



pennsylvania PRE-K COUNTS

For A Brighter Future

Children who are three or four years old by September 1st may be eligible to participate in a free pre-kindergarten class operated by Riverview Children's Center at its Sylvan Way Site or at its Verner Elementary School Site

What: Riverview Children's Center (RCC) is offering **FREE** five hour, morning pre-kindergarten (Pre-K counts) classes at its Verner Elementary School Site and at its site on Sylvan Way Site, both in Verona. A 3 hour morning option is also available (limited spaces).

Who: At RCC's Sylvan Way site classes are available for both children who are three years old and four years old by September 1st (who are not eligible for Kindergarten). First priority is given to children whose family income is at/or below 300% of the poverty level (a family of two may earn \$41,070 plus approximately \$10,000 for each additional qualifying family member) who resides in a qualifying school district (Riverview, Penn Hills, Woodland Hills, City of Pittsburgh, Highlands, New Kensington/Arnold and more). Children from other school districts whose family meets the income guidelines may also qualify as a second priority for available spaces.

At RCC's Verner site, enrollment is limited to children who turn four by September 1st, reside in the Riverview School District and meet income eligibility guidelines (some older 3's may be granted enrollment).

Why: An increase in state funding for PreK education allows RCC to collaborate with RSD to expand its PreK programs to include "PreK Counts." Research shows that pre-kindergarten instruction benefits students and communities. Children who attend high-quality PreK programs come to school more prepared and achieve greater educational success, including less absenteeism, higher standardized test scores, and higher graduation rates.

Where: Five Pre K-Counts classrooms are offered in the Verona/Oakmont Riverview School District (RSD) area. Riverview Children's Center (RCC) is offering 4 Pre K- Counts classroom (for 3 and 4 yr. olds) between its Sylvan Way site and its Verner Elementary School Site, "Wraparound Services", before and after school and summer programming are available at RCC's Sylvan Way Site. Our partner, Redeemer Luther School (RLS) is also offering a class for 4 yr. olds @ it's Oakmont location.

When: Rolling registration and enrollment is accepted based on space availability. New sessions begin in August/September 2008.

About Riverview Children's Center:

The PreK Counts class at Verner Elementary is taught and administered by RCC. As one of the first early education programs in the country to earn the mark of quality represented by the reinvented NAECY Accreditation System, RCC adheres to high standards in relationships, curriculum, teachers and teaching, assessment of child progress, health, families, community relationships, physical environment and leadership management. RCC also adheres to all licensing requirements of DPW, repeatedly earning perfect scores during the annual licensing inspection.

In addition to its PKC programs, RCC also offers programs at its Sylvan Way Site for non qualifying Pre School children as well as programs for Infants, Toddlers, and School Aged through age 12. Interest in these programs – and the Pre-K Counts options – should be directed to RCC's administration at 412-828-2585 / visit www.riverviewchildrenscenter.org.

Enrolling your child is as easy as 1-2-3 !

- 1. Confirm that your child meets the eligibility guidelines. (Attached)**
- 2. Complete the registration form on the back of this page.**
- 3. Send completed registration form to Riverview Children's Center, 655 Sylvan Way, Verona, Pa 15147. (Fax 412-828-5854 or email rccenter@attglobal.net)**

School District Resides

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**Registration for Riverview Children’s Center at RCC-Sylvan Way Site or
RCC Verner Elementary Site
Pre-K Counts (Three Years to Kindergarten Entry) Program**

Child’s Name	SS#	Birth Date
_____	_____	_____
First Last		(Must be 3 or 4 by September 1st and not eligible for kindergarten)
Home Address/Street	City	State/Zip code
_____	_____	_____
Parent/Guardian Name	SS#	Birth Date
_____	_____	_____
Home Phone	Work or Cell Phone	Email Address
_____	_____	_____
List other minor children living with applicant- Name	Age	
_____	_____	
_____	_____	
_____	_____	
_____	_____	

Please accept my child’s application for:

- RCC Verner Elementary Site Pre-K Counts 4 yr. old class.
Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. 1:30 p.m.
Breakfast and lunch included.
- RCC Sylvan Way Site-Pre-K Counts 3 yr. old class
Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Breakfast and lunch included.
- RCC Sylvan Way Site-Pre-K Counts 4 yr. old class
Monday – Friday
8:00 a. m. – 1:00 p. m.
Breakfast and lunch included.
- RCC Sylvan Way Site-Pre-K Counts 4 yr. old class (older 3 year olds maybe eligible)
Monday – Friday
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. or 8:30 – 1:30 (Circle choice)
- If it’s available, I’m interested in “Wraparound” Care before/after the five-hour Pre-K Counts class) for a fee at Sylvan Way site only).
 - Morning, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.
 - Afternoons between 1:00 p.m. – 6 p.m. Indicate number of hours_____
- I’m interested in learning more about full-day Summer Programming at RCC’s Sylvan Way Site available from 7 a.m. – 6 p. m.) breakfast, lunch and P.M. snack are included based on hours of attendance. Pre Kindergarten Tax Credit may be available for wrap around and summer programming.

Parent/Guardian Signature	Application Date
_____	_____

Mail registration form to Riverview Children’s Center; 655 Sylvan Way/Verona, PA 15147

Tuition Assistance: Income qualifying funding may be available for both wraparound and/or summer program enrollment through Child Care Information Services (inquire by calling 412-261-CARE) or through a Pre-Kindergarten Tax Credit Scholarship (PKTC) (inquire with RCC administration). Families earning \$50,000 annually plus \$10,000 per dependent child may qualify for some type of scholarship assistance. PKTC Scholarships are granted based on available funding.

Non-Discrimination - Policy Admission, the provision of services and the referral of clients shall be made without regard to race, religious creed, disability, ancestry, national origin including limited English proficiency, age or sex.

PA Pre-K Counts Eligibility Income Guidelines

<i>Persons in family</i>	<i>Poverty guideline</i>	<i>Priority Level I</i>		<i>Priority Level II</i>
		<i>130% of Poverty</i>	<i>200% of Poverty</i>	<i>300% of Poverty</i>
1.....	\$10,210	\$13,273	\$20,420	\$30,630
2.....	\$13,690	\$17,797	\$27,380	\$41,070
3.....	\$17,170	\$22,321	\$34,340	\$51,510
4.....	\$20,650	\$26,845	\$41,300	\$61,950
5.....	\$24,130	\$31,369	\$48,260	\$72,390
6.....	\$27,610	\$35,893	\$55,220	\$82,830
7.....	\$31,090	\$40,417	\$62,180	\$93,270
8.....	\$34,570	\$44,941	\$69,140	\$103,710

Families with more than 8 persons, add \$3,480 for each additional person to find federal poverty level.

My child is in the priority level one income column (based on the income chart above).
 My child is in the priority level two income column (based on the income chart above).
 My child is an English Language Learner
 My child has a disability or a developmental delay
 My child may be at risk for other reasons, please specify:

Please check your preferred Pre-K Counts location. Please indicate first, second and third choice.

Riverview Children’s Center Sylvan Way Site
 Riverview Children’s Center Verner School Site
 Redeemer Lutheran School

Please circle yes or no for the questions below

Yes/No My child is toilet trained.

Yes/No My child has current immunizations (proof required when program begins.)

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge;

_____/_____/20_____
 Signature Date

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORMS TO RIVERVIEW CHILDREN’S CENTER