

WATERLOO COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS

Waterloo serves children that are 4-years of age on or before September 15th of the current school year*. All Programs follow the Waterloo Schools school year calendar with exception of Cunningham School for Excellence which follows a continuous school year calendar. Enrollment begins in February for the following fall class of students. Our centralized enrollment office is housed within our local Head Start partner, Tri-County Child & Family Inc. The goal of Waterloo Prekindergarten programs is **kindergarten readiness**.

- All programs are taught by Certified Teachers.
- Creative Curriculum© and the GOLD© Assessment is used in all classrooms.
- Field trips are provided for experiential learning.
- Home visits support parents to build a home-to-school partnership.
- All programs have inclusion and support special needs students.
- All programs meet full-days with no school on Wednesdays.
- Fee based before and after school childcare available.
- No cost for programs.
- Students are offered meals and snacks (cost to the parent).
- Parents provide transportation.

Program types are as follows:

State Voluntary Preschool

Funded by a State of Iowa Voluntary Preschool Grant and Waterloo Community Schools. Waterloo Community Schools has voluntary preschool classrooms in-district, Kittrell Early Childhood Center and Elk Run Preschool, and in partnership with other community providers. Community providers are: Community United Child Care Centers. Grin and Grow, Learn and Play, A to Z, Immanuel Lutheran School and Blessed Sacrament School, to provide 10-hours per week of free prekindergarten instruction. Contact each partner for more information.

ENROLLMENT: Call enrollment office at 319-235-0383 for in-school placement. Contact individual childcare centers for their enrollment.

ELIGIBILITY: 4-years-of age. No Family Income Requirement.

Title One Prekindergarten Programs

Funded by Title I and Waterloo Community Schools. Sites include: Lincoln Elementary, Highland Elementary, Elk Run Preschool, and Becker Elementary (formally Edison Elementary).

ENROLLMENT: Call enrolment office at 319-235-0383.

ELIGIBILITY: 4-years-of age with academic need. Child may be screened before admittance.

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SHARED VISIONS

Funded by a state of Iowa Shared Visions Grant, Cedar Valley Promise and Waterloo Community Schools. Sites include: Cunningham School for Excellence, Highland Elementary, and Becker Elementary (formally Edison Elementary).

ENROLLMENT: Call enrollment office at 319-235-0383

ELIGIBILITY: 4-years of age. There is a Family Income Requirement.

HEAD START

Funded by Head Start and Waterloo Community Schools. Sites include: Cunningham School for Excellence, Irving Elementary, Kittrell Elementary, Kittrell Early Childhood Center, Lincoln Elementary, Highland Elementary, and Elk Run Preschool.

ENROLLMENT: Call enrollment office at 319-235-0383

ELIGIBILITY: 4-years of age. There is a Family Income Requirement.

***All programs may require other proofs for enrollment. The Waterloo Community Schools has a proscriptive Standardized Dress Code policy for all schools, preschools and early childhood centers.**

For more information contact Waterloo Community Schools at 319-433-1800.