# **Executive Office on Early Learning (EOEL) Public Pre-Kindergarten Program**

# **Application Packet**School Year 2018 – 2019

- Eligibility Requirements and Application Information
- Application Checklist for Parents/Legal Guardians
- Application

#### Please Note:

- As space is limited, it is recommended that families submit the completed application and all required documents as soon as possible. Incomplete applications or those with missing documents will be returned and must be re-submitted in their entirety.
- For applications received by April 30, 2018: Children applying to their home school (who live within the geographic boundaries of that school) are enrolled in the order in which completed applications and all required documents were received by the school. If space is still available, non-home school students are then enrolled in the order in which completed applications and all required documents were received by the school.
- Read this packet to find out about the program's eligibility requirements and priority categories, application requirements, and acceptance and enrollment process.

#### **Executive Office on Early Learning (EOEL) Public Pre-Kindergarten Program**

# **Eligibility Requirements and Application Information**

School Year 2018-2019

Thank you for your interest in the EOEL Public Pre-Kindergarten Program. Please read the following information to find out about the program's eligibility requirements, application requirements, and acceptance and enrollment process.

#### Is my child eligible for this program?

To qualify, families must meet certain eligibility requirements:

- 1. Children must be age four on or before July 31 of the current school year.
  - For school year 2018 2019, children born on or between August 1, 2013 July 31, 2014 are eligible.
- 2. See application packet for priority categories that your child may be eligible for, which may include the income levels below:

Family Size	Maximum Monthly Gross Income*	Maximum <u>Yearly</u> Gross Income*
2	4,733	56,790
3	5,975	71,700
4	7,218	86,610
5	8,460	101,520
6	9,703	116,430
7	10,945	131,340
8	12,188	146,250
9	13,430	161,160
10	14,673	176,070

<sup>\*300%</sup> of Federal Poverty Guidelines for Hawaii

#### When can applications be submitted?

Applications and required documents can be <u>submitted from March 1, 2018</u> for the upcoming 2018 - 2019 school year. Please note that applications must be submitted in their entirety to be considered for eligibility. <u>Incomplete applications will be returned and must be re-submitted in their entirety</u>.

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#### How will students be selected?

Once a child is found to be eligible for the EOEL Public Pre-Kindergarten Program, selection for the program is determined by the order in which <u>complete packets</u> (applications and all required documents) were received. For <u>complete packets</u> received from March 1, 2018 to April 30, 2018, priority is given to those applying to their home schools. A home school is the school your child would attend based on the geographic location of your residence.

Each class is limited to 20 students. As space is limited, it is recommended that families <u>submit the</u> completed application and required documents as soon as possible.

#### Which school will I submit the application and required documents to?

Complete and submit the attached application along with the required documents to the school you would like your child to attend (see listing of schools on page 5).

A geographic exception is not required for the EOEL Public Pre-Kindergarten Program. However, priority is given to children who are applying to their home schools. These are the children who live within the geographic boundaries of the school. Contact the nearest school to find out whether your family resides in the school's home school area.

"Homeless" means individuals who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence (within the meaning of section 42 USCS §11302(a)(1)) and includes:

- (i) children and youth who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; are abandoned in hospitals; or are awaiting foster care placement.
- (ii) children and youth who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings (within the meaning of 42 USCS §11302(a)(2)(C));
- (iii) children and youth who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations or similar settings; and
- (iv) migratory children (as such term is defined in section 1309 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965) who qualify as homeless for the purposes of this subtitle.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please call 1-866-927-7095.

#### What do I need to submit to the school?

A completed application includes the documents listed on page 6 (Application Checklist). Please verify that all documents have been included with your submission. An application will not be accepted without all the required documents. (Please also attach a self-addressed, stamped envelope with each application.)

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#### How are children accepted into the program?

Acceptance into the program is determined as follows:

- 1. Age and financial eligibility requirements are met.
- 2. For applications received by April 30, 2018: Children applying to their home school (who live within the geographic boundaries of that school) are enrolled in the order in which completed applications and all required documents were received by the school. If space is still available, non-home school students are then enrolled in the order in which completed applications and all required documents were received by the school. Schools will send letters of acceptance to parents/legal guardians. The letters will instruct parents/legal guardians to enroll their child at the school office. Required school enrollment forms must be completed and submitted prior to the child's first day of attendance.
- 3. For applications received after April 30, 2018: Available spaces are filled solely based on the order in which completed applications and all required documents were received by the school. In other words, there is no priority given to children applying to home schools. Schools will send letters of acceptance to parents/legal guardians as applicable. The letters will instruct parents/legal guardians to enroll their child at the school office. Required school enrollment forms must be completed and submitted prior to the child's first day of attendance.
- 4. Once spaces are filled, the remaining applicants will be placed on a school-managed waitlist based on the order in which applications were received. Schools will send letters to parents/legal guardians notifying them of waitlist status.

