## **Bradley Beach Elementary School**

515 Brinley Ave, Bradley Beach, NJ 07720

## 732-775-4413

## PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

Bradley Beach School District offers a free 10-month, full-day daily preschool program for children who are three and four years old and are Bradley Beach residents. Your child must have turned three or four years old before October 1st of the upcoming school year. Preschool placement is determined by space availability.

The Bradley Beach parent/guardian must complete the registration process by completing a registration packet and then contacting the Main Office at 732-775-4413 x115 to make an appointment with the Attendance Secretary. The registration packet can be located at <a href="https://www.bbesnj.org">www.bbesnj.org</a> and under "School Information" parents will find a "Forms" link that will contain the "Enrollment Packet" in PDF format. Students will not be considered registered until all documents are accepted and the appointment has been completed. If a parent is unable to access the online registration packet, feel free to contact the Main Office for a copy.

Pursuant to the NJ Department of Education, Division of Early Childhood mandate, the maximum number of students in a preschool classroom is fifteen (15). Although every effort is made to place a preschool student, there is no guarantee; therefore, a lottery system will be utilized and a number will be assigned to each family at the registration appointment to select preschoolers for any available seats. This number will also serve as placement on a waiting list if your child is not selected during the lottery. A drawing for Preschool placement will occur on the last school day in May during the school year. The lottery drawing will take place in the Main Office with at least two administrators and a Main Office Secretary in attendance. Registrations will be accepted on a rolling basis throughout the school year, however all registrations submitted after the final school day in May will be placed at the end of the waiting list. Early registrants will not be prioritized, as all registrations prior to the final school day in May will be provided the same opportunity in the lottery system. We encourage all families to register for preschool between the months of March and May. For families with twins or multiples, one lottery number will be assigned to each family. If selected as the last available classroom seat during the school lottery, the family will have the choice of separating students or being placed on the school waiting list for the next available seats.

All families will be contacted by the school with the results of the lottery within two weeks of the lottery. Preschool Orientation occurs at the Bradley Beach Elementary School at the end of August/beginning of September. The Orientation provides an opportunity for parents and

students to meet the teachers, administration, and other staff members as well as to tour the facility. Although this is not mandatory, it is encouraged that families attend.

Priority consideration for determining classroom seat vacancies is as follows:

- 1. Existing three-year-old rollovers.
- 2. Lottery numbers
- 3. Waiting List: The lottery number will be used for priority order on a school waiting list, if needed.

After Care services are provided by the Bradley Beach Recreation Department. This fee-based, income eligibility program has a separate registration process. For more information, please locate the "After School Registration" packet under the "School Services" tab on our website.

If you are concerned that your preschool child is developing or learning differently, you can reach the Bradley Beach School District's Special Services Department at 732-775-4413, Ext. 123 to request an evaluation for preschool special education and related services.