Menominee County Preschool/Early Childhood Application

Menominee County Intermediate School District 1201 41st Ave, Menominee, MI 49858 Phone: 906-863-5665 ext. 1046; Fax 906-863-7776 "Like us" on Facebook—Great Start Parent Coalition Menominee County

Why US? We teach children to learn through play and how to interact positively with others.

How to Enroll:

- 1. Contact your school district or the Intermediate School District above to turn in your application and have someone contact you to review.
- 2. Bring a copy of your child's immunization records.
- 3. Bring a copy of your child's birth certificate.
- 4. Bring proof of income from the list below that applies to your family situation. (If there is joint custody, you will need to supply income information for both households.)

We cannot process your application without this information[©]

- a. 2023 Income tax form: this is all we need unless your circumstances have changed. If you do not have this document, please bring in the following to verify your income.
- b. W-2
- c. TANF documentation
- d. A month of pay stubs or pay envelopes
- e. Unemployment statement
- f. A written statement from employer
- g. Foster care reimbursement
- h. SSI documentation
- i. Child support
- j. Alimony
- k. Pensions
- I. Other



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Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)

Menominee-Delta-Schoolcraft Joint Recruitment/Enrollment

The Michigan Department of Education oversees all Great Start Readiness Programs and requires that a process is followed for recruitment and enrollment which allows the children with the greatest need to be placed in high-quality preschool first. We work directly with MDS-CAA, our Head Start partner to make sure this happens.

The *Menominee-Delta-Schoolcraft Early Childhood Application* is used to help place children in Early Head Start, Head Start, and GSRP; therefore, families can apply for any child 0-5 years old using this **one** application. Paperwork may be shared with MDS-CAA, Menominee County ISD, Kidz Town Daycare Center, Menominee Area Public Schools, Stephenson Area Public Schools, Carney-Nadeau Public School, North Central Area Public Schools, or any other GSRP location within Menominee County.

What does this mean for you and your family?

- Handing in an application does **not** guarantee your child a spot in a certain program.
- You may get a follow-up call if further documentation is needed for proof of income. A meeting
 may be scheduled to gather further information, or your options may be discussed with you
 over the phone.
- All children are placed on a waitlist during application processing. Those families found to be
 eligible for Head Start will have an opportunity to learn about the comprehensive services
 available to them. It is our goal to ensure that as many children as possible get into high-quality
 early care and education so it could take up to a few months to complete the process. Our aim is
 to have all children assigned to a program by mid-July; though this is dependent on families
 turning in applications early.
- You will be offered the best possible option for programming and services, and your needs and preferences will be discussed with you.
- Though we will make every effort to fill each family's needs, it would be wise to make yourself aware of other high-quality preschool & childcare options for the fall, in the event that classes fill up and your child needs to stay on the waitlist. Go to www.greatstarttoquality.org for help in locating other high-quality options in your area.

The *Menominee-Delta-Schoolcraft Early Childhood Joint Recruitment & Enrollment Process* has been explained to me and I understand what the next steps will be.

Parent/Guardian Signature	Date





Menominee County Early Childhood Application





By **Dec.1st**, a participant MUST be: an expectant mother, or birth-3 yrs old for **Early Head Start**; or 3 or 4 yrs old for **Head Start**

Return by mail, fax or email to:

Angie Gardner, Family/Comm. Manager MDS CAA Early Childhood Program F 111 North 5th St., Escanaba, MI

Ph: (906)786-7080, ext 141 Fax: (906)786-6889

Email: agardner@mdsecp.org

By Sept.1st, a participant MUST be 4-years-old for the Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)

Return to your school; or by mail, fax or email to:

Jennifer MacDonald, GSRP Coordinator
Menominee County ISD
1201 41st Ave, Menominee, MI
Ph: (906) 863-5665 Ext 1046
Fax: (906) 863-7776
Email: jmacdonald@mc-isd.org

Date of Birth: Male Female Child's Full Name: State: ____ Zip:____ City: Child's address: Preschool / childcare child currently attends: Is your child's primary language* English? Yes No If no, what is the primary language? *Primary language means the dominant language used by a person for communication Child's ethnicity: Hispanic (A child's race / ethnicity is not considered when determining a family's eligibility) Asian White Child's race: American Indian Multi-racial Black/African-American Native Hawaiian Other: or Alaska Native or Pacific Islander Does this child have health insurance? Yes No Insurance Name and Number: Mother (or expecting mother)/Guardian Full Name: Employed (Check one): Yes No Status: Part-Time Full Time Seasonal Highest level of education completed: Address (If different than child):____ Citv: Do you text at this number? Yes No Email: Primary phone number: Married Separated Divorced Widowed Live-in Partner Yes No Due date: Currently pregnant? (Check one): Father / Guardian Full Name: Employed (Check one): Yes No Status: Part-Time Full Time Seasonal Highest level of education completed: Address (If different than child): Do you text at this number? Yes No Email:____ Marital status (Check one): Single Married Separated Divorced Widowed Live-in Partner Race: Other Family Members: First, Middle & Last names of all other children living in the home Birth date: Sex: Related to: Yes No. For those programs where transportation services are not offered, are you able to transport your child each day? For children placed in a program with bussing, please list: Pick-up location - Name & Street Address: Drop-off location – Name & Street Address:____ *Office Staff Only: Bus Route to School: Toddler Room Home-based Program preference, if any: Full Day Preferred program name or location: A secondary contact number or message phone in case you cannot be reached at numbers above: North Central School district in which the child lives or plans to attend: Menominee Stephenson Carney

Income Eligibility Information

Parents/guardians must provide proof of income including ALL sources of family income as outlined below. The period of time to be considered for eligibility is the 12 months, or the calendar year prior to applying, whichever is more accurate in reflecting a family's current need. Early Childhood Staff will review and need copies of all proof of income and are available to assist families in determining what documentation is needed. Copies may be made by the applicant and included with the application or can be made on-site as needed.

