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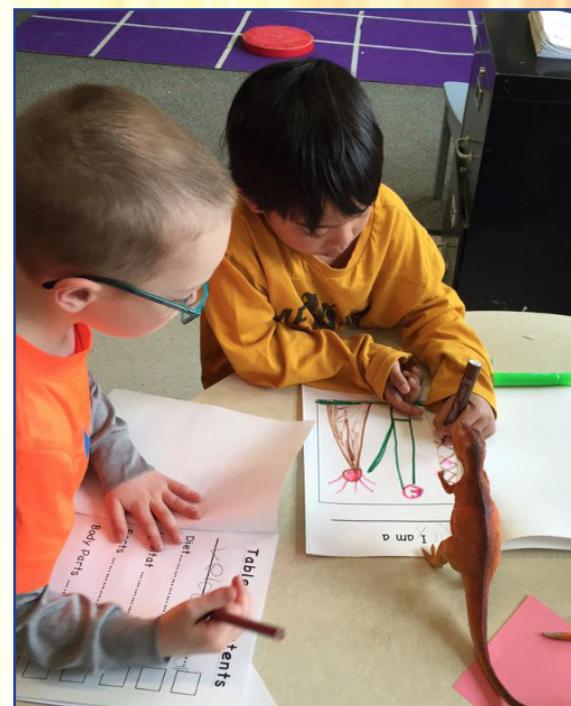
Many early learning and child care facilities lease space within our Early Years schools. Families registering for child care and pre-school within SJASD schools often have questions about registering for Kindergarten in the future. The answers to frequently asked questions about this process can be found inside this brochure.



[www.sjsd.net](http://www.sjsd.net)

If you have further questions, please contact our Coordinator of School and Community Support at the Divisional Board Office by calling 204-888-7951.

## Guide to Early Years Registration



St. James-Assiniboia School Division

# Q & A

## **Question:**

I have registered my child for daycare/ pre-school at a facility inside a SJASD school. Does that guarantee that my child will be accepted into that school?

## **Answer:**

Acceptance into the school is contingent on your home address and/or available space in the given classroom. As per Schools of Choice legislation, every student is guaranteed a space in his/her designated home/catchment school as determined by the student's address. If there is space remaining in the given classroom once students who reside in the catchment area have been placed, students from other SJASD catchment areas may be accepted toward the end of June of that upcoming school year.

## **Question:**

Does attending daycare/pre-school give my child priority for registering in that school even though our home is outside the catchment area?

## **Answer:**

Schools must maintain a waiting list for the upcoming school year. Towards the end of June, **if physical space permits**, out-of-catchment students will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis from the existing waiting list. The specific date in June will be determined on an annual basis.

## **Question:**

Can I use the daycare/preschool address as my child's home address for the purpose of determining catchment eligibility?

## **Answer:**

The address of the daycare cannot be used to determine catchment area for registration/school acceptance purposes unless physical space and staffing capacity permits. Out-of-catchment students will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis from the existing wait list. After a student is accepted into the school, the address of the daycare may be used to determine eligibility for transportation services only.

## **Question:**

Once a child is enrolled in a school outside of his/her home catchment, are there any circumstances when he/she would have to return to his/her home/catchment school?

## **Answer:**

Once enrolled in a SJASD Early Years school (K-5) students are entitled to continue attending that school until they transition to the Middle Years level.

## **Question:**

My older child already attends a school outside of our home catchment area. Does that mean my younger child gets priority for a space at that school?

## **Answer:**

Schools must maintain a waiting list for the upcoming school year. Towards the end of June, **if space permits**, out-of-catchment students will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis from the existing wait list. The specific date in June will be determined on an annual basis.

## **Question:**

When will I know if my child will be accepted into the school?

## **Answer:**

Parents will be notified toward the end of June for September acceptance.

## **Question:**

My home is outside the boundaries of SJASD. Can my child attend school in a SJASD school?

## **Answer:**

If space permits once SJASD catchment and non-catchment area students have been placed, students who live outside the SJASD boundaries will be considered for acceptance, again on a first-come, first-served basis.

## **Question:**

Where can I get more information?

## **Answer:**

More information about determining your catchment area school can be found on our School Locator by visiting the link below:

[http://mybaragar.com/index.cfm?event=page\\_SchoolLocatorPublic&DistrictCode=MB02](http://mybaragar.com/index.cfm?event=page_SchoolLocatorPublic&DistrictCode=MB02)

Manitoba's Schools of Choice Legislation can be found at:

<http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/schools/choice/>

Manitoba's Class Size Initiative can be found at:

<https://web2.gov.mb.ca/bills/40-4/b002e.php>