

# Register now for FPS early childhood centers

Farmington Public Schools has announced registration for the 2003-2004 school year at all three of its nationally accredited early childhood centers.

Enrollment will be taken for tuition programs, as well as the District's free Head Start and School Readiness classes. Scholarships are available for the tuition-based programs.

The Early Childhood Centers offer full-day, full-year education services to children from ages three through five. In addition to traditional 2 and 3 day per week preschool programs parents are able to choose from a variety of programs to meet the needs of their children and their family.

The KinderReady program offers four-year-olds a choice of full or half-day experiences in preparation for kindergarten.

KinderReady meets 5 days per week and focuses on development of cognitive skills such as literacy, math, writing, technology use and problem solving.

The EduCare program is a complement to the District's kindergarten program. EduCare meets the needs of children who are five-years-old and require a longer school day. This is an opportunity for children to spend time in a stimulating learning environment rather than in traditional day care.

Sunrise (7-9 a.m.) and Sunset (3-6 p.m.) programs allow children to engage in a variety of exciting features beyond the regular school day to help accommodate parents' work schedules.

KidBits is a new offering for babies, infants, toddlers and their parents to come to school

to play, read, sing and learn together. The goal for KidBits is to foster maximum brain development through interactions with adults.

Parents are provided with information about child development and activities to extend their learning to the home environment.

MeTwo is another new offering for our youngest learners. This two-day per week class is a chance for toddlers to come to school without an adult.


This is a cooperative class with one parent staying each class day so that our ratio is 1 adult for every four children. Class size is limited to 12 participants.

For further information, contact Alameda (248) 489-3808, Fairview (248) 785-2059 or Farmington Community School (248) 489-3373.



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"That's me!" says Evan, watching a video about the boys' progress. Mom Andrea hangs on to her son and watches.

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which has about 450 students, as it is.

Mulligan said declining enrollment and unfulfilled fund-raising efforts are forcing the board's decision.

"People are interested from all over the country about what we're doing," she said. "People have been dropping off (checks) and we're getting offers from places to use their facilities for fund-raisers."

"We're trying to schedule a phone-a-thon next week and hoping to have a radio station do a remote," she said.

The group hopes to reach their goal by March 21.

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Dr. Daniel Batton, vice chairman of the Department of Pediatrics and director of Newborn Medicine at Beaumont, said Miles and Evan were the right choice to represent the good the Children's Miracle Network does through hospitals.

"They were born critically ill," he said.

"A few years ago, their chances of surviving were very low."

He said the boys were at the hospital for three months and Andrea always remained positive about their future.

"We're here to honor two courageous little boys," he said.

A Forsters representative said the company has donated \$11 million to the Children's Miracle Network.

Also at Thursday's ceremony were friends of the boys, their parents and staff from Fairview Elementary.

Andrea said Miles' favorite



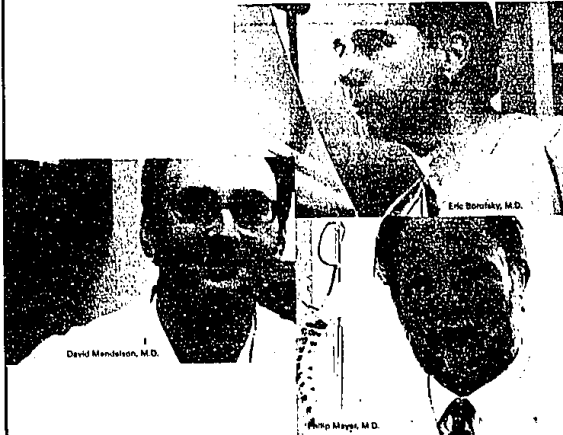
Miles gives a hug to big brother Daryl Pegues.

thing to do is play with Matchbox cars and Evan loves watching the Golf Channel.

Andrea is now a parent volunteer at Beaumont, working with mothers who deliver prematurely - around 26 weeks gestation.

"I listen and share our experience as a way of encouragement," she said.

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