

**Robbinsville Board of Education
and
Sharon Elementary School**



**A Full Day, Tuition Based
Kindergarten Program for
Non-resident Students**

www.KindeRvillenj.com

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A Bit of Background

Faced with a steady rise in student enrollment, the residents of Robbinsville Township voted to authorize a building referendum for Robbinsville Schools in a special election held on December 11, 2012. The project consisted of renovations to and expansion of Pond Road and Sharon Schools leaving the district enough space to educate students into the foreseeable future. Prior to securing voter approval, however, the district invested in a standalone, five classroom modular classroom building that is now available to house non-resident students for kindergarten on a tuition basis.

Robbinsville has a long history of providing an outstanding full day kindergarten program for district students. The ability to offer this experience to non-resident students through the KindeRville program creates a win-win situation for resident and non-resident families since it provides a needed service to neighboring communities and will generate revenue to improve district programs.

Priced competitively in the kindergarten market, KindeRville promises to prepare students well for first grade making the opportunity a strong investment for neighboring families. Tuition students will be enrolled as district students for kindergarten opening them to a comprehensive and rewarding Sharon School experience.



About Robbinsville Schools

We believe that strong educational experiences where students thrive academically, socially, and emotionally are the bedrock of a strong school district. Learning in an environment that makes personal learning connections and values the social curriculum as much as the academic curriculum is vital for students from kindergarten through graduation. In Robbinsville we create connections with students that run deeply so that the strongest foundation is laid for a life of learning and growth.

Robbinsville Schools is a competitive Pre K through 12 school district that prepares students for entrance in the most competitive colleges and universities. Sequencing from a strong foundation in kindergarten and spiraling learning experiences throughout a child's academic career creates optimal conditions in which the needs of each learner are met. We believe in the importance of tailoring learning experiences to the needs of each learner and we believe that a personal feel and connection in school is vital for every child. We are proud that Robbinsville students have the chance to learn in a rigorous academic environment yet are supported in a nurturing and caring context.

Our district is comprised of three schools and nearly 3,000 students. Students in preschool through grade 4 attend Sharon Elementary School and those in grades 5-8 attend Pond Road Middle School. Robbinsville High School houses students in grades 9-12. All three school facilities offer a high quality school program in state of the art facilities. The district is proud of its educational track record yet continues to strive for improvement in order to rival the very best school districts in the state.

Dates to Remember

Sept. 7, 2017 – First Day of School
Sept. 21, 2017 – Closed – Rosh Hashanah
Oct. 19, 2017 – Closed – Staff Professional Day
Oct. 26-31, 2017 – Early Dismissal – K-8 Conferences
Nov. 9-10, 2017 – Closed – NJEA Convention
Nov. 23-24, 2017 – Closed – Thanksgiving
Dec. 25, 2017 – Jan. 1, 2018 – Closed – Winter Recess
Jan. 15, 2018 – Closed – Martin Luther King
Feb. 16, 2018 – Closed – Staff Professional Day
Feb. 19, 2018 – Closed – President's Day
Feb. 20-23, 2018 – Early Dismissal – K-8 Conferences
Mar. 30 – April 6, 2018 – Closed – Spring Recess
Apr. 26, 2018 – Closed – Staff Professional Day
May 28, 2018 – Closed – Memorial Day
June 18-20, 2018 – Early Dismissal
June 20, 2018 – Last Day of School

Sharon School Promise

When we care about each other and our school
we share what we have, listen carefully,
help each other learn, work hard,
and have fun together.

We understand that everyone makes mistakes,
that we stand up for ourselves and others
and when someone asks us to stop, we stop!
This is who we are even when no one is watching!

Sharon School Culture

The culture at Sharon Elementary School centers upon developing the whole child within a safe and caring environment. Students are challenged to become independent, lifelong learners, and responsible citizens. The school community is committed to cultivating the confidence and resilience needed for students to thrive in our rapidly changing world. KindeRville also features:

- Small class size (18-22 students)
- Lunch period in our newly renovated cafeteria
- Responsive Classroom / Morning Meeting
- Bucket Filler (Kindness) Program
- School-wide assemblies
- Week of Respect
- Fire Prevention Week
- Annual kindergarten performance / musical
- Field Trips
- Specialized personnel on site, i.e. School Nurse Counselor, etc.

