

## 2009/2010 HPS Kindergarten Readiness Program

Research shows that most children who turn five by December 1 are ready for kindergarten. As a district, Hudsonville Public Schools has many supports in place to ensure that students will be highly successful in school. As an initial step, screening will be conducted in March for children whose birthdays fall between June 1 and December 1. Following the screening, teachers will meet with parents to inform them of their child's strengths as well as to define readiness areas that can be developed during the months leading up to kindergarten.

If however, after the screening parents still feel that their "young five" child is not ready to attend kindergarten in the fall, Hudsonville Public Schools will be offering a tuition-based, Kindergarten Readiness Program, on two full days per week located at one or two of our elementary buildings (depending upon enrollment). The Kindergarten Readiness Program will focus on fun, hands-on learning, incorporating Zoo-Phonics, Handwriting Without Tears, and math/literacy skills essential for future school success.

### *Program Notes:*

- The Kindergarten Readiness Program will run in conjunction with the Hudsonville Public Schools day/year calendar.
- Parents will be required to provide transportation to and from the program.
- Tuition for the program is \$58.00 per week, with the exception of Christmas vacation and spring break.
- Before and after school and alternate day childcare is available for an additional fee.
- Registration will begin on April 13, 2009.

*Registration forms will be available on our website, [www.hudsonvillepublicschools.org](http://www.hudsonvillepublicschools.org) under the "Early Childhood Programs" tab, or can be picked up at the Community Education office located at 3886 Van Buren, **beginning April 13.***

For more information, please contact 616-797-0842.