

**Early Childhood Program Application Form
Blair Community Schools
2017-2018**

The goal of the Blair Community Schools is to provide quality early childhood education for all students. Qualified students of pre-kindergarten age may apply for participation in the District's preschool program. The Blair School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, marital status, age or handicap in admission or access to, or treatment of or employment in, its programs and activities.

The following information helps the program better understand the needs of your family. All information is confidential.

CHILD INFORMATION:

Child's First Name: _____ Last Name _____

Preferred Name: _____ Sex: Male Female

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Student Ethnicity Information:

Part A - Is your child Hispanic/Latino? yes no

Part B - What is your child's race? American Indian or Alaska Native Asian White
 Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

FAMILY INFORMATION:

Child lives with: One parent Two parents Foster parent Other _____

Parent/Guardian Names:

Adult One: _____ Adult Two: _____

Relationship to child: _____ Relationship to child: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Date of Birth _____

Last grade completed: _____ Last grade completed: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Contact Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ Email Address: _____

What childcare center (if any) does your child attend? _____

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| 1. Has your child previously enrolled in a preschool program? | YES | NO |
| a. If yes, when and where: _____ | | |
| 2. Do you have concerns about your child's development? | YES | NO |
| a. If yes, describe _____ | | |
| b. Has your child been through a Special Education Evaluation? | YES | NO |
| 3. Does your family qualify for Free or Reduced Meals? | YES | NO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Free <input type="checkbox"/> Reduced <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure | | |
| 4. Is English the primary language used in the home? | YES | NO |
| a. If no, what language is used? _____ | | |
| 5. Did your child weigh less than 5 pounds at birth ? | YES | NO |
| (Verification is required and can be provided by a physician) | | |
| a. Birth weight: _____ lbs. _____ oz. | | |

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

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Date Received _____ Accepted _____ Wait List _____

Information Regarding Preschool through the Blair Community Schools

Qualified students of pre-kindergarten age may apply for participation in the District's preschool program.

Qualifications:

1. Resident of the Blair School District – at least one parent or guardian must reside in the Blair School District.
2. Child must be 3 years of age on or before July 31 of the year they enter preschool.
3. Children may not be eligible to attend kindergarten. (5 years old by July 31)

Applications Open: Parents may submit an application to the Office of Student Services beginning **February 7, 2017**.

Application Deadline: Applications are due **March 21, 2017**. Applications received after **March 21** will be reviewed and possibly approved if space in the program is available. Eligible children who are not accepted in the program can be placed on a wait list should additional spaces become available.

Approval Process: Applications will be reviewed and parents will be notified of their acceptance into Preschool by **March 31**. Parents will be asked to complete enrollment paperwork to finalize their child's enrollment in the preschool program. If the child's enrollment is not completed, the slot will be given to another student.

Transportation: Provided by the student's parent or guardian unless otherwise required by law.

Special Considerations: Financial scholarships may be available and are based on the following factors:

- Child has special education verification (IEP)
- Qualification for the free or reduced lunch program (completion of the meal application is required)
- Mother under 18 years of age at child's birth
- Home language is not English
- Child's birth weight under 5 pounds (verified by a physician and/or a copy of the child's birth certificate)
- Child is in foster care or ward of the court (legal documentation required)
- Child lives in a single parent home

Fee Structure Sliding Scale

The following fee structure is in place for the Blair Community Schools Preschool Program.

Tier I - Full Tuition - \$200 per month for 10 months - August-May

Tier II - At least 1 Special Consideration - \$100 per month for 10 months - August-May

Tier III - 2 or more Special Considerations OR Free Lunch OR Special Education - \$0 - tuition waived

In order to submit your application for the Blair Community Schools Early Childhood Program, return the completed application to:

- Blair Community Schools Deerfield School; 1100 Deerfield Blvd; Blair, NE; *please use Preschool Entrance* (in person)
- Blair Community Schools; Attention: Leon Haith; P.O. Box 288; Blair, NE 68008 (via US Mail)
- By fax to: 402-427-2992
- By email to: leon.haith@blairschools.org

For more information please contact:

Karen Green, Student Services Administrative Assistant at 402-427-2715
Or Leon Haith, Director of Student Services at 402-427-2711.