

KINDERGARTEN SCREENING INFORMATION

We are excited to help you and your child begin the next steps toward Kindergarten Readiness. Kindergarten Screenings are opportunities for teachers and families to work together to prepare their children for a successful, fun, and engaging learning journey!

What is the NCSD Kindergarten Screening?

- Natrona County School District teachers will be giving the Brigance III to 4 or 5-year-olds. The screening takes between 15 and 20 minutes.
- The screening includes questions about demographic information (name, age, birthdate, etc.), letter and number identification, sorting objects, and experiences with books. It also checks for visual and gross motor skills (drawing, standing, walking, etc).
- Parents/Guardians may sit with their child during the screening but are not allowed to prompt or help with questions.
- Screening results will be given to family members at the end of the screening.

Why should we do a Kindergarten Screening?

- The Universal Kindergarten screening provides NCSD with information so we can prepare classrooms, resources, and opportunities to meet the educational needs of all incoming Kindergarten students.
- The screening is one way to determine the child's readiness for school which provides families with more information and time to work with their child before kindergarten begins, if necessary.
- No child will be turned away from kindergarten, all children who are 5 years old by August 1, 2023, will be admitted into a kindergarten program.



How do I sign my child up for a Kindergarten Screening?

- Parents may register children for kindergarten during the Online Enrollment period, December 28, 2022 - January 20, 2023. There is a link in the online registration process to set up a time and date for Kindergarten Screenings. You may also call NCSD Enrollment at 307-253-5450 with any questions.
- Parents may register children for kindergarten during the School Choice Registration period, **December 28th, 2022 - January 20th, 2023.**

If my child is currently in a Classic Kindergarten program does he/she need to be screened again?

- Students currently in Classic Kindergarten do not need to be screened again. However, families who wish for their child in Classic Kindergarten to be rescreened for 2023 may sign up for a screening. (Parent choice)

If my child is currently in an NCSD Preschool program at an elementary school, do I have to register them for kindergarten?

- Yes, all families with new kindergarten students need to go online to fill out a registration.
- Students currently in an NCSD Preschool program **DO** need to register for a Kindergarten screening.

READY... SET... GO!