

Additional Smart Start FAQs

58) Can a Smart Start classroom be located in a portable classroom?

Yes. The local or regional board of education can use a portable to locate a Smart Start classroom temporarily; however, there must be a written plan included in the application for moving the Smart Start classroom to a permanent space over the course of the grant period included with the Smart Start application. Capital funds cannot be used for improvements to the portable, but may be used to purchase tables, chairs, bookcases, etc. that can be moved to the permanent space when it becomes available. The local or regional board of education will need to incur the expense of modifying the portable to meet appropriate health and safety requirements.

59) Can a local or regional board of education enroll children in a Smart Start classroom if they are not residents of the town(s) served by the local or regional board of education?

No. Students enrolled in a Smart Start classroom must be residents of the town(s) served by the local or regional board of education.

60) If a school district has a Smart Start classroom under the same roof as a School Readiness classroom, must the Smart Start classroom charge a fee?

No. A local or regional board of education may choose whether a family fee will be charged.