

**Summit County Preschool Program
420 Washington Avenue
Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221**

To: Parents of Perspective Preschoolers

Subject: Application Process

The Summit County Educational Service Center provides special education and public preschool programming for the districts of Cuyahoga Falls, Manchester, Mogadore, Nardon Hills, Revere, Tallmadge and Woodridge. Children enrolled are taught through a developmentally appropriate and multi-sensory curriculum aligned with the State of Ohio's Pre-Kindergarten Content Standards.

Acceptance into the preschool program occurs through one of two avenues:

Preschooler with a Disability: a child between the ages of three and five who is found in the screening process to demonstrate delays in one or more areas of development. Areas of disability include communication, motor, social/emotion/behavior, adaptive, cognitive and visual/hearing impairments. This evaluation process involves play-based activities, parent interview, formal and informal assessment. The results are used to determine how to best individually address the child's needs.

OR

Peer Model: a child between the ages of three and five and who does **NOT** have special needs can apply to the program as a peer model. A screening is completed prior to acceptance into the program. Peer models must demonstrate age-appropriate cognitive, language, physical, self-help (must be toilet trained) and social/behavior development.

Applications can be picked up at each District's Board of Education, the Summit County Educational Service Center's reception desk or downloaded from cybersummit.org. Click onto the *Preschool* link.