



# VPK Program

**2024-2025 VPK Program is FULL. No seats available.**

## **2025-2026 VPK Program Wait List begins on February 17, 2025.**

Please **EMAIL Mrs. Morales** the following information on or after February 17, 2025:

1. Name of Child
2. Birth Month. *Remember, a child must be four years old on or before September 1st*
3. Can your child recognize and write their name? How many numbers and letters does your child recognize? Does your child know shapes and colors?
4. Name of school your child is zoned for, upon completion of VPK Program (*you do not need to be in OPE's zone to attend*)
5. Name(s) of sibling(s) attending a SJCS D school K-12

2025-2026 Fees will be posted once they are determined.

***Our selected VPK students are taken in the order of the wait list, with priority given to SJCS D employees and current K-5 siblings attending OPE. Because of the high demand for our VPK program with limited seats, we recommend that you have a contingency plan. Selected students will be notified on March 3, 2025. Please read the general information below for important details regarding our program below.***

## **VPK PROGRAM – GENERAL INFORMATION**

A child must be four years old on or before September 1st.

VPK at OPE is a full day program and follows the SJCS D Calendar.

The VPK Program consists of classes which blend VPK students with PreK students who have qualified needs such as: speech delay, language delay, developmental delay, etc. Each classroom will have a highly qualified teacher holding a bachelor's degree in both Early Childhood Education and Exceptional Student Education and one paraprofessional.

Our VPK students are positive role models for the PreK students. We encourage our VPK students to be leaders as they prepare for Kindergarten. Your child will become acclimated to the "big" public school setting, and they will transition quickly into Kindergarten.

- Full day commitment and corresponding fees is required.
- Hours are: 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. M,T,TH,F and 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Wednesdays.
- 2024-2025 Fees: \*\$125.00 per week (does not include meals) unless the family qualifies for free or reduced fee (\$35 per week) based on income.
- Each classroom has a highly qualified teacher holding a bachelor's degree in the areas of early childhood and disabilities; and one paraprofessional.
- High quality kindergarten readiness instruction.
- Transportation and Extended Day Before and Aftercare is NOT available for VPK students.

*\*To find out if your family is eligible for Free or Reduced Meal status, please visit: <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/food/free/> The printable application will show the federal eligibility income chart.*

Click here to obtain: **FLORIDA VPK CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY VOUCHER.**

Please note, the VPK Child Certificate of Eligibility Voucher is required whether your child is accepted into our VPK program, or another VPK Program in the state of Florida.

Click here for: **FLORIDA VPK LOCATIONS** Other VPK Locations, call 904-726-1500.