

**CONCORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CONCORD-CARLISLE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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Dear Parents/Guardians of Incoming Kindergartners,

Welcome to Kindergarten!

As part of kindergarten enrollment and entry, your child will participate in "kindergarten screening". Screening is required by special education laws for all children entering kindergarten. The purpose of the screening is to identify any potential special education needs that may require intervention. The screening is a cursory assessment of basic developmental skills that are necessary for successful learning. Areas that will be assessed include:

- Fine Motor Skills
- Gross Motor Skills
- Language
- Articulation
- Basic Concepts
- Vision
- Hearing

The screening will be conducted by a team which may include a special education teacher, occupational therapist, physical therapist, and/or speech and language pathologist along with the school nurse. The screening will be conducted at the beginning of the school year and will take place during your child's regular kindergarten day. The screening will be individually administered and takes approximately 30 - 45 minutes per child.

In addition to the formal screening, the kindergarten screening team will consider information from the parent questionnaire and health and medical records.

Once all screening activities are completed, you will receive your child's results.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Debbie Dixon

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Interim Director of Students Services