Pre-kindergarten Scholarship Program City of Miami Beach Info Session (School Year 2025-2026)

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Purpose of Informational Session

1. City of Miami Beach Pre-Kindergarten Scholarship Program Overview

2. Family Application and Lottery Process

3. Discuss next steps





Overview of Prekindergarten Scholarship Program

- ➤ City funded program will provide a stipend of up to \$3,000.00 per school year, to cover up to an additional 450 instructional hours (up to 2.5 hours per day for 180 days)
- ➤ Can be applied toward educational programming occurring during regular school hours, not after-school hours
- Funding will cover 158 Miami Beach resident children, chosen through a lottery of eligible applicants



Miami Beach Child Eligibility for 2025-2026

- Families who live in the City of Miami Beach and who have a child(ren) who is 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2025
- Children born between February 2, 2020 and September 1,
 2021 are eligible to participate
- ➤ Child must be enrolling in PreK for the 2025-2026 academic school year



How to View Your Status:

- Visit the PreK Website
- ➤ Log into your Parent/Guardian Portal
- Click "Application PreK"
- Ensure the top right button "SY: 2025-2026" is for the correct school year:
- Click "View" next to the childs name





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ASK A QUESTION

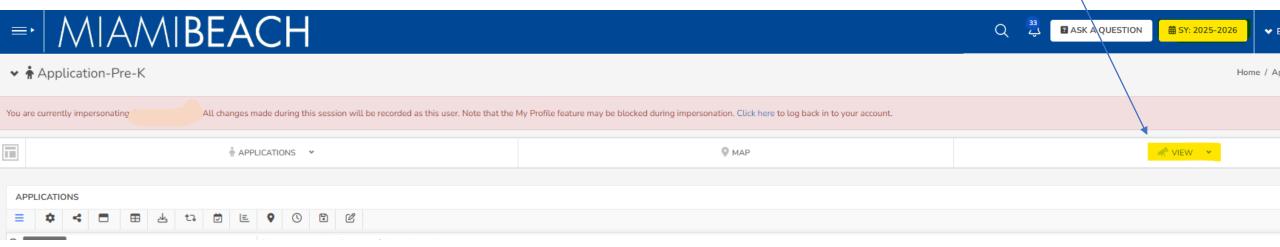
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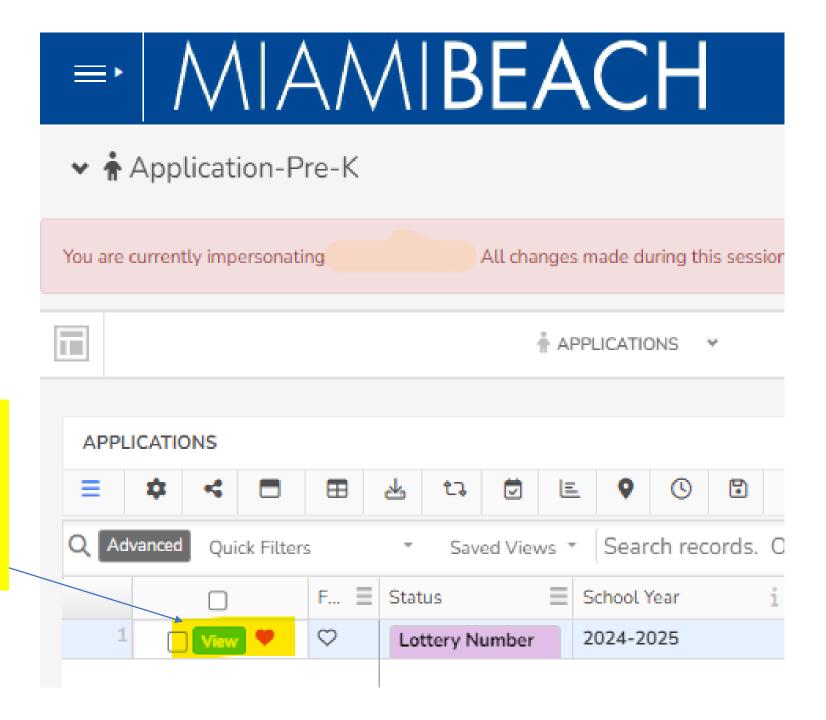
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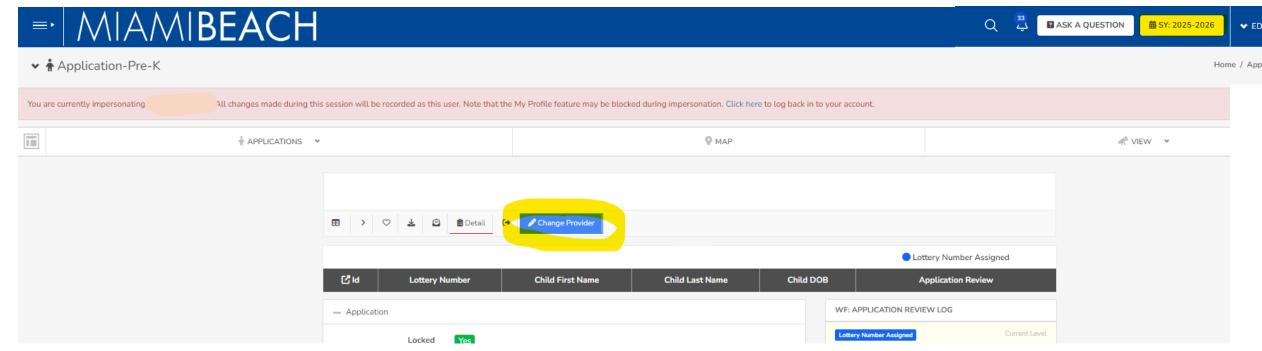


