

**The East Providence Learning Program at Waddington  
Elementary  
101 Legion Way  
Riverside RI, 02015  
401-383-4192**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The East Providence School Department is writing to inform you about the FREE Child Outreach Screening Program that is both federally and state mandated. Much like your well visits with the pediatrician, the School departments are required to offer developmental screenings to all 3, 4, and 5 year old children that are Rhode Island residents. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to have their children screened each year, due to varied developmental requirements for each age level.

The FREE screening consists of a brief assessment in five areas of development:

- Vision Screening,
- Hearing Screening,
- General Development—such as fine/gross motor skills, memory, etc.
- Speech and Language skills
- Social and Emotional Development

The screening is not a comprehensive, standardized evaluation, but a look at how your children are doing in comparison to their peers. The information gained is used to provide you with the reassurance that your children are developing as they should. All information is confidential and not shared with anyone unless you give written permission to do so.

The screeners completing the screenings are trained and are supervised by the Early Childhood Coordinator. All screeners are advised about confidentiality and have had a National Background Check.

Finally, if your child attends one of the following Early Learning Centers, you do not need to schedule an appointment. Screenings will be held at the following locations:

Head Start  
Early Learning Center of RI  
Bee Hive  
Oliver Day School  
CCNS  
Brown Play School  
The Children's Workshop  
The Green Crayon  
Little Tykes  
Oldham State PK  
EPELP @ Waddington

Trailside  
Little Red School House  
Up With Children  
Ocean State Montessori  
Newman YMCA  
Sacred Heart Day Care  
Little Scholars  
Teddy Bear Learning  
St. Margaret's Preschool  
Martin State PK  
St. Mary's Academy, Bay View PK

If you would like to have your child screened please call 401-383-4192 to schedule an appointment.

Sincerely,

Myliisa Moon, M.A.  
Early Childhood Coordinator

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