

## Ad for Preschool Peers

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### **Guilford Preschool Seeks Typical Peers as Mentors for Special Education Students**

The Guilford Public Schools Special Needs Preschool Program has openings for next school year in the three and four year old classes for students who do not have special needs. These students will act as peer models and mentors for special education students and aid in the development of their social, behavioral and language skills.

Peer mentors will be an integral part of an enriched cooperative learning environment. Instruction takes place in a developmentally appropriate setting which allows all students to learn interactively. The preschool offers small classes and a high adult to student ratio. Curriculum focuses on the learning standards developed by the CT State Dept of Education and delineated in the Connecticut Preschool Curriculum Framework.

Peer mentors who meet the following criteria are eligible:

- Must be 3 years old prior to January 1, 2011
- Have age appropriate speech/language/communication skills
- Demonstrate age appropriate social interaction/play skills
- Be toilet trained
- Be Guilford residents

#### **Information Meeting Wednesday, December 2, 2009, at 1:30**

There will be an informational meeting for parents only (no children) on December 2, 2009, at 1:30 in the Preschool Classrooms at Guilford Lakes School. If you are interested in attending, please call The Guilford Public Schools Pupil Services Dept at 203-453-0128 to register.

#### **Peer Selection**

Because there are a limited number of openings for preschool peer models each year, a lottery will be held in January. Parents may register their children for the preschool peer lottery after the information session.

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