



# FREE VOLUNTARY PREKINDERGARTEN (VPK)

*program for four year olds*

Pinellas County Schools offers a free VPK program for 3 hours a day. Children must be 4 years old on or before September 1, 2023, for the 2023-2024 school year. The program can be extended for the last 3 hours of the school day through a tuition fee of \$65 a week and a \$65 non-refundable registration fee, which will be applied to the last week's tuition. Some elementary schools offer a free full-day program. Families who qualify for free or reduced-price meals according to the annual Florida Income Eligibility Guidelines will qualify for free full-day VPK. PreK 3 and full-day VPK will be free for children of all full-time PCS employees at our elementary school sites. Our Employee and Community Preschool sites at Largo and Countryside high schools will offer a discount to full-time PCS employees.



Join us on November 28, 2022 on Facebook or YouTube Live for information on the application process and to have your questions answered.

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## APPLY FOR A VPK SEAT.

November 28, 2022- December 14, 2022 by 5:00 p.m.

To apply for a seat, families must use the online Student Reservation System (SRS) at [reservation.pcsb.org](https://reservation.pcsb.org). Visit any PCS school with a valid photo ID to get an account.

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## VIEW APPLICATION RESULTS.

December 16, 2022- January 13, 2023

Log onto [reservation.pcsb.org](https://reservation.pcsb.org) to find out if your application was accepted. You must accept an invitation to keep your seat.

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## APPLY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY.

Beginning January 1, 2023

Visit [elcpinellas.org](https://elcpinellas.org) and complete the online application for a Certificate of Eligibility (voucher). For information, please call the Early Learning Coalition at (727) 400-4411.

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## ENROLL AT ASSIGNED SCHOOL.

January 23, 2023 - February 3, 2023

To enroll, bring the following documents to your assigned school:

- Certificate of Eligibility (voucher)
- Birth certificate/proof of child's age
- Florida Certificate of Immunization (DH Form 680)
- Physical examination certificate signed by a licensed examiner
- Proof of Florida residency (two forms of documentation required)

Failure to enroll by February 3, 2023 will result in an expired reservation.

For more information visit [pcsb.org/VPK](https://pcsb.org/VPK) or call (727) 588-6513.