

ALLEGANY-LIMESTONE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT'S 2010-2011 UNIVERSAL PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

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We are beginning to plan our Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program for the 2010-2011 school year.

Children must be a resident of the school district and four (4) years of age, on or before December 1, 2010. The program will offer a stimulating environment where children are encouraged to actively investigate, experiment and work cooperatively with their peers through a variety of hands-on-learning experiences. Our program offers a developmental curriculum that encourages not only a child's creativity and social skills, but expands literacy and readiness skills that will be transitional into the Allegany-Limestone District's Kindergarten program.

Ms. Cynthia Christopher

Location of UPK Program: Allegany Elementary School
120 Maple Avenue
Allegany, New York 14706

Staff: NYS certified teachers and a teacher aide in each classroom

Days of the Program: A morning and afternoon session will be offered five days per week w/ parents able to note a preference, however if numbers do not allow, then a lottery will occur with names drawn and the session given to parents. (Children living in the Limestone area of our district are transported for the morning sessions.)

Hours: The program will operate from September 2010 through June 2011 in accordance with the Allegany-Limestone District's calendar.

Morning Program

Bus Students 7:30-10:25

Walkers & Riders 7:45-10:40

Afternoon Program

Bus Students 11:30-2:30

Walkers & Riders 11:15-2:10

Transportation: Students may ride the bus, if family lives outside of the walking requirement and once they reach the age of four years old. Three year olds ride with parent(s)/guardian(s).

Student Requirements: Children must be a resident of the school district and four (4) years of age, on or before December 1, 2010.

Information about the Program: Please join us on Thursday, January 14th @ 6:00-6:30p.m. for an informational meeting and an opportunity to sign up for screening times, if not pre-registered. (Reminders will come home.)

Registration: Registration is limited and includes district residents only, with the maximum number of 68 students (17 children in each session w/ two morning and two afternoon sessions). All students registered and screened in March will be accepted, as long as the total doesn't go over 68 students. If enrollment is larger than 68, we notify families by mail, a lottery will occur and acceptance will be determined by roll-call. Then a waiting list is initiated.

Further Information about Screening: Please call Ann Burgess (secretary) @ 375-6600 ext.8172 as soon as possible to sign up your child for the spring screening occurring on Monday, March 22nd and Tuesday, March 23rd. Reminders will come home in the winter of 2010.

Screening Team: The students' screening team consists of our guidance counselor, nurse, occupational therapist and speech pathologist. Parents meet with the secretary.

Students' Screening Results: Results of the March screenings & acceptance letters are sent home at the end of May 2010. Per parent request, we offer parents the opportunity to speak to or meet individually with members of the screening team in May/June 2010.