A **FAMILY** is defined as all persons living in the same household who are:

FAMILY DEMOGRAPHICS: # of Adults in the family

Supported by the income of the parent/guardian(s) of the child applicant (or spouse & self for pregnant mom) **AND**, related to the parent/guardian(s) by blood, marriage, or adoption.

The one exception is for Early Head Start (EHS) applicants who are pregnant, under the age of 20, and not married. In this case, the applicant's income determines eligibility regardless of her parents' income even if she still lives with them.

Income Source	\$ Amount		rified X)		Notes
Income Tax from 1040	Gross:				
W-2					
TANF documentation (FIP Cash Assist.)					
SNAP documentation (food program)					
Pay stubs					
Unemployment Statement					
Written statement from employer					
Adoption/Foster care payments					
SSI Documentation					
Child Support					
Pension(s)					
Other: (Veterans benefits, SSDI, rental incon	ne,				
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GSRP/Head Start/Early Head Start Child & Family Risk Factors

Answer all of the following questions by placing an X in the Yes or No Box	Yes	No				
1. Low family income (See Early Childhood Application)						
Is income unreliable or do parents experience stress related to the loss of income?						
Is either parent unemployed or underemployed?						
2. Diagnosed disability or identified developmental delay						
Does this child have a referral or diagnosis from a physical or mental health system or provider, or other early childhood program? Please Describe:						
Does this child have a Special Education referral with developmental concerns noted, but not eligible for services?						
Does this child have an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) from the school district or an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) from Early on? Please share the diagnosis:						
3. Severe or challenging behavior						
Has this child been expelled from preschool/childcare due to severe or challenging behavior?						
Does this child or anyone else in the home demonstrate intense anger or aggression, physically hurting others or damaging property when angry?						
Has this family participated in family counseling or any other program to help manage your child's behavior?	<u> </u>					
4. Primary home language other than English						
Is this child entering school unable to speak English and must learn the language?						
Is there a language spoken at home other than English? Specify:						
5. Parent/Guardian educational attainment						
Did either parent drop out of school, struggle or attend special education classes in school?						
Does either parent have trouble reading to your child?						
Is either parent disabled?						
6. Physical/sexual abuse/neglect of child or parent/substance abuse/addiction						
Is, or has this child been abused physically or sexually?						
Is, or has there been domestic or spousal abuse of a parent or sibling?						
Has this child been removed from home for neglect or has a parent been charged with neglect?						
Has there been abuse of alcohol, prescription, or non-prescription drugs by family members who live in the home?						
Is either parent an adult child of an alcoholic?						
7. Environmental risk						
Is this child in foster care or a ward of the court?						
Has this child lost a parent due to separation, divorce or absence?						
Has this child lost a parent due to a sentence to jail or prison?						
Has this child lost a parent or sibling due to death?						
Is this child living with a relative or person other than the biological parent(s)?		1				
Does this child have a parent who is currently away due to active military service?	+					
Is this a single-parent family?	+					
Does this child or other family member in the home suffer from mental illness? (i.e., Bipolar Mania, Schizophrenia, Clinical Depression, Personality Disorder, etc.) Does this child or other family member in the home suffer from chronic illness or life-threatening disease? (i.e., asthma,						
allergies, chronic ear infections, vision or hearing problems, weight or growth concerns, cancer, dialysis, heart failure, seizure, sickle cell anemia, etc.) Other:						
Was this child born to a teenage parent; or into a family with 3 or more children under age 5?	↓	1				
Is this child's home/neighborhood unsafe due to crowding, crime, lack of utilities or safe spaces to play?						
Was the child exposed to toxic substances (pre or postnatal) known to cause learning or developmental delays; such as Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, drugs, or exposure to lead?						
Does this family reside in an area with limited access to community resources?						
Is the family without a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence? (Does not have a consistent place to live, home is in foreclosure, stays with another family because there are no other options, or moved 3 or more times in the past						
year)? (Separate form required) 2023-24 GSRP / HEAD START RISK FACTORS REV 3/2024	PAGE 1	1 of 2				

This section is for Early Head Start (EHS) families ONLY: Pregnancy through Age 2

Additional EHS Only Risk Factors: Place an X in the Yes or No Box, including additional information as requested.	Yes	No			
Mother is currently pregnant					
There is/was a lack of consistent prenatal care with this child, or this pregnancy.					
There are/were health care issues with this child, or this pregnancy. (Please explain)					
The child was born low birth weight. (Under 5 lbs. 8 oz)					
There were birth complications. (Please explain)					
This was a premature birth, prior to 37 weeks of gestation. How many weeks early?					
This is a first-time parent.					
Well child checks have been inconsistent or immunizations are not up to date.					
This child has a suspected medical condition. (Please explain)					
There are childcare issues. (Please explain)					
(3) No previous EHS services have been used, or services were for less than 1 year					
(2) Prior EHS services were used for 1, up to 2 years					
(1) Prior EHS services were used for 2, up to 3 years					
I certify that all the information provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge and hereby release this inform shared with Menominee School Readiness Advisory Committee and the member agencies that serve children and families.	nation to	be			
Parent/Guardian Signature Date					
Staff person Signature Date					
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE USE ONLY:					
(3) EHS/HS income eligibility (0-100%)(2) Automatic HS/GSRP- Foster, SSI, TANF, Unstable housing,(1) EHS/HS 101-130%					
Total:					