Curriculum Initiatives

KindeRville provides students with a developmentally appropriate foundation for learning through academics and is balanced with play.

- **Wilson Foundations** - Provides phonological / phonemic awareness, incorporating a 30-minute daily lesson into language arts classroom instruction
- **Readers Workshop** - Fosters a love of reading by encouraging students to choose their own books and provides meaningful time for independent reading
- **Writers Workshop** - Builds fluency in writing through continuous, repeated exposure to the process of writing
- **Everyday Math** - Ensures student mastery of key math concepts by revisiting content in a variety of contexts and by helping students understand real world connections in math
- **Inquiry-Based Science** – Integrates literacy and math with science teaching and learning
- **Special Subject Area Studies** - Include Physical Education, Music, Art, Technology



Why Full Day Kindergarten?

- **Longitudinal data demonstrate that children in full-day kindergarten classes show greater reading and mathematics achievement gains than those in half-day classes. (Walston and West)**
- **Teachers have more time to get to know kids and to identify and address their learning challenges early, increasing the odds that children will be successful later in school. (Center for Evaluation & Education Policy)**
- **Full-day kindergarten offers social, emotional and intellectual benefits to students, giving them more time to focus and reflect on activities, and transition between them. (National Institute for Early Education Research)**
- **Full-day kindergarten provides a bridge between prekindergarten programs and more structured learning in first grade. (Education Commission of the States)**
- **A full-day program, coupled with excellent after-care (R.E.D.) is practical and convenient for working families.**

Monthly Tuition

- The tuition rate for the KindeRville full day non-resident kindergarten program is \$800 per month.
- A non-refundable (except in the event of district cancellation) deposit in the amount of \$400 is due at time of registration.
- A 10 month payment plan will be in effect beginning August 1, 2017.
- Payments can be made by accessing the Robbinsville Web Store at <http://robbinsville.revtrak.net/> or by check made payable to the Robbinsville Board of Education.
- The final tuition payment of the 2017-2018 school year, due on May 15, 2018, will total \$400. The initial \$400 deposit will be applied to the student's account at this time.

Registration is as Easy as 1-2-3!

1. Visit www.KindeRvillenj.com to register and make your initial deposit of \$400.
2. Expect an email within 2-3 business days confirming registration and payment as well as a link directing you to some additional forms, i.e. Allergy Questionnaire, Health Records, etc.
3. Complete these forms and call the Robbinsville Schools Central Registration Office at 609-632-0910 (2281) to make an appointment to drop them off. Central Registration is located at 155 Robbinsville Edinburg Road, Robbinsville, NJ 08691.

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KindeRville Quick Facts

- **Open to children of neighboring districts who will be five years of age by October 1, 2017**
- **Space limited – First come, first served**
- **KindeRville will be taught by certified tenure track Robbinsville teachers**
- **The school day starts at 8:55AM and dismisses at 3:40PM**
- **Transportation to and from KindeRville will be unavailable**
- **Parents can opt to enroll students in the Robbinsville Extended Day (R.E.D.) program, our in-house before and after care program (7:00 AM – 6:30 PM)**

Helpful Links

- Link to KindeRville at www.KindeRvillenj.com
- Link to Sharon Elementary School website at <http://robbinsvilleses.ss10.sharpschool.com/>
- Follow us on Twitter at Bitsbyboomer <https://twitter.com/bitsbyBoomer>
- Link to Robbinsville Extended Day website at http://robbinsville.ss10.sharpschool.com/r_e_d
- Link to Robbinsville Schools website for calendars, curriculum and other district wide information at <http://robbinsville.ss10.sharpschool.com/home>
- Link to New Jersey School Performance Report for Sharon Elementary School at <http://www.nj.gov/education/pr/1415/21/215510050.pdf>