# HULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS INTEGRATED PRESCHOOL OVERVIEW

#### Purpose

The Integrated Preschool program is designed to include both young children with disabilities and typically developing peers. While addressing the individual needs of students receiving special education services, the Integrated Preschool Program emphasizes the development of all children within an appropriate curriculum, based on the Massachusetts Department of Secondary and Elementary Education Preschool Curriculum Frameworks. Classrooms are designed to support learning through play with meaningful instruction in all content areas (ELA, math, science, social studies, social-emotional / play and learning) that foster all areas of a child's development: cognitive, social, emotional, and physical.

## Admission Procedure

Typically developing peers are considered to be those children who do not currently receive special education services. They are expected to demonstrate age-appropriate skills (within 6 months) in the areas of speech-language, cognitive abilities, fine and gross motor, socialization and behavioral skills. All preschoolers must reside within Hull. Preferences will be given to children who will be 3 years old by the District's first day of school, as noted on the HPS school calendar for the half-day program and 4-year-olds for the full-day program. **Peers must also be fully toilet trained.** 

Eligibility for special education services is determined through a team evaluation process. The Integrated Preschool Education Team evaluates children ages 3-5 to determine if they meet the state-mandated criteria for eligibility for special education services. Children with disabilities can be referred by parents, teachers, pediatricians, student support teams, and private community care providers. Students eligible for special education services must have a signed Individual Education Program (IEP) as well as other required registration forms on file to begin receiving services. Anyone who feels their child may be in need of special education services can receive further information by contacting the Office of Student Services at 781-925-4400 x 1121.

#### **Application Process**

Applications are available at the Office of Student Services located at the Administration Office of the Hull Public Schools, 18 Harborview Road, or online at: <a href="Integrated Preschool">Integrated Preschool</a> Hull Public Schools. Applications should be returned to the Student Services office. Please contact the Office of Student Services at 781-925-4400 Extension 1121 if you have any questions.

### Hours and Tuition

The Half Day Integrated Preschool Program is in session on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays following the Hull Public Schools calendar. The morning session is from 8:30 am. to 11:10 am. The afternoon session is from 11:50 pm. to 2:30 pm. The 4-year-old Full Day Integrated Preschool Program is in session on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm. There are no preschool classes on Wednesdays. Parents of peers are required to provide transportation.

Preschool tuition for the half-day program is \$2,000 a year including a deposit of \$300. Tuition for the full-day program is \$4,200 a year including a deposit of \$400. The deposit for new students is due at time of registration or May 1, 2024. The deposit for returning peers is due June 1. Remaining tuition payments are due on or by August 15 and February 1. Please contact Patty Gardiner at 781-924-4400 ext. 1112 to discuss an alternative payment schedule or for financial aid information.