

Frequently Asked Pre-K Questions

1. Q: When does the licensed child care Pre-K program finish?

A: The Pre-K program operates year round - September 1st to August 31st. Children are eligible to attend the year before starting kindergarten. On August 31, all children are automatically unenrolled from the YMCA Pre-K child care service, and start kindergarten in the school as per the NLESD school calendar.

2. Q: My child was enrolled early, due to space availability, will they be unenrolled on August 31?

A: If your child was enrolled in the program early, due to space availability, **and you live in the catchment area**, your child will remain in the program for their pre-kindergarten year. If you **do not live in the catchment area**, your child will be unenrolled on August 31st and placed on the waitlist for September.

3. Q: I don't know if my child is ready for kindergarten, can they stay in the Pre-K Program instead?

A: Families with children eligible for Kindergarten who live in the catchment area and wish to remain in the Pre-K program, will be automatically unenrolled on August 31 and put on the waitlist. If space is still available, staff will contact you to offer a space. If you do not live in the catchment area, you will also be placed on the waitlist. Priority is given to those living in the catchment area.

4. Q: Is there a cost to withdraw from the program before August 31?

A: Thirty days written/email notice is required to withdraw my child/ren from the program if withdrawing before August 31. If staying until August 31 payments will automatically stop. In lieu of notice, fees for 30 days may be charged to my account. Please send written notice to pre-k@nl.ymca.ca.

