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Board of Education

TO: Board of Education
FROM: Asst. Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, Lea DeLuca
DATE: February 19, 2026
RE: Kindergarten & Returning Student Registration

This memo is:

[X] Information only.
[ ] Information with a recommendation, and a request for Board consent.
[ ] Information with a recommendation, and a request for Board approval by vote.

Date by which a Board decision is needed: _____

Previous memos on this topic can be found:
[ ] in previous Board packet(s) dated. _____
[ ] or attached to this memo

Basic information:

Registration for students in grades K-8 will begin online starting March 3, 2026.

Parents of students starting kindergarten this fall have the option to register in person at their respective home school building. The dates are as follows:

March 3, 2026: Gary
March 4, 2026: Indian Knoll and Turner
March 5, 2026: Currier & Wegner

Schools will hold in-person registration from 9:00 AM-6:00 PM on these days at the respective buildings.

There will also be in-person registration support at Leman Middle School on March 10th and March 25th from 6:00-8:00 PM.

Flyer for Kindergarten Registration

Background or historical information:

In 2020-2021, online registration was launched. As the initial phase of supporting families in the change to online registration, there were coffee talks with parents hosted by building principals to walk through the online format. Parents needing a device were able to access one at their home school and were then given the appropriate support.

The district is now in its sixth year of online registration.

Previous decisions, actions or parameters that relate to this topic or issue:

Parents new to the district will reach out to buildings for assistance if needed in completing Online Registration. Buildings will be closely monitoring our current students to follow up with families to complete returning student registration. Any family that needs extra support can receive that from

each building by attending the scheduled Registration Nights or by making an appointment with their building.
While Home Access is only in English and Spanish, support will be provided to families who speak other languages.
Next steps:
The district will continue to follow the action plan outlined in the registration timeline.

Registration Timeline

January 26-30	**Family Outreach Begins** ● Kindergarten Registration & Dual Language flyer mailed to West Chicago residents ● Registration information updated on the district website ● Flyers will also be shared with local daycares and preschools ● Registration messaging shared through NewsBites & social media
February 11	Final Registration Training for Secretaries (during scheduled meeting)
February 5	Two-Way Dual Language Presentation (in person) 5:30-6:30 pm @ Gary
February 11	Two-Way Dual Language Presentation (virtual) 10-11 am (Spanish) 2-3 pm (English)
February 19	Two-Way Dual Language Presentation (in person) 5:30-6:30 pm @ Gary
March 3	**Online registration opens for grades K-8** Kindergarten Registration at Gary
March 4	Kindergarten Registration at Indian Knoll and Turner
March 5	Kindergarten Registration at Currier & Wegner
March 10	**Registration Night 1** (in person) at Leman, from 6-8pm
March 25	**Registration Night 2** (in person) at Leman, from 6-8pm
May 12 (pm)	Kindergarten Round Up / Signing Day
April-May	EL Screeners for D33 Preschool, EduCare & incoming Kindergarteners
May	6th Grade Orientation & Dual Language Q&A
May	Kindergarten placement letters mailed to families who requested Two-Way Dual at Gary

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Other questions? What else does the Board wish to know?: