



## Frequently Asked Questions

### FAQ's

Is my child eligible for Kindergarten for the 2025-2026 School Year?

- If your child will be 5 by September 1, 2025, yes they are eligible.
- If your child turns 5 after September 1, 2025, no they are not eligible.

Can my child take the Assessment for Early Entry?

- Yes, you can request an Early Entry Assessment before June 4, 2025 by using the link on the registration page which will be available on March 14th <https://www.meridenk12.org/parents/registration>

Can my child retake the assessment?

- No, the assessment is given once.

How do I start the registration process for my child?

- Registration begins with an online registration form.

When can I register for the upcoming school year?

- The online registration link will be available the first week of April. When the exact date is set, it will be available on the district website.

Can I start the process before my child takes the Early Entry Assessment?

- No, you must wait for the Assessment results before registering.

What do I need to provide to register for Kindergarten?

- Please refer to the district website for a list of required documents.

Can I upload all of the registration documents?

- You can upload residency documentation. Additional paperwork will be provided at the registration appointment.

Can I schedule an appointment over the phone?

- No, you must use the appointment link that you will see when you submit the online registration to schedule your appointment.

Who needs to register my child?

- The parent/legal guardian with whom the child resides is required to complete the registration.

My work schedule is the same as the hours the registration office is open

- Registration is open from the beginning of April, please plan your appointment according to your availability.

How is my child's school determined?

- School districts are determined by the street address.

Can I request a different school for my child?

- You can request Out of District placement for your child through a process that will determine availability in the requested school. This information will be available at the registration appointment. The request does not guarantee placement.
- This decision is not made until late August.
- You should plan on your child attending their district school until you receive a decision on your out-of-district placement request.

My child and I reside in a residence that is not our own. Can I still register?

- Yes, please refer to the information on the registration page of the district website for more information.

My child resides in Meriden and I reside elsewhere. Can I still register my child?

- In specific circumstances, yes. Please refer to the information on the registration page of the district website for more information.
- Please note, per CT State Education law, this cannot be for the sole purpose of education.

My child receives special education services. How will this affect my child's placement?

- Your child's placement will be determined by the transitional PPT.

My child speaks a language other than English. Is there a language test?

- Yes, your child will be given a language dominance test.

Can I tour the school?

- There will be a preview week held the week before school starts for all registered Kindergarten students.
- There will be an open house at each elementary school. This is usually held a day or two before the start of the school year.
- If you would like to have a tour of the school separate from these events, you will need to contact the principal of your district school. These tours are given at a time when students are not in school.