



Ford STEAM Early Learning Center

Kindergarten Students

Ford STEAM ELC offers Pre-kindergarten through 1st grade is committed to providing high-quality instruction. Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics will be integrated into traditional academic subjects with practical, hands-on learning experiences.

We are excited to share that Ford Early Learning Center will be a **STEAM Magnet School!** As a STEAM School:

Science, **T**echnology, **E**ngineering, **A**rts, and **M**athematics will be integrated into traditional academic subjects with practical, hands-on learning experiences.

An application is required to enroll.

Parents must enroll through this [link](#) for Ford STEAM ELC.

Attend an In-Person Kindergarten Round-up

- **Session 1:** February 22, 2024 at 3:45—4:45 pm
- **Session 2:** March 20 & 21, 2024 at 1:00—6:00 pm
- **Session 3:** April 25, 2024 at 3:45—4:45 pm
- **Session 4:** May 30, 2024 at 3:45—4:45 pm
- **Session 5:** August 15, 2024 at 10:00 am—12:00 pm & 2:00—4:00 pm

What to Bring?

Birth certificate, Immunization records, Proof of Residency, Parent ID, **Your child.**

Michigan law requires students to be five years old on or before September 1st to enroll in kindergarten. Students who will turn five years old between September 1st and November 30th may be considered for enrollment in either Kindergarten or the Young 5 kindergarten by completing a kindergarten and Young 5 Kindergarten Waiver.





YCS Preschool and Kindergarten Age Eligibility Guidelines 2024-2025 School Year

Welcome to Ypsilanti Community Schools Preschool and Kindergarten Programs. We look forward to getting to know you and your family. The information below will assist you in the registration process.

Preschool

Eligibility: Age 3 by December 1st, 2024

- **DOB Eligibility:** 12/1/2020 through 11/30/2021

Eligibility: Age 4 by December 1st, 2024

- **DOB Eligibility:** 12/1/2019 through 11/30/2020

[Link to Preschool Interest Form](#)

Our preschool program focuses on the social, emotional and academic needs of the Three and Four-year-old child. Our teaching staff provides developmentally appropriate activities in Math, Science, Reading and Writing. Your child will learn Kindergarten Readiness skills and help build a solid foundation for success in his/her educational journey.

Young Fives

Young Fives is a two-year program designed for children turning 5 years old between June 1 and December 1st.

- **DOB Eligibility:** 6/1/2019 through 12/1/2019

The program provides a strong foundation for future success in all areas of learning. Children are taught with hands-on materials, songs, and games. They are assessed by observation and work samples. Upon completion of the two-year program, children enter first grade.

Students who turn 5 after August 31st should enroll in the preschool program.

Kindergarten

Eligibility: According to Michigan Compiled Law under MCL 380.1147 and 388.1606 enrollment age for incoming kindergarten students are as follows:

- Students must turn 5 by September 1, 2024.
- **DOB Eligibility:** 12/1/2018 through 9/1/2019

Exceptions Provided for Kindergarten Enrollment Age

If a child is not 5 years of age by September 1st, but will be 5 not later than December 1st. Kindergarten Waiver Request form must be submitted prior to beginning school.

A school district that receives this written notification may make a recommendation to the parent or legal guardian that the child is not ready to enroll in kindergarten due to the child's age or other factors. The school will work with the parent/guardian to make the best placement decision for your child.