

# Prekindergarten in Prairie Spirit School Division

**Prekindergarten is active, experiential learning through play, focused on the development of the whole child: physically, socially, emotionally, spiritually and intellectually.**

The Prekindergarten (Pre-k) program is designed for three and four-year-old children who would benefit from extra support prior to starting school.

This program offers developmental opportunities and supports for children at an early age, provided by school-based staff with recommendations from Division-based staff.

Prekindergarten focuses on:

- fostering social development and self-esteem
- nurturing educational growth and school success
- promoting language development

Each Pre-k class has 16 spaces available and is part of the elementary school. Pre-k is led by a professional teacher who is experienced in Early Childhood Education.

Pre-k is a half-day program that follows the school year calendar, with time designated for special events and family engagement activities.

The year begins with the Pre-k teacher arranging individual visits with the child and their family.

The Ministry of Education determines the location of Pre-k programs in targeted communities. The Ministry provides full funding for the program which is available without cost to families.



**To participate in the Pre-k program, parents must complete an online Pre-k application for their child.**

*Please contact your local school if you need assistance to complete an application.*



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## Frequently Asked Questions

### How is Prekindergarten different than preschool?

Preschool or play-school are community-driven and community funded. The Pre-k program is entirely funded by the provincial government and administered by the local school. There is no cost to parents for Pre-k.

A Pre-k program has a minimum of 12 hours of instruction per week. This program is not meant to replace any preschool programs already operating in the community.

### How do I know if my child qualifies?

The Pre-k program is designed for three and four-year-old children who would benefit from extra support prior to starting school. A child who has a specific challenge in the area of social, behavioral, emotional, cognitive or communicative skills will be considered.

For the 2026/27 school year, children born in 2022 or 2023 are eligible to apply for the Pre-k program at their local school. Please see the list of Pre-k programs offered in Prairie Spirit schools (next page).

### What is my involvement in the program as a parent?

The Pre-k teacher encourages the active involvement of family members in the classroom. The Pre-k teacher works together with families to form positive relationships that promote shared responsibility for a child's learning and development.

Parents will be invited to attend special events and family engagement activities, scheduled throughout the school year. There is no parent volunteer commitment in the classroom as there would be in a cooperative preschool program.

## Applying for the Prekindergarten program



**To participate in the Pre-k program, parents must complete an online Pre-k application for their child. Parents are encouraged to apply by May 1.**

*Please contact your local school if you would like more information about Pre-k or if you need assistance to complete an application.*

A school division selection committee will review the Pre-k applications received. Decisions about the class are made based on the Ministry of Education's specific criteria and the availability of spaces, while meeting the needs of the most vulnerable children first. Other determining factors that are specific to each child will also be taken into consideration.

## Prekindergarten programs in Prairie Spirit

### Allan Composite School

Phone: 306-257-3311  
Email: allan@spiritsd.ca

### Clavet Composite School

Phone: 306-933-1022  
Email: clavet@spiritsd.ca

### Dundurn School

Phone: 306-492-2050  
Email: dundurnschool@spiritsd.ca

### Hague Elementary School

Phone: 306-225-2104  
Email: hes@spiritsd.ca

### Lake Vista Public School (Martensville)

Phone: 306-683-4300  
Email: lakevista@spiritsd.ca  
*Open to both public and Catholic students in Martensville.*

### Leask Community School

Phone: 306-466-2206  
Email: leask@spiritsd.ca

### Lord Asquith School

Phone: 306-329-4331  
Email: las@spiritsd.ca

### Rosthern Community School

Phone: 306-232-4868  
Email: rcs@spiritsd.ca

### Stobart Community School (Duck Lake)\*

Phone: 306-467-2185  
Email: stobart@spiritsd.ca

### Venture Heights Elementary School (Martensville)

Phone: 306-934-2185  
Email: vhs@spiritsd.ca  
*Open to both public and Catholic students in Martensville.*

### École Warman Elementary School\*

Phone: 306-933-2066  
Email: wes@spiritsd.ca  
*Open to both public and Catholic students in Warman.*

*\*school offers two Pre-k programs*

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