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### What is a Future Tiger Visit?

This is the Denver JDS way of meeting our kindergarten applicants and helping to determine whether our school is a good fit for applicants. Other items we consider are teacher recommendations and the parent biographical sketch, both of which are part of the application for admission and should be submitted before a student's Future Tiger visit.

### What happens during a Future Tiger Visit?

At the Future Tiger Visit, we observe children in a group setting here at Denver JDS and conduct a short, individual, pre-academic assessment.

### When is the Future Tiger Visit?

There are three options for your Future Tiger Visit: February 20 from 1-3 PM and February 23 from 10-12 Noon or 1-3 PM. Visit **https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0a4ea9a72ba5f94-future1** to schedule your preferred date and time. Please come to the Lower Division's Leftin Family Lobby 10 minutes prior to your visit to check-in.

Here is the daily schedule for a Future Tiger Week visit:	
25 minutes	Welcome and Center Time
5 minutes	Carpet time for introductions
20 minutes	Craft
15 minutes	Snack (we serve cuties or bananas and a small water bottle)
20 minutes	Playground
25 minutes	Carpet for book and game
5 minutes	Clean up and head to Leftin Family Lobby to reunite with parents

Children will participate in individual assessments during the morning's activities.

### Who will facilitate Future Tiger Week visits?

Future Tiger Week is facilitated by a team of Lower Division faculty members and administrators.

### Are parents present during the activities?

Parents are asked to accompany their children to the Lower Division Discovery Lab and say goodbye there allowing your children to make a smooth transition into the morning's activities,

which will go by very fast! We will collect your phone number in case of an emergency. Parents are invited to return 15 minutes before the visit ends for a "schmooze" in the Leftin Family Lobby. This meet and greet will include members of the Lower Division administration. When the children finish with their activities, they will be escorted back to the lobby to reunite with their parents.

### How should I prepare my child for Future Tiger Week?

- Let your child know that they will be coming to Denver Jewish Day School for a short visit to see what it's like there. Explain that Denver Jewish Day School is a school children go to for kindergarten.
- Review the schedule above with your child so that s/he knows what to expect.
- Let your child know that you will be separating for a little while just like you do when you say goodbye in the morning at preschool but that you will be seeing each other again as soon as the activities end.
- Let your child know that at Denver Jewish Day School they can ask any adults that are with them for help any time they need it and everybody there will be happy to help and support them.
- Talk with your child about some strategies they can employ if they feel nervous, sad, have a question, etc.

## What happens after Future Tiger Week?

Families are notified of admission on March 3, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. via email using the email address provided on the application for admission. \*

If we have questions or require additional information after the Future Tiger Week visit (which is not uncommon), we will be in touch with you individually. In some circumstances, this may delay our ability to notify you of admission by March 3.

\* If you complete the application after the February 15 deadline, the notification may be delayed.

# I applied for admission after the last Future Tiger Week visit. Can my child still be considered for kindergarten?

We review post-deadline applications for admission on a space-available basis. For these applications, we will conduct individual kindergarten applicant screenings combined with a short visit to our kindergarten classroom to be scheduled individually with the Office of Admission.

### I have more questions. Whom do I contact?

Please contact the Office of Admission at 720-449-9552. Please contact us if there are any circumstances that we should be aware of ahead of the visit (food allergies, health issues, etc.) so that we can make sure we work with you on a plan that will ensure as smooth of an experience as possible for your child's Future Tiger Visit.