



# Fisher Hill Elementary School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to Orange Elementary Schools! We are excited to meet your children and begin the learning journey with you and your child. All Orange, Massachusetts, students who will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2026, are eligible for kindergarten.

## **Kindergarten Screening**

Once you have registered for kindergarten, please take a moment to reserve your spot for the kindergarten screening. All students will participate. Screening for new Fisher Hill students will be held on **Thursday, August 27th, from 9 am-3 pm**. The kindergarten screening uses a standardized test to measure five (5) key areas and determine if your child is meeting established developmental milestones. We use the DIAL 4 test (Developmental Indicators for the Assessment of Learning) to measure your child's progress.

### **Areas 1-3 are part of the DIAL test:**

- **Motor:** Catching, jumping, hopping, skipping, building, thumb and finger motor skills, cutting, copying, name writing, balance and coordination, small muscle skills.
- **Concepts:** Identification of body parts, colors, rapid naming, counting, shapes, sorting, and comparing.
- **Language:** articulation of sounds, objects, and actions, letters and letter sounds, rhyming, and intelligibility. "I spy" problem-solving.

### **Areas 4 & 5 are part of the Parent Questionnaire you will fill out:**

- **Self Help:** Parents are asked about everyday skills that children learn. For example, dressing and feeding themselves, etc.
- **Social Development:** Parents are asked to describe how their child interacts with other children and how they feel about themselves.

## **Making a Screening Appointment**

Parents must make an appointment for their child's kindergarten screening. You may use the link or QR code below to schedule an appointment. If you prefer to schedule by phone, please call us at (978) 544-0018.

<https://form.everestwebdeals.co/?form=6b8eff3a003ad47d9dea94fdcfcef616>

