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This Family Update provides important information about New York City Public Schools (NYCPS) pre-k and 3-K admissions for fall 2026; the 2026 NYC School Survey, and February events: Climate Action Day and Respect for All Week.

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Important Admissions Dates for Fall 2026

Remember to submit your 3-K and/or pre-k application at MySchools.nyc by **Friday, February 23, 2026**! If your child was born in 2023, they can attend 3-K this fall. If your child was born in 2022, they can attend pre-k this fall.

Learn more about free 3-K and pre-k education, how to locate a program, and how to apply at schools.nyc.gov/3K or schools.nyc.gov/PreK, and find a virtual admissions event to attend at schools.nyc.gov/ESEvents.

2026 NYC School Survey

Beginning **February 9, 2026**, NYCPS will hold its annual **NYC School Survey**. NYCPS families and students in grades 6–12 can provide direct feedback regarding their experiences in our public schools. Your confidential survey responses help your school better understand what its students, educators, and community members need and improve their learning environments, curricula, support services, and more.

To complete the survey, visit nycschoolssurvey.org or log in to your New York City Schools Account (**NYCSA**) at schoolsaccount.nyc beginning **February 9**. You will also receive a printed copy of the survey with instructions on how to complete it on paper or online. The 2026 Survey will close **on April 1, 2026**. Learn more at nycschoolssurvey.org.

February Events and Reminders

- Our “Energy” Climate Action Day is **February 4!** Find fun activities at schools.nyc.gov/ClimateAction.
- Respect for All (RFA) Week is on **February 9–13, 2026!** Visit schools.nyc.gov/RespectForAll for creative activity ideas to highlight better appreciation of one another, regardless of different beliefs or backgrounds.
- Schools will be closed from **February 16–20, 2026** for Midwinter Recess.