# Southwick-Tolland-Granville Regional School District (STGRSD)

## **Preschool Program**

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Who can attend the STGRSD Preschool Program?

The STGRSD Preschool program is for students with disabilities. Public schools are required to offer free and appropriate educational services for children ages three to five (and older) who have a disability as outlined by state and federal requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

#### Can students without disabilities attend the STGRSD Preschool Program?

The STGRSD Preschool program is open to a limited number of peer role models (Peer Partners) on a first come-first serve basis.

#### What are the preschool hours?

Our preschool students attend school Monday through Friday. Our AM Session is 9:00-11:30, and our PM Session is 12:30-3:00.

#### Are School of Choice slots available in the STGRSD Preschool program?

No. Preschool is not part of the School Choice program. Preschool students must reside in Southwick, Tolland or Granville.

#### Is Transportation provided?

Transportation is provided for special education students, but not for Peer Partners.

Special Education preschool students from Granville and Tolland are automatically assigned to an AM session as transportation scheduling necessitates. Special Educations preschool students from Southwick will be assigned to an AM or PM class based on the pickup and drop off address and students ride time. All routes are reviewed and revised each year based on pickup and drop off locations and enrollment; therefore, session assignment could change from year to year.

#### What is the criteria to be a Peer Partner?

- Must be 3 years old
- Must be toilet trained
- Successfully pass a preschool screening

### How do I enroll my child in the Preschool Program?

- 1. All students must complete an enrollment packet and provide required documentation
- 2. All students must have a Preschool Screening. Screenings can be scheduled by calling the Woodland School office at 413-569-6598.

If the screening finds that your student requires additional evaluations and is then found eligible for our special education Preschool Program:

- A session will be provided based on location (see above, Is Transportation Provided?)
- The assigned teacher will write an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) for the student. Once written and signed by the parent/guardian, the Woodland School office will contact the parent/guardian with a start date.

If the screening finds that your student is eligible as a Peer Partner:

- The student will be placed in a session on a first come-first serve basis.
- A deposit must be made in the form of cash or check (payable to STGRSD)
  AM Session is \$150/month Deposit of \$300 is required
  PM Session is \$140/month Deposit of \$280 is required

Once Peer Partner slots are full, your student will be placed on a wait list and accepted in the order in which completed enrollments (registration packet and screenings) were received.

Screenings results for all students will be mailed home by the end of the month that your child is screened.