



## PRESCHOOL CENSUS AND KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

**JANUARY 14, 2010**

Cary District 26 will be holding its annual Preschool Census and Kindergarten Registration on January 14, 2010 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. at the following locations:

- ❖ **Briargate School – 100 S. Wulff Street (Cafeteria)**
- ❖ **Three Oaks School – 1514 Three Oaks Road (Community Room)**

Both of the registration sites are open to all district parents regardless of neighborhood school of attendance. Children do not need to accompany their parents to the census or registration.

**Preschool Census:** School districts are mandated by law to identify children ages birth-21 who may be in need of special educational services. District 26 asks all parents with children between the ages of birth-4 years to complete a preschool census questionnaire. The questionnaires are reviewed by District 26 professional staff to determine students who may be eligible for a screening. Children, age's birth through two years of age, will be referred to the Child and Family Connections Agency for screening. Screenings for children ages 3-4 are typically held the first Friday of the month and are conducted by Cary District 26 staff. Preschool screening provides an opportunity for staff to look at a child's development and to determine if there is a need for in-depth evaluation.

**Kindergarten Registration:** If your child will be 5 years old on or by September 1, 2010 and will be entering Kindergarten in August 2010, we request that you register your child at this time. Parents of incoming Kindergartners need to bring their child's official birth certificate to the registration. This is the only record that will be accepted to verify a student's date of birth. A hospital record or copy will not be accepted. The birth certificate will be copied and returned to you at the time of registration.

At the registration, parents will be asked to fill out a detailed registration and other necessary forms. No fees will be collected at this time. Fee information, as well as class session and teacher assignments, will be sent to all parents at a later date.

**All** parents who are enrolling a kindergartner in District 26 will need to provide two proofs of residency; acceptable items would be: 1) driver's license, 2) current (within 60 days) utility bill (gas, electric, water – no telephone or cable). Families who have recently moved into Cary will also need to provide a house closing statement. Renters will need to provide a signed and dated lease with proof of payment of rent (cancelled check or receipt). Items will be photocopied and returned at the time of registration.

If you have any questions concerning the Preschool Census or the Kindergarten Registration, please call the Special Services Office at 847-639-7788, ext. 7.

**NOTE:** By early January 2010, all kindergarten registration and preschool census forms will be available on the district website, [www.cary26.org](http://www.cary26.org) and on Edline; parent/guardians of incoming kindergartners will still need to come to registration on January 14<sup>th</sup> to return completed forms and provide birth certificate and proof of residency. Preschool census forms may be returned on January 14<sup>th</sup> or mailed/dropped off at District 26 Administration Center, 2115 Crystal Lake Rd, Cary.