Dear Parent or Guardian,

The State of Minnesota requires a health and developmental screening for every child before kindergarten entry into a public school. Early childhood screening helps a school district identify children who may benefit from district and community resources available to help in their development. The Anoka-Hennepin School District provides this service free of charge, with a goal to screen every child before s/he turns four years old. The results of the screening will be reviewed with the parent or guardian, and any follow-up recommendations will be discussed. This allows any concerns to be addressed at least two years before a child enters kindergarten.

The screening will be conducted by qualified professionals in the following areas:

- Speech and Language Development
- Cognitive and Social Development
- Fine Motor and Gross Motor Skills
- Vision and Hearing
- Height and Weight
- Health History (Optional)
- Immunization Dates Review (please bring a copy)

Note: Screening is not a substitute for health care from your family physician or other health care providers.

Appointment Details:
Screening appointments take approximately one hour and are scheduled Monday through Friday during the day with limited evening hours on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday throughout the school year. The screening office is closed during the summer, so please plan ahead to ensure your child is screened. Due to the large number of children screened in our district, every attempt should be made to keep your appointment. You will be accompanying your child throughout the screening process so try to make arrangements for the care of other children.

Screenings are done at Sandburg Education Center in Anoka. To schedule a screening appointment, please call 763-506-2400. Parking is available on Monroe St. in front of the building, in the parking lot across the street, or in the small lot on the east side of the building.

If you wish to have your doctor provide the screening, you can call the screening office to obtain the appropriate forms.

Pre-Appointment Requirements:
Please fill out the enclosed forms and bring them along with immunization records to your child’s appointment. If someone else is bringing your child to screening, please call the screening office to alert them of the individual who is bringing your child so appropriate paperwork can be mailed to you. The Early Childhood Screening Student Information Form must be signed, dated and completed by the child’s parent or guardian in order to conduct the screening.

In case of bad weather, WCCO will announce Anoka-Hennepin school closings. This school closing announcement will include Early Childhood Screening. We look forward to seeing you and your child.

~Early Childhood Screening Staff

- Parent or guardian may decline to answer questions or provide information about family circumstances that might affect development and identification of risk factors that may influence learning.
- The child need not submit to the district screening program if the child’s health records indicate to the school that the child has received comparable developmental screening performed within the preceding 365 days by a public or private health care organization or individual health care provider.
- Parent or guardian may decline screening due to conscientiously held beliefs. A signed statement must be submitted to the administrator or other person having general control and supervision of the school.
- Declining to answer questions or provide information is voluntary and does not prevent the child from being enrolled in kindergarten if all screening components are met.

This document will be provided in an alternative format within 3 days of receipt of your written request. Accommodations needed to complete the screening should be arranged at the time the appointment is scheduled.
Please come to the main entrance (on Monroe St.). Check with the front desk secretary. If she is not present, please go up the stairs, to the left, and check in the main office-Room 209.

**Sandburg Education Center**  
1902 2nd Avenue  
Anoka, MN 5530  
763-506-2400

**Directions:**

**If Coming from the North:**  
Take Ferry St./US-169 South. Turn left on Main St. towards downtown Anoka. Turn right onto 2nd Ave./S. 2nd Ave. Turn left onto Monroe St.

**If Coming from the South:**  
Take US-169 North. Turn right on Main St. towards downtown Anoka. Turn right onto 2nd Ave. Turn left onto Monroe St.

**If Coming from the East:**  
Take Main St. west towards downtown Anoka. Turn left onto 2nd Ave./S. 2nd Ave. Turn left onto Monroe St.

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