

# What is Head Start?

**Head Start** is a free program for children ages 3-5 and their families. In addition to education, health services, parent involvement activities and social services for the whole family are included. Services are also provided for children with disabilities.



*Parent Involvement is an important part of Head Start.*

## Options:

**Center Based**—provides children with learning opportunities in a classroom setting. Regular Head Start classrooms meet part day, Monday-Thursday. Full year full day classrooms are open Monday- Friday for parents who are working or in school.

**Home Based**— provides services to children & parents in their own home for one and half hours weekly with group socialization 2 times a month in the classroom or on a field trip.

## Services



Children learn number and language skills that will prepare them to enter kindergarten. Our teachers are top-notch and a learning plan is developed for each child to fit their specific needs.



Children receive a health screening including vision, hearing and speech, a complete physical examination and an initial dental exam.



Good nutrition is a high priority. Children receive nutritious meals and snacks. Nutrition education is also provided to children and parents.



Parents are the most important influence in a child's development. They are involved in program planning and decision making, and are encouraged to participate in the classroom and on field trips.



*Where the fun of Learning begins!*

A free program for children (ages 3-5) designed to give parents skills to prepare children for school.



To complete a quick application you can:

- Call or come into your local Head Start office
- Print a mail in form from our website- [www.pacecaa.org](http://www.pacecaa.org)

*Eligibility is based on income and need.*

*Children with disabilities are encouraged to apply.*

*Transportation referrals are provided.*

***We Educate, Empower & Improve***

## Our Locations:

### Bicknell

607 Pennsylvania  
Bicknell, IN 47512  
(812) 735-3916

### Eastern Greene

10503 E State Rd. 54  
Bloomfield, IN 47424  
(812) 825-0153

### Linton

53 SE 1st Street  
Linton, IN 47441  
(812) 847-7687

### Carlisle

204 West Eaton Street  
Carlisle, IN 47838  
(812) 398-3851 x 2410

### Vincennes

(Administration)  
525 N. 4th Street  
Vincennes, IN 47591  
(812) 882-7927

### Vincennes

16 Reel Ave.  
Vincennes, IN 47591  
(812) 886-4347

### Washington

2103 Cosby Rd.  
Washington, IN 47501  
(812) 254-6098

## Our Philosophy

*Head Start is dedicated to providing high quality services to children, families and the community in a responsible and caring manner.*

**For Children,** we ensure a secure and nurturing environment where they are encouraged to discover the wonders of the world around them through developmentally appropriate activities, materials and equipment that fosters self-esteem and instills a love of learning.

**For Families,** we provide supportive services to strengthen their relationships, empowering them to become self-sufficient with a support system that is unbiased and unprejudiced.

**For the Community,** we target the needs of local populations through the maximum utilization of available resources, the sharing of information and the collaboration of services.

**For Staff,** we value and respect them as individuals, encourage them to grow as professionals and support them as partners in a learning environment.

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**We provide support services that improve the community and encourage self-reliance.**