



Riverside Public School District 96
Riverside, Illinois 60546

TO: Parents of 3, 4 and 5 year olds
FROM: Dr. Mary Polk, Director of Special Education and Assessment Systems
DATE: January 19, 2012
RE: Pre-School Screening for Special Education Services on February 16, 2012

Riverside Public School District 96 is providing a Special Education pre-school screening for children living in the school district born between September 2, 2006 and February 16, 2009 whose parents are concerned that their child may be disabled. **This screening is only for children who may be in need of special education services through early intervention. This is not a screening for entrance into Kindergarten.**

The screening will take place at Central School, 61 Woodside Road, and will cover vision, hearing, speech and language development, fine and gross motor skills, and social development. The purpose of this screening is to help determine if your child is disabled and in need of special education services.

A team of professionals from the Riverside Public Schools will survey your child's social, fine motor skills and language development. The screening will take about 30 minutes for each child. Results of the evaluation will be given at the end of the screening.

Since the team can work with only a small number of children at one time, each family is asked to make an appointment by calling Special Education Secretary, Robin Jackson by Monday, February 6, 2012 at (708) 447-0706 to schedule an appointment for the Special Education screening on February 16, 2012 between 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. A specific time will be reserved for each child's appointment.

If you know of any neighbors who may not be aware of this special education pre-school screening for three, four and five year olds, please inform them. Parents of infants and toddlers between the ages of birth to 36 months, who are concerned about the development of their child, are asked to contact the Child and Family Connection at 1-888-8228, at no cost to the parent, to determine whether or not a child is eligible for special education services such as speech/language therapy and or occupational/physical therapy. If a child is found eligible for services, then parents will be assisted in locating services from an appropriate agency serving infants and toddlers with handicaps.

There will be an informational meeting for Kindergarten registration for the 2012-2013 school year in the Riverside Public Schools on Thursday, March 1, 2012. The meeting will be held at each of the elementary schools. A child entering Kindergarten in September 2012 must be five years old on or before September 1, 2012. The addresses and phone numbers for the elementary schools are as follows:

Ames	86 Southcote Road, Riverside – 447-0759	Mrs. Colleen Liegge, Principal
Blythe Park	735 Leesley Road, Riverside -447-2168	Mr. Bob Chleboun, Principal
Central	61 Woodside Road, Riverside – 447-1106	Dr. Janice Limperis, Principal
Hollywood	3423 Hollywood Avenue, Brookfield – 485-7630	Ms. Mindy Keller, Principal

We look forward to serving you.

Thank you for your cooperation.