## Currently, Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division provides 24 Prekindergarten programs in 13 schools.

SCHOOL	ADDRESS	PHONE
Canwood Public School	Canwood, SK	(306) 468-2150
John Diefenbaker Public School	1090 Branion Drive	(306) 763-6031
King George Public School	421- 23 <sup>rd</sup> St. East	(306) 763-7571
Kinistino Public School	Kinistino, SK	(306) 864-2252
Princess Margaret Public School	351- 13 <sup>th</sup> Ave East	(306) 763-5217
Queen Mary Public School	1010- 15 <sup>th</sup> St. West	(306) 763-7672
Riverside Public School	511- 5 <sup>th</sup> Ave. East	(306) 763-6495
Shellbrook Elementary Public School	Shellbrook, SK	(306) 747-2588
St. Louis Public School	St. Louis, SK	(306) 422-8511
T.D. Michel Public School	Big River, SK	(306) 469-2128
Vincent Massey Public School	2999 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave. East	(306) 763-7494
W.J. Berezowsky Public School	566 McIntosh Drive	(306) 763-7404
Westview Public School	620 MacArthur Drive	(306) 922-4094

The times and days of each Prekindergarten program vary. Please contact your neighbourhood school for more specific information regarding the program format and application process.





## PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS



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Prekindergarten programs are available for children who are 3 and 4 years of age by December 31st of the current school year.

Prekindergarten is a prevention and early intervention program. Therefore, priority is given to children who are at risk or most vulnerable. Application forms are available at schools or through SRPSD's website.



Prekindergarten programs were developed in the province to support the overall development of young children and to lay the foundation for school success and lifelong learning.

The focus of the program is on the healthy development of the whole child in four domains: physical, social emotional, spiritual, and intellectual. Short-term benefits include improved intellectual performance, increased social skills, improved health, and higher self-esteem.

While Prekindergarten, preschool, and child care centres all provide early learning opportunities for young children, Prekindergarten programs are operated by school divisions and employ a certified teacher with a minimum of a Bachelor of Education. (Government of Saskatchewan, 2010)

The Prekindergarten program focuses on play and exploration and uses Saskatchewan's Essential Learning Experiences as its guiding document.

Prekindergarten educators work together with families to form positive relationships that promote shared responsibility for children's learning and development.

Families are honoured as children's first teachers and welcome to participate in our culturally responsive Prekindergarten programs.

## **Prekindergarten programs include:**

- Developmentally appropriate programming
  - o language and literacy development
  - o play based learning
  - o nutrition, music, physical activity
- · High quality, cheerful, caring environments
  - o opportunities for family engagement within the classroom, school, and community
- Culturally affirming learning experiences that respond to abilities, interests, and needs of the children
- Indoor and outdoor learning experiences
- Specialized education supports
  - o speech-language pathologist, student support services consultants, and Prekindergarten coach
  - o information about health and other community services or partnerships for families
  - home visits by the Prekindergarten teacher and the educational associate