

**OWEGO APALACHIN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**3 Sheldon Guile Blvd.**  
**Owego, NY 13827**

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Applications for the 2012-2013 school year are now being accepted for the Owego Apalachin Central School District's Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) program for families who reside in the district. This program is funded by New York State to provide 4-year-old children with a better foundation as they prepare to enter kindergarten.

To be eligible for the program, children must live in the district and turn four on or before December 1st of the year in which they are enrolled in UPK or be eligible to enter kindergarten the following year.

Each UPK session will be scheduled for 2-½ hours with each of the two sites having a morning session (approx. 9:00 to 11:30) and an afternoon session (approx. 12:30 to 3:00). Owego Apalachin currently has two sites: the Owego Elementary School's program is located at Abide in the Vine, 1277 Taylor Road, Owego, NY 13827, due to the flood in September of 2011, but the location has not yet been decided for 2012-13. There will also be openings at the Apalachin Elementary School, 405 Pennsylvania Avenue, Apalachin, NY 13732. Generally, the participants will attend the UPK program building where the elementary building is located where they will be attending kindergarten.

Once a child reaches age 4, the district **may** be able to provide transportation, but only to the morning sessions and home from the afternoon sessions, if the parent/guardian chooses. It will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian to pick up their child after the morning session is over or transport their child to the afternoon session.

If you are interested in your child being considered for this program, please complete the application and return it to Thomas Comerford, Owego Apalachin Middle School (OAMS), 3 Sheldon Guile Blvd., Owego, NY 13827. In recent years we have had enough applicants that we had to create a waiting list, so please send the required paperwork back to us as soon as possible. Besides the application, we will need copies of the child's birth certificate, immunization record, two proofs of your address and the district health form signed by your child's physician. Applications and health forms may be obtained in the following ways:

- \* by visiting the OA website: [www.oacsd.org](http://www.oacsd.org) (application form only)
- \* by calling 687-6226,
- \* by stopping in my office at OAMS, 3 Sheldon Guile Blvd., Owego;
- \* or, by stopping at Apalachin Elementary School, 405 Pennsylvania Avenue, Apalachin.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 687-6226.

Sincerely,

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