



May 25, 2018

«Parent1\_Name»  
 «Parent2\_Name»  
 «Address»  
 «CityZip»

Dear Parent of «Childs\_First\_Name» «Childs\_Last\_Name»,

The assessment and review of documents related to your application for Early Admission to Kindergarten for «Childs\_First\_Name» «Childs\_Last\_Name» have been completed. As stated in *Information Regarding Early Admission to Kindergarten for the 2018-19 School Year* and in accordance with Howard County Public School System’s Policy 9000, students admitted early to kindergarten must **demonstrate an exceptionally high degree** of skills.

Each child was assessed in a standardized manner and the same criteria was used for each applicant. Each application was evaluated based on six categories which were scored as:

- A** = Advanced – Demonstrating skills of a highly able kindergartener
- P** = Proficient – Demonstrating skills of an average kindergartener
- B** = Basic – Not yet demonstrating skills of a kindergartener

In order to be admitted early to kindergarten, **both** of the following must occur:

- one of the two Developmental Checklists in the Social /Emotional/Behavioral Category must be scored as *Advanced (A)*; neither of the two can be scored as *Basic (B)*.
- three of the four areas in the Academic Category must be scored as *Advanced (A)*; none of the four can be scored as *Basic (B)*.

The scores associated with your child’s application for early admission are as follows:

<b>Social /Emotional /Behavioral Category for «Childs_First_Name» «Childs_Last_Name»</b>			
In order to be admitted early to kindergarten, at <b>least one (1) of the</b> Developmental Checklists must be scored as <i>Advanced (A)</i> and <b>no</b> Checklist can be scored as <i>Basic (B)</i> .			
Develop mental Checklis t A Preschoo l Teacher/ Non- Related Adult	<b>«Cklist_A_Rating_5763_4556_044_____»</b>	Develop mental Checklist B Parent/G uardian	<b>«Cklist_B_Rating__5460_4453_043»</b>
Student meets Social/Emotional/Behavioral Criteria? <b>«Meet_Social_Emotional_Criteria»</b>			

<b>Academic Category for «Childs_First_Name» «Childs_Last_Name»</b>	
In order to be admitted early to kindergarten, at <b>least three (3) of the</b> academic areas	

must be scored as <i>Advanced (A)</i> and <b>no</b> academic area can be scored as <i>Basic (B)</i> .			
General Knowledge	«GK_Rating_2327_15 22_014»	Graphomotor/ Writing	«Graph_Rating_3981_ 1638_015»
Reading	«Rdg_Rating_6778_ 2566_024»	Mathematics	«Math_Rating_2128_1 120_010»
Student meets Academic Criteria? «Meet_Academic_Criteria»			

Based upon the scores detailed on the first page of this letter, your child **will not** be admitted early to kindergarten.

As stated in Policy 9000 and in the timeline on the HCPSS website:

<http://www.hcpss.org/enroll/early-admission/kindergarten/>, parents may appeal the early admission assessment results. Your written appeal must be sent to the following address within 10 calendar days of the date of this letter:

Division of School Management and Instructional Leadership  
Howard County Public School System  
10910 Clarksville Pike  
Ellicott City, MD 21042  
Attn: Performance Officers

If an appeal is filed, the Division of School Management and Instructional Leadership staff will review the **written** appeal to ensure that the selection process for early admission was implemented in an accurate and fair manner. You will be notified in writing of the decision regarding your appeal.

We look forward to meeting your child when s/he becomes part of the Howard County Public School System.

Thank you,



Lisa J. Davis, Coordinator  
Early Childhood Programs