

HOLLAND TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Holland Township Parents, Community Members, Staff and Faculty:

We are proud to announce that the Holland Township District has been approved to partner with the State of New Jersey to expand our high-quality preschool program. The district has been awarded \$535,032 through the New Jersey Department of Education Preschool Expansion Grant to offer free preschool to all Holland Township residents with children aged 3 and 4.

Beginning in January 2024, the District will begin to expand preschool opportunities for three and four-year-old students who live in the Holland Township School District. The District will end the tuition-based model for resident families with general education students, meaning families will no longer pay for children to attend the District preschool program. In fact, the District will reimburse families who have paid the District preschool tuition since September 2023. That means any Holland resident who paid the District tuition for the 2023-2024 school year will be refunded in full.

Currently, the District serves 37 students, ages three and four. The goal of the preschool expansion is to enroll, within five years, 90 percent of students eligible for preschool. To achieve this goal, the District will apply for and expects to receive state-awarded funds each year. The first step of this process is to open registration for the remainder of the 23-24 school year until we meet our capacity this school year. We will add an additional preschool classroom for the 2024-25 school year.

There's much to do in a short amount of time, but we are ready, engaged, and committed to the success of our growing preschool services.

The Holland Township Board of Education has always advocated for early childhood education. We believe preschool education plays a pivotal role in a child's overall development. It sets a strong foundation for their future success in school and in life, reduces the achievement gap, and leads to a more educated and skilled workforce. The District will continue to uphold the importance of preschool education, support quality early childhood programs, and ensure access for all children.

We look forward to welcoming more children into our preschool program and partnering with parents to foster their success. Registration for the remainder of the 2023-24 school year will open on February 1, 2024. Please call 908-995-2401 to enroll your child for the remainder of this school year. Open registration for August 2024 will be through the district website @ www.hollandschool.org

Please reach out to Stephanie Snyder, Preschool coordinator, with any questions. 908-995-2401 x 6312 or ssnyd@hollandschool.org.

Sincerely,



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Superintendent

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