child's development and learning. The program serves children ages 3 to 4 years old. Eligibility is based on income.
 - ▶ <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/Page/4779>
- ▶ **Florida's Voluntary Prekindergarten Program (VPK)**
 - ▶ All of Florida's four-year-olds have access to free, quality prekindergarten programs.
 - ▶ 4 years old on or before September 1
 - ▶ <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/Page/4780>



Resources



- ▶ **VROOM.org**
 - ▶ Vroom is a global program of the Bezos Family Foundation. FREE, science-based tips and tools help parents and caregivers give children a great start in life today—and an even better future.
- ▶ **PBSkids.org**
 - ▶ PBS KIDS is here to help no matter what learning situation your family is facing this year. Every week, we'll provide a new at-home learning topic with activities, games, and articles — featuring your favorite PBS KIDS characters like Daniel Tiger, Elmo, and the Kratt brothers — to keep your child learning through play.
- ▶ **JumpStart.com**
 - ▶ Readily available educational resources for parents, teachers and students make the process of learning and teaching a lot easier and more fun for everyone.



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Florida PrePaid Scholarship Drawing



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Questions and Answers



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