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EOEL Public Pre-Kindergarten Program DOE Schools					
Island	School	Phone	Principal		
	Honoka'a Elementary	808-775-8820	Rory Souza		
	Ho'okena Elementary	808-328-2710	Nancy Jadallah		
	Kea'au Elementary	808-982-4210	Janice Blaber		
	Keonepoko Elementary	808-313-4500	Kasey Eisenhour		
Hawai'i	Kohala Elementary	808-889-7100	Danny Garcia		
	Konawaena Elementary	808-323-4555	Patricia Champagne		
	Mountain View Elementary	808-313-3200	Wilma Roddy		
	Na'alehu Elementary	808-313-4000	Darlene Javar		
	Ka'u High and Pāhala Elementary	808-313-4100	Sharon Beck		
	Pāhoa Elementary	808-313-4400	Michelle Payne Arakaki		
	'Ele'ele Elementary	808-335-2111	Paul Zina		
Kaua'i	Kekaha Elementary	808-337-7655	Marilyn Asahi		
Lāna'i	Lāna'i High and Elementary	808-565-7900	Elton Kinoshita		
Maui	Kula Elementary	808-876-7610	Chris Bachaus		
	Kaunakakai Elementary	808-553-1730	Daniel Espaniola		
Moloka'i	Kilohana Elementary	808-558-2200	Marilyn Simms		
	Kailua Elementary	808-266-7878	Allyson Doherty		
	Kalihi Uka Elementary	808-832-3310	Laura Ahn		
OL: I	Keolu Elementary	808-266-7818	Gay Kong		
O'ahu	Linapuni Elementary	808-305-2150	Cindy Sunahara		
	Nānākuli Elementary	808-307-8600	Lisa Ann Higa		
	Waiāhole Elementary	808-239-3111	Alexandra Obra		
	Waialua Elementary	808-637-8228	Scott Moore		

Pre-Kindergarten Classrooms Funded by Kamehameha Schools and Supported by EOEL Public Pre-Kindergarten Program					
Olahu	Nānāikapono Elementary	808-305-7800	Debra Knight		
O'ahu	Nānākuli Elementary (second classroom)	808-307-8600	Lisa Ann Higa		

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# **Application Checklist**

for Parents/Legal Guardians for School Year 2018-2019

 <ul> <li>Obtain a copy of the Application Packet from any one of the EOEL Public Pre-Kindergarten Program schools. Or download an application from earlylearning.hawaii.gov or www.hawaiipublicschools.org (search for "Early Learning").</li> </ul>
 <ul> <li>Find out if you are applying to your home school or not.</li> <li>Contact the school to find out if you reside in the home school area (within the geographic boundaries of the school). If you do, ask what documents are accepted for proof of residency. Make a copy of each document.</li> </ul>
 <ul> <li>Make a copy of one of the age-verifying documents listed below:</li> <li>Birth Certificate issued by State Department of Health (hospital documents and abstracts are not accepted)</li> <li>Passport</li> </ul>
 <ul> <li>Make a copy of one of the following verification documents listed below:</li> <li>Previous year's Federal Income Tax Return 1040 including all W-2s for each parent/legal guardian</li> <li>Remove all social security numbers. See samples in packet.</li> <li>As of May 1, 2018, only 2017 1040s and W-2s will be accepted.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Form 1463 - Request for Information from Department of Human Services (DHS)</li> <li>See sample in packet.</li> <li>Completed DHS Form 1463 (Request for Information) should reflect current eligibility for one of the following:         <ul> <li>Financial Assistance (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)</li> <li>Food Stamps (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - SNAP)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
• <b>Benefit Verification Letter</b> from Social Security Administration (SSA) to show evidence of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) eligibility. According to the SSA, you can request a benefit verification letter online by using your <i>my Social Security</i> account. This letter is sometimes called a "budget letter," a "benefits letter," a "proof of income letter," or a "proof of award letter." (See sample in packet.)
Evidence of Foster Care from Department of Human Services.
Complete the application.
• Obtain a copy from any one of the pre-kindergarten program schools. Or download an application from earlylearning.hawaii.gov or www.hawaiipublicschools.org (search for Early Learning).
 Attach a self-addressed, stamped envelope for each application.
Submit a complete packet (which includes a <u>completed application and copies of all required documents</u> ), to the school where you are applying. Wait for notification by mail regarding your child's eligibility for the program.

