PRESS RELEASE

The Baker School District will be conducting individual assessments for children planning to enroll as kindergarten students in August 2018. This screening is offered to assist parents and teachers in determining the readiness skills of pre-school children for kindergarten entry in the fall. Children must be 5 years of age by September 1, 2018, to be eligible.

The assessment covers three main areas of child development: motor skills, concepts and language. Children participate for about 45 minutes, one-on-one, with an adult in a variety of activities at four separate stations. Upon completion, the coordinator will share the results with parents and discuss any potential areas of concern or interest.

Most children who are currently enrolled in a pre-school will be screened at their pre-school.

Children who are NOT enrolled in a pre-school will be screened at the Baker School District Office, 2090 Fourth Street, Baker City on April 19th and 20th between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please contact Sandy Mitchell at 524-2260 to schedule an appointment, allowing 45 minutes to an hour to include consultation.

During the assessment, parents will be asked to pre-register their child to assist the school district in planning for the next school year. The child's birth certificate (or a copy) will be recorded at that time. Other pre-registration forms and information will also be available.

Even if the child is unable to participate in the actual screening, it is important to complete the pre-registration portion at the District Office and have a copy of the birth certificate made. All students will, however, need to be officially registered in August with an updated immunization record.