

USD 336 Holton Central Elementary

Policy for Early Childhood Preschool Program (ECSE)

The Holton Special Education Cooperative Early Childhood Special Education program provides services to children ages 3-5 years of age who have been identified as having special needs. The program, located at Central Elementary School, provides services to include children who have age-appropriate skills. Children who qualify for the program must turn age 3 by Jan. 1, 2015 and will serve as role models for children who are delayed in developmental areas such as speech-language, social skills, behavior, motor and cognition. In addition to being role models, they will have the opportunity to expand their readiness skills to prepare them for kindergarten. The ECSE program offers a wonderful learning experience for all children. The staff includes two certified special education teachers, speech and language pathologist and para-educators. The curriculum is play-based with the needs of each student considered. The screening and selection of role models for this program will be by the lottery system. Transportation for peer models is provided for 2015-16 school year.

Criteria for Placement:

- **APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY WEDNESDAY, JAN. 14th 2015.**
- The child must be between the ages 3-5 while participating in the program. He or she must be 3 by January 1, 2015 to qualify for the program.
- They must have and continue to demonstrate age appropriate speech-language skills, social skills, motor skills, behavior and cognition.
- An articulation screening will be completed with each applicant to identify those who would provide the best speech sound production models for the children who qualify for the program based on developmental delay. Children with the most accurate speech sound production and most well-developed language skills will be considered first when filling the role model slots.
- The child must be toilet trained at the time of application.
- Parents must reside within the Holton school system at time of application and throughout preschool participation.
- From those who pass the screening, a second random lottery drawing will be done.
- Classes will be Monday-Thursday in either the morning or afternoon session starting in August of the 2015-16 school year.
- The session whether morning or afternoon session will be determined by school administration.
- The program is primarily for students identified with a disability. If the program reaches its capacity as defined by federal guidelines and a new student with a disability is identified, priority must be given to the student for whom the program was designed to serve. In that event, Peer Model students will be dismissed on a basis of last one enrolled will be the first one dismissed.
- You may contact Central Elementary School (Beth Smith) at 364-2051 if you have any questions.
- Transportation will be provided for peer models.

COST

- The only cost is the one time preschool enrollment fee. Parents will provide normal school supplies and milk money.

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Early Childhood Role Model Application Form

Due in to the Central Elementary Office on or before Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2015.

Child's Name: _____

Child's date of birth: _____

Father's Name: _____

Father's Home Phone Number: _____

Father's Work Phone Number: _____

Father's Home Address: _____

Mother's Name _____

Mother's Home Phone Number: _____

Mother's Work Phone Number: _____

Mother's Home Address: _____

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Screening Permission Signature

I agree to let my child, _____, be screened for enrollment in the Early Childhood Special Education Role Model Program. My child will turn age 3 by Jan. 1, 2015.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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