

The Class of 2038!

Kindergarten round-ups, open houses scheduled in local school districts for students enrolling in the 2026-27 school year

It's the time of year when local elementary schools roll out the welcome mat for incoming kindergartners and their families, through open houses, school tours and registration activities.

Following is a list of kindergarten registration open houses, parent meetings, and school tours planned throughout the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District's 11 public schools, charter academies, and private schools (*please note: some districts require an appointment and others do not*):

ANTRIM COUNTY

CENTRAL LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Thursday, April 11: By appointment only.

Contact: Call (231) 544-3141 for an appointment.

On the web: www.clps.k12.mi.us

EBENEZER CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Preschool-kindergarten round up:

Thursday, May 7: 3:30-6 p.m.

Contact: Call (231) 588-2111 for more information.

On the web: www.ebenezerchristian.org

ELLSWORTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Appointment required. Parent meeting, orientation and tours.

Tuesday, April 21: 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Contact: Call (231) 588-2544 to make an appointment.

On the web: www.ellsworth.k12.mi.us

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

BEAVER ISLAND COMMUNITY SCHOOL

If your child is a prospective kindergarten student, please call the Beaver Island Community School office at (231) 448-2744 to set up an appointment to meet the staff and learn about the program.

On the web: www.beaverisland.k12.mi.us

BOYNE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Parents/guardians will need to register for a kindergarten round-up session of their choice by filling out a kindergarten pre-registration form that is available on the BCPS website, www.boyne.k12.mi.us.

The following registration sessions will be held:

Wednesday, May 6: 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Thursday, May 7: 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

If you have questions, please call (231) 439-8300.

On the web: www.boyne.k12.mi.us

BOYNE FALLS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Registration required. Parent meeting, orientation and tours.

Thursday, April 23: 5:30 p.m.

Contact: Call (231) 549-2211 to register.

On the web: www.boynefalls.org

CHARLEVOIX PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Appointment required.

Friday, April 24 and Monday, April 27: 9 a.m., 10:45 a.m., or 1 p.m.

Call (231) 547-3215 to register.

On the web: www.rayder.net

CONCORD ACADEMY BOYNE

Appointment required.

Thursday, April 23: 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Contact: For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (231) 582-0194.

On the web: www.concordboyne.com

EAST JORDAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Kindergarten registration is now open online. Click on the link at the top of the district's homepage, www.ejps.org, that reads "EJPS Registration."

An open house will take place on **Monday, April 20**, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Tuesday, April 21, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the elementary school.

Contact: For more information, call (231) 536-7564.

On the web: www.ejps.org

ST. MARY SCHOOL - CHARLEVOIX

No appointment necessary.

Tuesday, April 14: 5:30-7 p.m.

Contact: (231) 547-9441 or email principal@stmaryschoolchx.com

On the web: www.stmaryschoolcharlevoix.com

EMMET COUNTY

ALANSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Thursday, April 23: 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be provided.

For more information, contact Rachele Cook at rcook@alansonvikings.net or call (231) 548-2261, ext. 1.

On the web: www.alansonvikings.net

CONCORD ACADEMY PETOSKEY

Tuesday, April 14: 4-6 p.m. Developmental kindergarten information also available.

Contact: Call (231) 439-6800 for more information.

On the web: www.concordpetoskey.com

HARBOR LIGHT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Contact the school for enrollment information at (231) 347-7859.

On the web: www.harborlightchristian.org

HARBOR SPRINGS PUBLIC SCHOOLS (SHAY ELEMENTARY)

Appointments are required and can be made by contacting (231) 526-4600.

Wednesday, April 29

Times are as follows:

8:30-9:15 a.m.

10-10:45 a.m.

1-1:45 p.m.

4-4:45 p.m.

5:30-6:15 p.m.

On the web: www.harborps.org

PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Appointment required.

Wednesday, April 21

Contact: Call (231) 539-8421, ext. 10013, to schedule an appointment.

On the web: www.pellstonschools.org

PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF PETOSKEY

Petoskey's round-up is **Tuesday, April 28** for registered students. Please contact Nicole Morrow, District Registrar, for registration information at (231) 348-2354 or email morrow.nm.y@northmen.org. Registration form online at www.petoskeyschools.org.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL

Open house style, no appointment necessary.

Thursday, April 16: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Preschool and developmental kindergarten information also available during this time.

Contact: Call (231) 347-3651 for an appointment.

On the web: www.petoskeysfxschool.org

For all kindergarten registrations:

Please bring proof of residency and your child's birth certificate, immunization records and custody documentation, if applicable. If you have questions about enrolling in kindergarten or the events detailed here, please contact the specific district.

Michigan law states that for the 2026-27 school year, a child who resides in a public school district providing kindergarten may be enrolled if the child is at least 5 years of age on or before Sept. 1, 2026. For children who will be 5 by Dec. 1, 2026, parents may enroll their child through written notification to the school district.

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Photo caption: Charlevoix preschoolers are preparing for the big transition to kindergarten in the fall! (Photo courtesy of Charlevoix Public Schools)