

HINGHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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ELEMENTARY DEVELOPMENTAL HISTORY

Please respond to all questions as fully as possible to help us determine the manner in which we can best meet your child's needs in kindergarten.

Child's Full Name: _____ Gender: Male Female
Last First Middle

What name would you like your child to be called in school? _____

Birth Date: _____

Child lives with: Both parents Mother only Father only
 Other (please specify) _____

Child's household includes (please list siblings and significant others):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Language(s) spoken in the home: _____

Has your child had any previous school or group experiences? If yes, where and when.

Place: _____ Date: _____

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DEVELOPMENTAL HISTORY

HEALTH

Child's birth was: full term premature

Please describe any prenatal or birth complications.

Please describe your child's history of:

Vision problems: _____

Allergies: _____

Hearing problems (include chronic or occasional ear infections, tubes): _____

Is your child subject to frequent colds? _____

Has your child had any major illnesses, injuries, surgeries, or hospitalizations? (Please describe.)

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Has your child had any assessments by a specialist, such as psychological, educational, physical, medical? When and where?

Has your child participated in any early intervention program? Yes No

Please describe your child's sleeping habits (requires little sleep, naps often, wakes often, wets bed, etc.).

How much sleep does your child typically get each night? ___ hrs. / Typically goes to bed at ___ pm and wakes at ___ am.

Please describe your child's eating habits (eats three full meals, snacks often, fussy eater, etc.).

MOTOR DEVELOPMENT

At approximately what age did your child first:

Sit? _____ Crawl? _____ Stand? _____ Walk? _____ Become toilet trained? _____

Please check the motor skills your child has acquired.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Runs | <input type="checkbox"/> Rides tricycle or bicycle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hops | <input type="checkbox"/> Throws and catches ball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Skips | <input type="checkbox"/> Uses crayons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Balances on one foot | <input type="checkbox"/> Uses pencils and holds correctly |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Climbs stairs correctly | <input type="checkbox"/> Uses scissors |

Child has developed: right-handedness left-handedness undecided

LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

At approximately what age did your child first:

say words? _____ speak in sentences? _____

How much does your child talk at home? _____

Outside the home? _____

Do you have any concerns about your child's speech or language development? If so, please explain.

BEHAVIORAL DEVELOPMENT

Please describe your child's behavior with peers in detail (is uncertain or timid, confident or self-assured, seems enthusiastic, dependent on others, has many friends, prefers to play alone, joins in group activities readily, etc.).

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What kind of play activities does your child prefer (indoor: puzzles, books, quiet time; outdoor: active, passive, etc.)?

How physically active is your child?

How would you characterize your child's attention span?

What age level does your child prefer in playmates?

How much (on average) screen time (TV and other electronic devices) does your child have per day? _____

How often is your child read to? _____

Does your child show imagination in:

story telling? _____ drawing? _____ building and making things? _____ play activities? _____

Does your child have any special style or ways of communicating his/her feelings? How do you know if he/she is angry, sad, etc.? _____

How do you engage your child's cooperation? What works? _____

Have there been any significant experiences in your child's life about which the school should be aware? (e.g. moves, illnesses, deaths, fears)

What are your child's strengths and special interests? _____

In what areas does your child need support or encouragement? _____

What do you hope your child will learn in kindergarten? _____

Would your child do better if assigned to a different classroom from any particular child? _____

READINESS

Please check activities your child can do:

- | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|
| Remembers short messages | <input type="checkbox"/> | Follows two or more directions at one time | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| States: | <input type="checkbox"/> address | <input type="checkbox"/> telephone number | <input type="checkbox"/> birthday | |
| Identifies: | <input type="checkbox"/> colors | <input type="checkbox"/> shapes | <input type="checkbox"/> letters | <input type="checkbox"/> numbers |
| Reads: | <input type="checkbox"/> signs | <input type="checkbox"/> easy words | <input type="checkbox"/> sentences | <input type="checkbox"/> books (independently) |
| Dresses self | <input type="checkbox"/> | Repeats familiar nursery rhymes | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

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SPECIAL NEEDS

Is there a family history of learning difficulties? Please specify.

Has your child received any special education services under federal and state disability laws? Please specify.

Do you have any concerns about your child which might indicate a need for special services? Please specify.

OTHER INFORMATION

What else would you like us to know about your child so that she/he may have a positive experience in kindergarten?

Signature

Date