



# Head Start/Early Head Start



Completing the pre-application does not guarantee your child will be placed in the program. An interview is required in order to complete the application process. Your application is not complete until you have completed the interview. Head Start/Early Head Start is a federally funded program and eligibility is based on the federal poverty guidelines. Eligibility is not determined on a first come, first serve basis.

## 2025-2026 Head Start/Early Head Start Application Dates

*Monday, February 3, 2025 to Friday, March 21, 2025*

*Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (In-person at select locations)*

*Saturday appointments available on February 15 and March 3 & 15 from  
8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (Virtual ONLY)*

## Apply Now!

### BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Please visit our website to schedule your appointment.

[www.browardschools.com/headstart-vpk](http://www.browardschools.com/headstart-vpk)

#### Eligibility Requirements

- Head Start children must be 3-or 4-years-old on or before **September 1, 2025**
- Early Head Start accepts pregnant women and children birth to 3-years-old
- Family income must be at or below the US Department of Health & Human Services Poverty Guidelines to qualify for the program
- Applications must be completed by **parent/guardian ONLY**

#### Documents Needed To Apply

- Proof of age (child's ORIGINAL birth certificate or foreign passport)
- Proof of guardianship, if applicable
- Parent/guardian photo identification (FL Driver's License or Passport)
- Proof of Broward County residence (domicile)
- Proof of **ALL HOUSEHOLD INCOME FOR PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR (2024) OR PAST 12 MONTHS**

#### Please see below for a list of documents and acceptable forms of income

- 2024 Income Tax Form 1040
- 2024 Pay stubs with year-to-date income (for full year)
- 2024 W-2 Forms (for full year)
- 2024 Unemployment Compensation Records
- 2024 Public Assistance records (TANF, SNAP, SSI) with eligibility documentation
- 2024 Social Security Benefits (SSA) Award Letter Only (retirement or disability) with full year of earnings
- 2024 Verification form from your employer
- Notarized Letter of Financial Support Form from individual supporting the family
- Veterans benefits records
- Child Support/Alimony records
- Worker's Compensation records
- Military allotment records
- Training stipends
- Grants, fellowships, scholarships

For more information and to schedule an appointment, visit our website [www.browardschools.com/headstart-vpk](http://www.browardschools.com/headstart-vpk) or contact us via email at [headstart@browardschools.com](mailto:headstart@browardschools.com).



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