
PRECHOOL - 12 REGISTRATION

New Student Registration is conducted online through our Registration Portal. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Central Registration at registrar@rahway.net or 732-396-2960.

To begin the registration process [click here](#) to create an application for Enrollment. If you are enrolling more than one student, you will have the opportunity to click "enroll another" student after the first student has been submitted. You will receive two email notifications for each student. The first email titled "**Welcome to Enrollment Express**" will be received immediately following submission of the initial registration form. The second email titled "**Rahway Public School Registration Further Steps**" will be received within one business day.

Registration requires documentation of immunizations, proof of age, proof of guardianship (or affidavit application) and proof of residency. Students entering the Rahway Public Schools are required to present documentation of medical examination (Physical) prior to their first day of school. Documents can be uploaded through the PowerSchool Parent Portal "Forms" during submission, emailed to registrar@rahway.net, or faxed to 732-396-2635.

A child's enrollment into the Rahway Public School District will be confirmed once all of the enrollment forms have been submitted through the parent portal and all required supporting documents have been approved.

School assignments and sessions of students entering Kindergarten through 12th Grade will be scheduled by the individual school secretaries or guidance counselors. Preschool children will be assigned by the Office of Early Childhood Education.

All assignments and sessions will be prioritized based on the child's completion date of enrollment, available space and are not determined solely by address of residence. Every effort will be made to accommodate parental requests.

I. PROOF OF AGE

* Birth Certificate (Passports are also accepted)

To enter **kindergarten**, children must be 5 years old on or before October 1st.

To enter **preschool**, children must be 3 or 4 years old on or before October 1st. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the preschool programs, please contact the Office of Early Childhood Education at 732-396-2968.

To enter **the preschool disabilities program (PSD/DAISY)**, children must be 3 years old and be evaluated by a child study team. Students who are eligible for the PSD program demonstrate delays in one or more of the following areas: cognition, communication, motor skills or self-help skills. If you believe your child may be eligible for the PSD program, contact Mr. Larry Abramowitz, Director of Student Services at 732-396-1035.

The child's date of birth is the sole determining factor for admission into preschool or kindergarten for resident children.

II. PROOF OF GUARDIANSHIP

If you are not the natural parent of the child, please present one of the following: court order, adoption papers or letter from state agency an affidavit application (available in each school) documents pertaining to military status and assignment.

III. PROOF OF RESIDENCY

The following forms of documentation may demonstrate a student's residency or domicile in the district. When an applicant's residency is in question, the case is to be referred to the attendance officer and the applicant granted provisional admission. Proof of residency, for purposes of attending public school in Rahway, is determined by providing adequate documentation.

Primary Proof of Residence - Please provide a copy of your mortgage, tax bill, or the first page of your current lease.

Alternate Proofs of Residence - (If a primary proof cannot be provided) Utility Bills, Cable/Internet Bills, Bank Statements (Do NOT upload social security cards or any documentation with sensitive information like credit card numbers)

If you cannot provide one of the listed forms of residency proof, please contact the registrar's office.

For student or families who are residing in someone else's home please complete one of the following affidavits below:

- **Residency - Special Circumstances Affidavit:** [Click Here](#) (Completed and signed by the Resident of Rahway stating the current living situation)
- **Affidavit Student:** Child not residing with Parent/Guardian ([Affidavit Forms](#) must be completed by the parent/guardian and the person with whom student resides)

IV. PROOF OF IMMUNIZATION AND MEDICAL EXAMINATION

The following list of immunizations is a guide to assist you in preparing your child for school entry. The school nurse will make the final determination of required immunizations at the time of registration. **A DOCTOR'S RECORD OF YOUR CHILD'S IMMUNIZATION IS REQUIRED.** Parents should arrange with their physician to start an immunization program immediately or to continue it if the program for the child has been started. Students without required immunizations will be enrolled, but admission will be deferred until documentation of immunizations is presented to the school except, when there are exemptions as recognized in law (NJAC 8:57-4). A pupil may be admitted to school on a provisional basis if a physician or health department indicates that immunization of the pupil has been initiated and that the pupil is in the process of complying with all immunization requirements. For more information about immunizations call your family doctor, a school nurse or the Board of Health.

**New Jersey Department of Health
MINIMUM IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IN NEW JERSEY
N.J.A.C. 8:57-4: IMMUNIZATION OF PUPILS IN SCHOOL**

