



Fly High Toward School Success: FREE Universal PreK

Colorado's **FREE** Universal PreK (UPK) program at Blue Skies Exploration Academy will prepare your child to start their school career.



PreK Makes a Difference

Studies have demonstrated that children who start kindergarten without school readiness skills are likely to fall behind their classmates and have a harder time catching up. In fact, school readiness is a great measure of future achievement, especially in three key areas:

- **LANGUAGE/LITERACY:** Reading, listening, and growing vocabularies
- **COGNITIVE SKILLS:** Exploring, experimenting and problem-solving
- **EMOTIONAL GROWTH:** Taking turns, paying attention, trying and failing, and controlling impulses

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Children who turn **four years of age** before October 1 qualify for 15 hours per week of **FREE** PreK instruction for 36 weeks. Colorado's program is not income-based, and families with certain qualifiers may receive up to 30 hours weekly. Further, **three-year-olds** with qualifying factors are eligible for 10 free hours per week.



Secure your spot today!

Visit upk.colorado.gov and call us at 719-590-1195.