

# Hillsborough County's Summer VPK 2026

This **FREE** voluntary prekindergarten program is designed to prepare Florida's 4-year-olds for successful entry into kindergarten. Program will serve minimum of 300 instructional hours for the Summer 2026 program.

## What Parents Will Need:

1. An active e-mail address
2. Access to the Internet and a scanner or mobile device
3. One Proof of Florida Residency:
  - Valid Florida driver's license or identification card
  - Utility bill—electric, gas, water, or cable bill
  - Pay stub
  - Residential rental agreement valid for the current year, which is dated, includes the landlord and renter name(s), complete property address, and signatures of landlord and renter
  - Property tax assessment showing homestead exemption
  - Military order showing that the child's parent is a service member in the United States Armed Forces and is assigned to duty in Florida
4. One Proof of Age:
  - Birth certificate—original or certified copy
  - Passport or visa
  - Immunization record—indicating child's date of birth and signed by a public health officer or licensed physician
  - Valid military dependent identification card

*\* Families will need to separately scan and upload supporting age and residency documents.*

To register for the Florida Voluntary Prekindergarten Program (VPK), visit the Family Portal at:



<https://familyservices.floridaearlylearning.com/>

Families will receive an email once their application has been approved. Families may log in to their Family Services Portal to access their VPK certificate. They must then print the certificate and take it to the approved VPK provider of their choosing.

Parents with questions or needing assistance with the VPK online registration process are welcome to call our Family Services team at 813-515-2340.



## Frequently Asked Questions

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR SUMMER VPK?

To be eligible for Summer VPK, your child must:

- Reside in the State of Florida; and
- Be 4 years old on or before September 1, 2026.

Please note: Children who have already participated in a School-Year VPK program are not eligible for Summer VPK.

### WHERE IS SUMMER VPK?

In Hillsborough County, Summer VPK is offered at select public schools and private early learning providers. Families have the flexibility to choose the provider that best meets their needs.

To explore participating locations, visit our list of approved Summer VPK providers on the following pages.

### WHAT IF I DON'T HAVE A COMPUTER, ACCESS TO THE INTERNET?

Visit the ELCHC lobby or a Children's Board Family Resource Center near you.

Find locations at:

**[www.familysupporthc.org](http://www.familysupporthc.org)**

# Private Providers

Families should check with individual private providers regarding the times and start and end dates of their 2026 Summer VPK Programs.

Provider Name	Address	City	Zip	Main Phone
Lutz Pre-Prep	17951 N US HIGHWAY 41	Lutz	33549	813 428-7107
Best Friends for Kidz	408 E LUMSDEN RD	Brandon	33511	813-684-2636
The Children of Destiny Early Learning Center	121 W PROSSER DR	Plant City	33563	813-757-0003

## Public School Sites



In elementary schools, Summer VPK is held Monday - Thursday, closed on Fridays. The program day will begin at 7:00 a.m. and end at 5:30 p.m.

**Summer 2026 dates: June 4 – July 24, 2026**

**Locations: Bryan, Chiles, Cypress Creek, Davis, DeSoto, Lanier, McKittrick, Roosevelt, Schmidt, Twin Lakes, Valrico**

### Register NOW in two steps!

- 1) Go to [elhc.org](http://elhc.org) to start the registration process and apply for the REQUIRED Certificate of Eligibility (COE).
- 2) Bring your certificate to the VPK school to finalize the process and secure a summer VPK seat at that site.

To apply online, parents will need the following:

- An active email address
  - A digital copy of proof of your child's date of birth and proof of your Florida residency
  - Access to a printer to print out your VPK Certificate of Eligibility (COE)
- Child must be 5 years old or turn 5 on or before September 1, 2026. Child may not have previously attended a VPK Program during the school year

### VPK questions?

**Call our VPK Hotline  
(813) 272-4516**