

CRANFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICES
132 Thomas Street
Cranford, New Jersey 07016

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Dear Cranford Resident:

As you may be aware, the Cranford Public Schools offers a specialized preschool program called **SNAPPY** for young children ages 3-5 with disabilities. The child's disability is determined upon referral to the child study team and subsequent evaluation, if appropriate. Additionally, we offer an inclusive preschool program called **READY**.

Next year we will continue our program to include preschool age children and preschool disabled children together in a special way. The program will consist of several classes with children ages 3-5. They will participate in a preschool program with a small group of preschool disabled children. The **READY** program will be housed at Walnut Avenue School. Non-disabled three and four year old children will be selected by a lottery system. There will be a tuition charge of \$295.00 per month for the program.

Given the success and popularity of our **READY** program we are unable to continue the practice of admitting both twins if only one is selected.

If you are interested in making an application for the **READY** program, you may obtain one in the office at any of the district's elementary schools or on the district's website at www.cranfordschools.org. **Please complete the application and check the box that represents your child's age on October 1, 2012.** Return the application to the office of Special Services, 132 Thomas Street by Friday, February 17, 2012. Since available slots for the **READY** program are limited, **no applications will be accepted after that date.** The lottery drawing will be on Wednesday, February 22, 2012. If your child's application is selected, you will be notified by phone shortly thereafter and will be asked to complete the registration process at Walnut Avenue School.

If you have questions regarding the **READY** Program, you may contact the Department of Special Services at 908 709-6217.

Sincerely,

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C: Mr. Angelo Paternoster, Principal WAS

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