The Hackettstown Public Schools Inclusion Preschool Program is designed to develop an inclusive model for preschool students age three to five. This inclusive program can be defined as an early childhood program that will meet the educational needs of young students with and without disabilities, in the same classroom.
Philosophy

The Hacketstown Public Schools Inclusion Preschool Program is founded in the belief that young children, regardless of background or abilities, should be nurtured and challenged in an environment that encourages the expression of ideas, curiosity, spontaneity, enthusiasm, and the joy of learning. We believe that all children benefit from being grouped heterogeneously, making it possible for children to learn from one another.

Creative Curriculum

The Hacketstown Public Schools Inclusion Preschool Program, in addition to meeting the goals and objectives of all classified students, utilizes The Creative Curriculum for Preschool, which is an award-winning curriculum for preschool success following the New Jersey Department of Education standards for Preschool Teaching and Learning. The Creative Curriculum is based on 38 objectives for development and learning and present knowledge-building volumes and daily practice resources in tandem, giving every educator the “what”, “why”, and “how” of early childhood education. It addresses all the important areas of learning, from social-emotional and math to technology and the arts, and incorporates them throughout every part of every day.

Application & Process

To apply, complete the Hacketstown Public School District application packet and return it prior to May 21st to Hatchery Hill Elementary School to the address below. All applications received by the deadline will be entered into an age-based lottery to be held at Hatchery Hill School on June 1st. Please return your completed packet below for consideration:

Hatchery Hill Elementary School
398 Fifth Avenue
Hackettstown, NJ 07840
Attn: Ms. Renee Caruso

In order to register your child you must present the following documents to the school:

- Immunization record
- School physical form
- Birth certificate
- Proof of residency (if applicable)