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Dear Avon Families,

Avon Public Schools (APS) is conducting a census of all children residing in Avon who are of preschool age. This information will assist us in more accurately estimating the number of children from our community who will enter kindergarten in the fall of 2024. This information will ensure that the district can plan for appropriate amounts of resources and staffing.

The Connecticut General Assembly has modified the age for kindergarten attendance to: **age 5 by September 1st. A child who is 5 years old by September 1, 2024 is eligible for Kindergarten attendance during the 2024-2025 school year.** Children who turn 5 after September 1, 2024 are not eligible to attend kindergarten. However, families with a child(ren) who have a birthday between September 2, 2024 and December 30, 2024 may request, in writing, that their child be assessed for Kindergarten readiness. More information on kindergarten admittance can be found on the website of the [Connecticut Office of Early Childhood](#). If you have additional questions regarding kindergarten admittance, you may contact the Avon Public Schools Department of Teaching and Learning at 860-404-4700.

If a preschool age child or children reside in your home, your assistance in completing this very brief survey below **by January 9, 2024** would be greatly appreciated. To share information about your child(ren) use this link:

[Avon Public Schools Preschool Census](#)

Please note: by entering your children's names and birthdates, **you are not registering them or requesting an assessment to determine readiness.** By completing this form, you are simply assisting our district in planning appropriately for the 2024-2025 school year. Your name will be added to our mailing list to receive future information about Kindergarten registration. You are not committing yourself to registering your child(ren) and can tell us at any time during the registration process if you decide to use a private school, magnet school, wait another year before starting kindergarten, or make any other choice for your child.

Thank you for taking the time to share this information with our district. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

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NOTE: Please fill out this survey **ONLY** if a preschool age child or children reside in your home. Children are eligible for Kindergarten in 2024/25 if they were born on or before September 1, 2019 or if their parent/guardian makes a request in writing and the school district conducts an assessment of the child to ensure that admitting such child is developmentally appropriate. Information on kindergarten registration will be sent home in January to anyone with an age-eligible child who is not yet attending school.