# Maryland State Department of Education Pre-K Program for 3- and 4-Year-Olds

The child development experts at Kennedy Krieger Institute are excited to offer an inclusive early childhood education program for preschool-aged children. This full-day program provides enriching child development and comprehensive learning experiences for children through play and open-ended exploration. There is a low student-to-staff member ratio that allows the learning and emotional needs of each child to be met. Only 20 slots are available, so apply now for the upcoming school year!

## **COST**

This program is free to families whose income is no more than 300% above the federal poverty line (see chart below). Families will be asked to provide proof of income during the registration process. There are limited self-pay slots for interested families who do not fit the eligibility requirements.

# LOCATION

Kennedy Krieger Institute, Greenspring Campus, Creamer Building, 3901 Greenspring Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21211

Transportation is not provided.

### **HOURS**

8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Monday-Friday Classrooms will stagger arrival and departure times.

### **CRITERIA**

- Child must be 3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2022
- Child must be a Maryland resident
- Families must provide transportation for their children
- Parent must take part in virtual parent-training activities during the school year

# **COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS**

- Small class size
- Personal protective equipment for staff members and children
- Adherence to health and safety guidelines set by the CDC, the Maryland State Department of Education and Kennedy Krieger Institute
- Thorough cleaning and sanitation procedures
- Virtual instruction provided in the event of unexpected school closures



## **CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS**

- Breakfast, lunch and snack offered daily
- Circle time
- Arts and crafts activities
- Literacy, science and math activities
- Free play

### **INCOME GUIDELINES**

Families must be at or below:

Household Size	300% Above Federal Poverty Line	Household Size	300% Above Federal Poverty Line
1	\$40,770	5	\$97,410
2	\$54,930	6	\$111 <i>,57</i> 0
3	\$69,090	7	\$12 <i>5,7</i> 30
4	\$83,250	8	\$139,890

### **HOW TO APPLY**

Request an application from Diane Appel at Appel@KennedyKrieger.org or 443-923-7699.

Openings will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis, pending eligibility.

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