Diseases (s)	Meets Immunization Requirements	Comments
DTaP//DTP	Age 1-6 years: 4 doses, with one dose given on or after the 4th birthday, OR any 5 doses. Age 7-9 years: 3 doses of Td or any previously administered combination of DTP, DTaP, and DT to equal 3 doses	Any child entering pre-school, and/or Pre-K needs a minimum of 4 doses. A booster dose is needed on or after the fourth birthday, to be in compliance with Kindergarten attendance requirements. Pupils after the seventh birthday should receive adult type Td. Please note: there is no acceptable titer test for pertussis.
Tdap	Grade 6 (or comparable age level for special education programs): 1 dose	For pupils entering Grade 6 on or after 9-1-08 and born on or after 1-1-97. A child is not required to have a Tdap dose until FIVE years after the last DTP/DTaP or Td dose.
Polio	Age 1-6 years: 3 doses, with one dose given on or after the 4th birthday, OR any 4 doses. Age 7 or Older: Any 3 doses	Any child entering pre-school, and/or Pre-K needs a minimum of 3 doses. A booster dose is needed on or after the fourth birthday to be in compliance with Kindergarten attendance requirements. Either Inactivated polio vaccine (IPV) or oral polio vaccine (OPV) separately or in combination is acceptable. Polio vaccine is not required of pupils 18 years or older.*
Measles	1 dose of live mumps-containing vaccine on or after the first birthday. 1 dose of live rubella-containing vaccine on or after the first birthday	Any child over 15 months of age entering child care, pre-school, or pre-Kindergarten needs a minimum of 1 dose of measles vaccine. Any child entering Kindergarten needs 2 doses. Intervals between first and second measles-containing vaccine doses cannot be less than 1 month. Laboratory evidence of immunity is acceptable.**
Rubella & Mumps	1 dose of live mumps-containing vaccine on or after the first birthday. 1 dose of live rubella-containing vaccine on or after the first birthday	Any child over 15 months of age entering child care, pre-school, or Pre-K needs 1 dose of rubella and mumps vaccine. Any child entering Kindergarten needs 1 dose each. Laboratory evidence of immunity is acceptable. **
Varicella	1 dose on or after the first birthday	All children 19 months of age and older enrolled into a child care/pre-school center after 9-1-04 or children born on or after 1-1-98 entering the school for the first time in Kindergarten or Grade 1 need 1 dose of varicella vaccine. Laboratory evidence of immunity, physician's statement or a parental statement of previous varicella disease is acceptable.
Haemophilus influenza B (Hib)	Age 2-11 Months: 2 doses Age 12-59 Months: 1 dose	Mandated only for children enrolled in child care, pre-school, or Pre-K: Minimum of 2 doses of Hib-containing vaccine is needed if between the ages of 2-11 months. Minimum of 1 dose of Hib-containing vaccine is needed after the first birthday.***
Hepatitis B	K-Grade 12: 3 doses or Age 11-15 years: 2 doses	If a child is between 11-15 years of age and has not received 3 prior doses of Hepatitis B then the child is eligible to receive 2-dose Hepatitis B Adolescent formulation.
Pneumococcal	Age 2-11 months: 2 doses Age 12-59 months: 1 dose	Mandated only for children enrolled in child care, pre-school, or Pre-K: Minimum of 2 doses of pneumococcal conjugate vaccine is needed if between the ages of 2-11 months. Minimum of 1 dose of pneumococcal conjugate vaccine is needed after the first birthday. ***
Meningococcal	Entering Grade 6 (or comparable age level for Special Ed programs): 1 dose	For pupils entering Grade 6 on or after 9-1-08 and born on or after 1-1-97. *** This applies to students when they turn 11 years of age and attending Grade 6.
Influenza	Ages 6-59 Months: 1 dose annually	For children enrolled in child care, pre-school, or Pre-K on or after 9-1-08. 1 dose to be given between September 1 and December 31 of each year. Students entering school after December 31 up until March 31 must receive 1 dose since it is still flu season during this time period.

* Footnote: The requirement to receive a school entry booster dose of DTP or DTaP after the child's 4th birthday shall not apply to children while in child care center, preschool or pre kindergarten classes or programs.

The requirement to receive a school entry dose of OPV or IPV after the child's 4th birthday shall not apply to children while in child care centers, preschool or pre kindergarten classes or programs.

** Footnote: Antibody Titer Law (Holly's Law) - This law specifies that a titer test demonstrating immunity be accepted in lieu of receiving the second dose of measles-containing vaccine. The tests used to document immunity must be approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for this purpose and performed by a laboratory that is CLIA certified.

*** Footnote: No acceptable immunity tests currently exist for Haemophilus Influenzae type B, Pneumococcal, and Meningococcal.

CHILDREN BORN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 1997 AND ENROLLED IN GRADE SIX OR TRANSFERRING INTO A NEW JERSEY SCHOOL FROM ANOTHER STATE OR COUNTRY ARE REQUIRED TO RECEIVE ONE DOSE OF T_DAP, PROVIDED AT LEAST FIVE YEARS HAVE ELAPSED SINCE THE LAST DOCUMENTED T_D DOSE.

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Every pupil who enters the district for the first time shall present a written report of a medical examination conducted within one year prior to enrollment, signed and dated by the pupil's physician. The report shall include a record of immunizations, medical history including allergies, past serious illnesses, injuries and operations, medications and current health problems; health screenings including height, weight, hearing, blood pressure, and vision.

IF YOU ARE AWARE OF ANY MIGRANT, HOMELESS OR POTENTIALLY DISABLED CHILDREN AGES 3 TO 21, PLEASE CONTACT MR. ABRAMOWITZ AT (732) 396-1035. INFORMATION ON EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAMS FOR SPECIAL CHILDREN FROM BIRTH TO AGE 3 CAN BE OBTAINED BY CALLING **PROJECT CHILD FIND at 1-800-322-8174.**