

Dear Fort Hamilton Families,

Do you have a child born in 2017? If so, you may apply to kindergarten this winter!

The kindergarten application period is not yet open, but it will be soon. Here is what you can do now to prepare:

- Fort Hamilton residents can enter your home address at <http://schoolsearch.schools.nyc/>.
- Create a MySchools account at <http://myschools.nyc/> and explore elementary schools in the searchable MySchools directory @ <https://www.myschools.nyc/en/schools/kindergarten/>.
- Visit the schools' individual websites to learn more about them. Each school's website is listed on its MySchools page.
- Attend open houses! Check schools' websites or contact them directly to learn if they will be hosting any virtual or in-person events. Visiting schools online or in person is a great way to imagine what it's like to go there.

All New York City families with children born in 2017 are encouraged to apply. Even if your child is currently attending a pre-K program, be sure to apply to kindergarten.

Want to learn more? Visit New York City kindergarten admissions website @ <http://schools.nyc.gov/kindergarten> and watch their video playlist, featuring several MySchools tutorials.

Still have questions? visit your local district Family Welcome Center <http://schools.nyc.gov/FWC>, or the Fort Hamilton SLO located at the Child and Youth Services Parent Central office, 412 Sterling Avenue or call 718-630-4805.