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Public Pre-Kindergarten Program Application for School Year 2018 – 2019

First Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Second Parent/Legal Guardian Signature (if applicable)

Please submit your application with the required documents to the school (see page 6).

Note: We are unable to review applications that do not have the required documents attached.

			Eligibility				
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0	<ul> <li>Your child must be age four on or before July 31 of the current school year.</li> <li>For school year 2018 - 2019, your child's birthday must fall on or between August 1, 2013 - July 31, 2014.</li> </ul>						
				_	regories. Please check all that apply:		
☐ Mont	hly/Yearly Gross Family Inco	me at or below 300% of t	he Federal Poverty Guide	elines (see page 2*	) 🗌 Foster Care		
	☐ Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ☐ Homeless, see page 3* ☐ English Language Learner (see "Language Information" section) *see "Application Packet"						
		Stude	ent Information				
Name of School Ap	pplying To						
Student's Legal Na	ame	Bir	th Date	Gender:   Male Female			
Residence Address	S			City	Zip Code		
Mailing Address (it	f different from residence add	lress)		City	Zip Code		
First Parent/Logal	Consider Name	First Parent/Le	gal Guardian Informat		t - Child		
First Parent/Legal	Guardian Name			Relationship to tl	ne Chila		
Marital Status:	Single $\square$ Married $\square$ Divor	ced Separated Wi	dowed				
Residence Address	s			City	Zip Code		
Mailing Address (if different from residence address)				City	Zip Code		
Home Phone Num	ber	Cell Phone Numbe	r	Additional Phone Number			
Email Address							
		d Parent/Legal Guardia	an Information - $\square$ N/ $\mu$				
Second Parent/Leg	gal Guardian Name			Relationship to the Child			
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<b>B</b> – Cantonese	<b>G</b> – Hawaiian	<b>L</b> – Chuukese	<b>Q</b> – Hmong	<b>V</b> – Portuguese			
<b>C</b> – Mandarin	<b>H</b> – Japanese	<b>M</b> – Pohnpeian	R – Lao	<b>W</b> – Spanish			
<b>D</b> – Ilocano	I – Korean	N – Cambodian	<b>S</b> – Marshallese	<b>X</b> – Thai			
E – Tagalog	<b>J</b> – Samoan	<b>O</b> – Chamorro	<b>T</b> – Pampango	<b>Y</b> – Tongan			
			Verification				
I hereby certify that the information provided in this application and in the supporting documents is complete and true to the best of my knowledge. I agree to provide additional information and documentation upon request to complete my application.							

Date

Date

SCHOOLS MUST COMPLETE THIS SECTION – PART I						
Student Information Completed Application and Required Documents Reviewed/Received						
Student's Legal Name	Date				Notes	
	Time				_	
Birth Date						
School's Initial Receipt of Application	☐ School					porting documents to Parent/Legal Guardian on
Date	Date:					
Time	Parent/Legal Guardian contacted regarding incomplete application and supporting documents on  Date:					
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Required Documents submitted	Eligibi Age Requi		If not app		Notes	
Birth Certificate or Passport	Approved		Under Age			
Financial Documents	Not		Over Age			
Financial Documents	Approved					
Home School ☐ Yes ☐ No If o	child lives ou	tside the s	school's geog	graphic ar	ea, list child's ho	me school:
Complete Attachment A for IDEA Service	es 🗌 Comp	oleted $\square$	Not Applica	ıble		
Note: DO NOT forward to EOEL without required documents and approval/non-approval for age.						
Reviewer's Name						
Reviewer's Signature Date						
Date Received		EOEL	. MUST COI	MPLETE	THIS SECTION	
Date Received       Eligibility: Income Requirement       □ Approved       □ Not Approved (exceeds FPG)					d  Not Approved (exceeds FPG)	
Notes						
Reviewer's Name						
Reviewer's Signature Date						
FOR SCHOOL USE – APPLICATION STATUS						
School office has sent to parent/legal guardian:						
☐ Approval letter (form letter provided to school by EOEL)						
☐ Denial letter (provided to school by EOEL)						
☐ Wait list letter (sample letter provided by EOEL)  Wait list #						