

Watertown Public Schools
EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER
30 Common Street
Watertown, MA 02472
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Kindergarten Waiver Process

Any child who will reach the age of five between September 1st and September 31st may apply for a waiver to enter kindergarten early.

1. Letter of request for waiver to Superintendent **on or before** April 1, 2011. Please include your return address and telephone number. A waiver application packet will be sent upon receipt of the letter.
 - a. Application packet
 - b. Kindergarten Waiver Parent Questionnaire
 - c. Evaluation [Wechsler Preschool & Primary Scale of Intelligence, (WPPSI-R)] **at parent expense** from licensed early childhood specialist or licensed/certified psychologist. (*Estimated parent cost \$200-\$500*)
2. Completed preschool inventory completed by daycare/preschool provider
3. **Completed packets*** must be submitted **no later** than **Monday, April 25, 2011** to Early Childhood Office, 30 Common Street, Watertown, MA 02472.
4. Screening by Watertown Public School personnel.
5. A team of teachers and administrators will review applications and make decisions on waiver requests.
6. All decisions will be final and based on information available at the time of the panel review.

Parents will be notified in writing of the decision in early June.

* Note that arranging for, and completion of the evaluation from the psychologist can take a considerable amount of time. Please plan accordingly and review the timelines. Only complete packets will be considered for waiver.