

Dear Parents,

Thank you for inquiring about the DHS Early Child Development Laboratory Program for the 2024-2025 school year. The program will operate from early October through mid-May, following MCPS closings for holidays and weather-related issues. There will be a morning session offered at Damascus High School this year from 7:50 a.m.to 10:50 a.m., Monday through Thursday and some Fridays. Applications for children are accepted on an annual basis. The program's curriculum is appropriate for the year before a child enters kindergarten. Children must be 4 years of age by September 1, 2024, toilet trained, and have all required health forms on file by the beginning of school. **Please keep in mind that the program is designed for the preschooler who can cope with daily changes and flexible scheduling.** Special education services are not provided through this program. Younger children will be considered as space allows.

A completed application and a \$100.00 non-refundable deposit will hold a spot for the next school year. *Checks made out to "DHS ECD Laboratory Program."

Paperwork needed to enroll:

- 1. Early Child Development Laboratory Program Application 2024-2025
- 2. Montgomery County Public Schools Early Child Development Laboratory Procedures 2024-2025 (Will be emailed once it is updated by the county)
- 3. MCPS Student Record Card #6 Health Inventory: https://ww2.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/forms/pdf/sr-6.pdf
- 4. Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Immunization Certificate https://www2.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/siteassets/Schools/High-Schools/A-J/damascushs/uploadedFiles/departments/cte/child_dev/immunization_record.pdf
- 5. Permission to Photo Form (will be handed out at preschool orientation)
- 6. Emergency Contact Form (will be emailed once accepted)

The tuition balance of \$500.00 will be due at Preschool Orientation in September (date TBD by group email). * Please note that placement of a child in DHS Early Child Development Laboratory Program is on a first applied basis.

If you have any questions, please email Kimberly Krill at Kimberly A Krill@mcpsmd.org

Sincerely,

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