

SEALY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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2021-2022 School Year

New Pre-K and Kindergarten Student Registration Information: District Residents

Sealy ISD offers online registration for all students. Online registration for <u>NEW</u> (students who were not enrolled in Sealy ISD during the 2020-21 school year) *Pre-K and Kindergarten* students will open on April 6, 2021. In order to enroll your child, you must have a valid email address. Please go to sealyisd.com, click on the "Parent/Student" tab, then "Registration Information" to begin the process. Parents of new students will need to complete the online enrollment process and upload the following documents into the Ascender Parent Portal:

- Proof of residency in the Sealy ISD attendance zone. This can be in the form of a current utility bill, a
 lease agreement signed by the landlord, or an affidavit of residency in another home in the district.
 Residency documents will be verified by district attendance officers.
- An official birth certificate obtained from a state or county office or another certified birth record
- Immunization records up-to-date with all immunizations and boosters
- The student's Social Security card
- Valid, current driver's license, state or federal issued photo ID of parent or guardian enrolling the student

The following, if applicable, will need to be turned into the campus the student is zoned to:

- A certified copy of existing, final court documents establishing legal guardianship, if applicable. (For example custody due to divorce; CPS custody arrangements; legal guardianship; etc.)
- Pre-K parents may need to provide additional documentation. Please continue reading.

Sealy ISD reserves the right to ask to see the original of any required registration document.

Enrollment is not complete until the parent or legal guardian:

- 1. Completes the initial online enrollment process and uploads the needed documents
- 2. Verifies with the campus that all the needed information has been received and verified
- 3. Completes the second part of online registration once the student has been accepted into our system in early August

Sealy and Selman Elementary will be hosting Pre-K and Kindergarten registration for the 2021-2022 school year <u>by appointment only</u> on the following dates:

Tuesday, April 6, 2021 through Friday, April 30, 2021

Appointments may be scheduled by calling the campus offices at Selman Elementary (MBS): (979) 885-6659
Sealy Elementary (SES): (979) 885-3852

Please call the campus to schedule an appointment early in this timeframe to ensure we are able to assist you.

If you have additional questions, you can also email: registration@sealyisd.com

Continue reading for additional information regarding our Pre-K program.



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SEALY ISD PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

Sealy ISD offers a full-day Pre-K program that follows the Sealy ISD academic calendar. A student who enrolls in Pre-K must adhere to the Texas compulsory attendance laws. <u>To be eligible to attend Pre-K, a child must be 4 years of age on or before September 1, 2021 and live in the district.</u>

State-Mandated, Free Full-Day Pre-Kindergarten Program

To be eligible for enrollment in the state-mandated, free Pre-K program, a child must:

- Be unable to speak and/or comprehend the English language; or
- Be economically disadvantaged (qualify for free/reduced lunch); or
- Be homeless, as defined by 42 U.S.C. Section 11302, regardless of the residence of either parent of the child, or of the child's guardian or other person having lawful control of the child; or
- Be the child of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserve component of the armed forces who is ordered to active duty by proper authority; or
- Be the child of a member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state
 military forces or a reserve component of the armed forces who was injured or killed while
 serving on active duty; or
- Is or ever has been in the conservatorship of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services following an adversary hearing under Family Code 262.201.
- Be the child of a person eligible for the Star of Texas Award as a peace officer (3106.002), firefighter (3106.003), or emergency medical first responder (3106.004).

<u>Additional enrollment requirements for the state-mandated program</u>. Documentation to verify qualifying reasons for enrollment is required at the time of registration. Examples of acceptable forms of documentation for qualification include:

- Language proficiency assessment administered by the district;
- Pay stubs, tax return statements, verification of enrollment in a state/federal program such as SNAP or Medicaid;
- Statement of Residence-homeless classification;
- Verification of parental enrollment in the armed forces;
- Verification of the child being in conservatorship the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services;
- Verification of parent's eligibility for the Star of Texas Award

Tuition-Supported Pre-Kindergarten Program

Children who do not qualify for either the state-mandated Pre-K program or Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE, formerly PPCD) program are eligible to enroll in the tuition-supported Pre-K program at Sealy ISD.

Tuition and Fees for the 2021-22 school year:

- Annual tuition for non-Sealy ISD employees: \$5,000 (10 payments of \$500)
- Annual tuition for Sealy ISD employees: \$3,500 (10 payments of \$350)

The district may not adopt a tuition rate for the Pre-K program that is higher than necessary to cover the added costs of providing the program, including any costs associated with collecting, reporting, and analyzing data under Section 29.1532 (c) and must submit the proposed tuition rate to the commissioner for approval.

Tuition-supported Pre-K program registration process

- Enrollment in the district's tuition-supported Pre-K program for non-Sealy ISD employees is determined by a lottery process. Sealy Elementary and Selman Elementary will each offer 5 tuition seats in the 2021-22 lottery.
- To be eligible for the 2021-22 school year Pre-K lottery, individuals must have the online portion of the enrollment process completed and must submit all necessary enrollment documents to the campus during the registration window of Tuesday, April 6th through Friday, April 30th at 4:00 PM.
 - Registrants who meet these three criteria will be placed into a lottery drawing for the campus to which they are zoned. Notification of seats awarded through the lottery process will be provided no later than Tuesday, May 4, 2021, by 5:00 PM.
- Individuals registering after the April registration window and after the lottery for enrollment has been conducted, will be subject to the availability of seats based on enrollment and staffing numbers at each campus. These individuals will be placed on a waiting list in the order their registration is marked complete. Based on August enrollment numbers, families on the waiting list will be contacted by the end of the second week of school if a seat is available for their child.
- If the student's home campus is full and there is availability in the Pre-K program on the other elementary campus, parents may choose to send their child to the other campus.
 However, they would need to provide their own transportation. Such a transfer is limited to Pre-K only.