

# ATTENTION: Oxford Parents of Preschool PEER MODELS

## WHO

should apply?

## WHY

we're looking?

## WHAT

it is all about?

## HOW

do you apply?

## WHERE

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Oxford Public Schools offers a Peer Model Program as part of the Oxford Preschool. This is an exciting educational opportunity for selected preschool children. The Preschool Program is located at Quaker Farms School and is looking for three and four year old children to participate in the preschool classroom as role models for their peers with special needs. In order to be considered, students must be 3 or 4 years old and be an Oxford resident.

The Oxford Preschool is an interdisciplinary, language/literature/motor/play-based program whose curriculum is based upon the Connecticut Framework for its design and planned activities. We see the role of teachers as supporters of development and, as such, our role is to promote active learning on the part of the child. Our goal is to provide an appropriate learning environment incorporating both early childhood special education and developmental preschool programs, to prepare all children, those with disabilities and peer models, for the greatest opportunities for educational success. We understand that our children learn best through self-initiated activity; therefore, our learning activities reflect this philosophy. Children selected as role models will participate in an age appropriate curriculum that will foster cognitive and social growth in preparation for kindergarten.

We have a new procedure. We are accepting peer models on a rolling admission throughout the school year provided they are 3 or 4 years old and have passed the screening intake. Once your application is received and reviewed, we will coordinate a screening with you and the preschool team. Children will be selected based on strong language skills and appropriate social/peer interactions. Decisions will be based upon screening. Program specifics including tuitions and schedules will be shared at the time of the screening.

The application is available online on the Oxford Public School website under Pupil Personnel Services. Please fill out the application and email it to: [gotshallm@oxfordpublicschools.org](mailto:gotshallm@oxfordpublicschools.org) OR mail the application to Pupil Personnel Services, 144 Oxford Road, Unit 1B, Oxford, CT 06478 OR fax it to 203-881-5038. Please call 203-881-2599 for further information