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Dear Parents,

We will be offering our "Rocket Launch" Pre-K Program again this next year (2023-2024). There are two ways to meet eligibility as a participant in the program: (1) Meeting criteria identified by the state or (2) Fee-Based participation. The Rocket Launch program is a half-day program meeting Monday-Thursday and will begin August 2023. Cognitive, language, social, emotional, and physical areas of development will be addressed in the program. Transportation will be provided for resident, state Pre-K qualifiers ONLY. Children participating under the state criteria must meet at least one qualifier to participate (see the list of qualifiers identified below - #1-9). Fee-Based qualifiers will be determined pending confirmation of our state criteria qualifiers and ECSE numbers. Selections for participation in the program will be based upon those children demonstrating the most need for Pre-K experiences. **All** students will participate in a developmental screening process in the Spring of 2023 to determine if they qualify. Please review the qualifiers for our State Pre-K program below. If your child does not qualify in one of the listed criteria, then your child is eligible as a Fee-Based participant.

Children who are four years old on or before August 31, 2023, **and meet at least one** of the following criteria may participate as a state qualifier. (Non-Discriminatory statement: Children who meet at least one of the criteria must be considered for placement in the program, and cannot be rejected solely because they have an IEP.) Criteria 1-6 & 8-9 meet eligibility for students who are currently on an IEP, and criteria 1-9 meet eligibility requirements for students who are at risk and do not have an IEP. The criteria for participation include:

1. Qualifies for the [free lunch program](#) under National School Lunch Program/ KSDE Household Economic Survey (On or before September 20, 2023)
  2. Single Parent Families (On the first day of school, the custodial parent is unmarried.)
  3. DCF referral (The referral must describe the need for attendance and document the agent's signature.)
  4. Teen Parents (At least one parent was a teen when the child was born.)
  5. Either parent is lacking a high school diploma or GED (On the first day of school, either parent lacks a high school diploma or GED.)
  6. Limited English Proficiency (LEP status must be documented.)
  7. Lower than expected developmental progress. (\*Based on a valid assessment, a delay is present in one of these areas: cognitive development, physical development, communication/literacy, social-emotional/behavior, adaptive behavior/self-help skills -- based on a screening given by Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Pemrick, or Mrs. Guinotte.)
- **\*(Criterion 7 is NOT used to determine if children who have an IEP are also at-risk. Only criteria 1-6 and 8-9 are utilized as qualifiers for IEP students.)**
8. Child qualifies for migrant status (There must be a copy of the Certificate of Eligibility on file.)
  9. Child experiencing homelessness (Residence of Homeless Student must be completed in the KIDS Collection System & the student must be included on the district's official homeless list.)

Please Note: Given that this is a specialized program, resident students meeting eligibility will be given first priority in filling open slots. Out of District students desiring participation may submit a criteria checklist/interest form and an Out of District Waiver form (please contact the school office for the ODW document or it can be located on the district website). Out of district students meeting eligibility will be contacted regarding participation once space availability is determined.

If you are interested in having your child participate in our Rocket Launch Preschool program, please complete the Criteria Checklist/Interest Form on page two and return it to the Primary Office. Once submitted, you will be contacted by the office to schedule a screening. Please feel free to contact the Primary office at 776-3340 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Rachel Dalinghaus, Principal  
Cathy Cooper, Teacher  
Kristen Guinotte, Teacher  
Rashel Pemrick, Teacher

**Our Mission:**

The mission of Rose Hill Primary School is to do our best and learn all we can for the years ahead.

# Rose Hill Primary School 2023-2024 School Year

Rocket Launch State Pre-Kindergarten / Fee-Based 4-Year-Old Program

## Criteria Checklist/Interest Form

Child's Name (First, Middle, Last): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ Please Circle: Male Female

Mother/Guardian's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Father/Guardian's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Student resides with: Mother Father Both parents

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child qualify for the Free Lunch program based on the [Federal Income Chart](https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/fr-021622)? Yes No Unknown  
<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/fr-021622>

Is your child currently living in a single parent home (per state criteria, on the first day of school, the custodial parent is unmarried)? YES NO

Age of parents at time of child's birth: Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Father: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest level of education that parents completed: (example, high school grade, GED, high school diploma, college, etc.)

Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Father: \_\_\_\_\_

Language spoken at home (if not English): \_\_\_\_\_

Has your child been through an Early Childhood Assessment or been to a Count Your Kid in screening? Yes No

If yes, Where? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_

Is your child currently on an IEP? Yes No

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Qualifying Criteria:

Poverty \_\_\_\_\_ Single parent \_\_\_\_\_ Teenage Parent \_\_\_\_\_ Education \_\_\_\_\_ ELL \_\_\_\_\_

Developmental Screening \_\_\_\_\_ DCF \_\_\_\_\_ Migrant \_\_\_\_\_ Homeless \_\_\_\_\_

Child qualified as: State Pre-K \_\_\_\_\_ Fee-Based \_\_\_\_\_