



Getting a 'Head Start' on Learning

Head Start is a statewide, income-based program that provides educational and comprehensive (mental health, health and nutrition, disabilities, family engagement) services at no cost to pregnant mothers and children through age 5.

- Families who fall below federal poverty guidelines as well as families of students with disabilities are encouraged to apply.
- Families receiving SNAP benefits who are homeless, receiving public assistance or have children in foster care are automatically eligible for a Head Start program.
- Parent choice is a priority. Head Start programs are located in school districts, private facilities, family child care homes and home based programs.

Visit the [Division of Early Learning website](#) to locate a Head Start program near you and submit an application.

**Head Start and
Early Head Start
Applications Open
2023-24**

Finding Quality Child Care Opons

Early learning is important from birth to 5 when the brain develops most rapidly!



The Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) Network can help you find the right education program whether you are:

- A parent, grandparent or guardian needing help with finding and enrolling in an early child care or education program;
- A teacher or child care worker wanting to learn more about child development research; or
- An administrator or early learning advocate trying to locate resources.

Contact CCR&R at 1-888-357-3239 for information on quality child care options and community resources.



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