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***Early Access opens for gifted children under age six***

Students under the age of six, who are identified as being highly advanced, are eligible for early admittance into Jeffco Public Schools. *Early Access* identifies and serves those children who are evaluated to be exceptional in aptitude/cognitive reasoning, academics, school readiness and motivation.

The application process for *Early Access* began Wednesday, Jan. 6 and ends Friday, March 26. To access an application, go to;  
[www.jeffcopublicschools.org/programs/gifted\\_talented](http://www.jeffcopublicschools.org/programs/gifted_talented).

To be eligible, a child must be 4-years-old by Sunday, August 1 for admittance into kindergarten or must be 5-years-old by Sunday, August 1 for first-grade. A completed application and portfolio must be submitted by Friday, March 26.

The process includes:

- Completed application form
- Call Child Find Office at 303-982-7247 to complete intake form over the phone
- The completed Developmental History form
- A letter from parent(s) requesting *Early Access*
- Parent information form
- Gifted rating scale completed by pre-school or early childhood teacher
- Artifact description sheet
- Child strengths form

Schools offering *Early Access* are Coronado, Hackberry Hill, Kendrick Lakes and Parmalee elementary schools. GT *Early Access* follows the Jeffco Public Schools Choice Enrollment Process.

For more information, call Jeffco Schools Gifted and Talented at 303-982-6650 or the Child Find Office at 303-982-7247.