Click "View" to see additional details or make changes to your child's application



How to Change a PreK Provider:

- 1. Go to the child's application
- 2. Click "View" button
- 3. Click "Change Provider" on the menu bar and select new provider * Make sure you are on the correct school year ("SY: 2025-2026")





Application Status:

- Lottery Number Assigned: Provider is notified to select if the child is enrolled or not enrolled for PreK in 2025-2026
- Child Waitlisted: Child has been waitlisted and will be moved off the waitlist once a scholarship is available
- Not Enrolled by Provider and Family: Provider notifies the City that the child is not enrolled by the provider for PreK 2025-2026. Another school must be selected
- Confimatory Letter in Process: A confirmatory letter has been sent through DocusSign to the Chief Education Officer, Family, and Provider to be completed
- > Won Lottery: The lottery has been won. No further action is required until the start of the school year



Application for Families open September 9, 2024

Miami Beach Family informational sessions September 9 – September 16, 2024

Applications for Families due December 2, 2024 www.miamibeachfl.gov/prek

Application for Providers available www.miamibeachfl.gov/prek

Family/Provider executed
Confirmatory Letter due to CMB

Aug. 2024

Sept. 2024

Dec.2024

Jan. 2024

Prekindergarten Provider informational sessions hosted

Application for Providers available www.miamibeachfl.gov/prek

Miami Beach Family informational sessions flyer distributed

Lottery December 6, 2024

Notification to Families and public posting

Notification to Provider of MB family selection



Lottery Process

- Program funding is limited, not all persons on the lottery waitlist will be contacted
- > Staff will contact applicants in the order of selection by a computerized lottery process which will establish a numerical order of service until all funds are exhausted
- Results from the lottery will be posted on the City's website including parent/guardian name, confirmation number, and lottery number



Provider Payment

- ➤ Providers will be paid at their regular rate or \$6.66 per hour, whichever is less, for up to 2.5 hours per day for 180 days, not to exceed \$3,000 per applicable school year per participant child
- > Any discounts based on income or other Provider offerings will decrease the amount due from the City
- ➤ If the amount exceeds the City allowed \$6.66/hr, the parent/guardian is responsible for any additional funds owed



Next Steps

- ☐ Ensure your child is enrolled in PreK for the 2025-2026 academic school year with the PreK Provider listed on your application
- ☐ Contact your PreK Provider to ensure they click "Enrolled" in their PreK Portal
- ☐ Sign the Confirmatory Letter via DocuSign
- ☐ Sign a tuition agreement with your PreK Provider once the Confirmatory Letter has been executed stating the reduction of the City of Miami Beach PreK Scholarship





Q&A

