



Ken-Ton Schools UPK Registration 2025-2026 School Year



February 2025

Dear Ken-Ton Community,

The Kenmore Town of Tonawanda Union Free School District and the Ken-Ton YMCA are happy to announce that the 2025-2026 Registration for Half-Day and Full-Day Universal Preschool Program (UPK) will be open to all Ken-Ton families starting on March 1, 2025. UPK is a special program funded by the New York State Education Department to provide an early learning experience for the children of eligible families. The traditional classroom-based UPK framework is designed to introduce academics and enhance socialization, physical activity, communication, creative thinking, and prepare your child for kindergarten.

To be eligible for UPK in the 2025-2026 school year which begins in September 2025, children must be 4 years of age on or before December 1, 2025 (a child cannot turn 5 years of age between December 2, 2024, through and including December 1, 2025 to be eligible for UPK).

<p>Locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hamilton Elementary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Full-Day classes only ● Holmes Elementary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1 Half-Day class (AM or PM option) 	<p>Session Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Half-Day class: 2.5 hours long AM and PM Options ● Full-Day class: 6 hours long ● Start times will be staggered between 8:30am-9:15am based on classroom placement
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**** Families will be responsible for Transportation to and from the UPK Program ****

There is limited availability for the program based on grant funding. This funding allows us to enroll a limited number of students during the 2025-2026 school year. If more children apply than there are available slots, the district will hold a random selection process in the form of a lottery.

Ken-Ton will continue to accept applications until May 23, 2025. This is not a first come, first served process. If we receive more applications (half day and full day) than our cap allows, the school district will conduct a virtual random lottery on Wednesday, June 4, 2025 at 4pm. All completed applications received by May 23, 2025 will be included in the lottery.

You must be a resident of the district by May 23, 2025 to be included in the lottery. Your child must be up-to-date with New York State vaccination requirements and have an updated physical for the school nurse.

Registration may be completed through the Ken-Ton School District Central Registration Department, located at 1500 Colvin Blvd, Buffalo, NY 14223. For more information on registering for UPK, visit www.ktufsd.org/upk or contact us at either central_registration@ktufsd.org or 716-871-2090. For more information on the UPK Program, contact the Ken-Ton Family YMCA at 716-874-5051 or cdusher@ymcabn.org.

Sincerely,

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