

**Kindergarten Registration
for the 2017-2018 school year
West Holmes Local Schools**



Parents with children who will be five or six years old on or before August 1, 2017, are asked to register their child at the West Holmes elementary school that the child will most likely be attending.

February 1, 2017 – April 7, 2017

Call or stop in to see the building secretary where your child will attend school. The building secretary will ask you for basic registration information about your child and sign your child up for a kindergarten screening appointment on the appropriate day later in April.

Once you have registered your child, you will receive a detailed registration packet in the mail. Please complete these forms and bring them with you to screening. **It is also very important that you bring a copy of your child's birth certificate and proof of residency with you to kindergarten screening so that we have all the necessary paperwork on file that we need.**

Kindergarten screening dates are:

April 11 – Nashville
April 13 – Clark (am only)
April 18 – Killbuck
April 19 – Millersburg
April 20 - Millersburg (am only)

Why do we conduct kindergarten screenings?

All children who live within our school district are eligible for kindergarten if they are 5 years old on or before August 1st of the year they are enrolled in school. The results of the screening have nothing to do with a child being eligible for entry into kindergarten. So, why do we screen prior to kindergarten entrance? It is state law that we screen all children the first time they are enrolled in school for hearing, vision, speech, and communication. The children are also screened for health and medical problems (the doctor's physical) and any developmental disorders. It is most likely the first time children of this age have completed any kind of academic assessment. Kindergarten screening helps us prepare our kindergarten program to meet the individual needs of students. Screening gives us a baseline for future reference of the level at which your child is currently performing, and any potential specific learning needs that we may need to address.

We look forward to working with you and your child at kindergarten screening and throughout his or her public schooling!