

# Pre-K Enrollment

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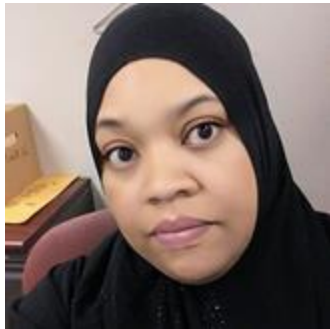
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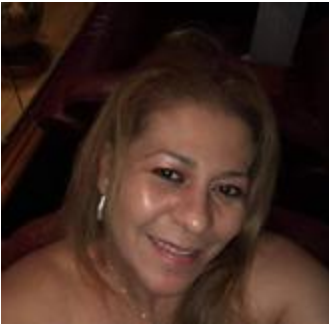
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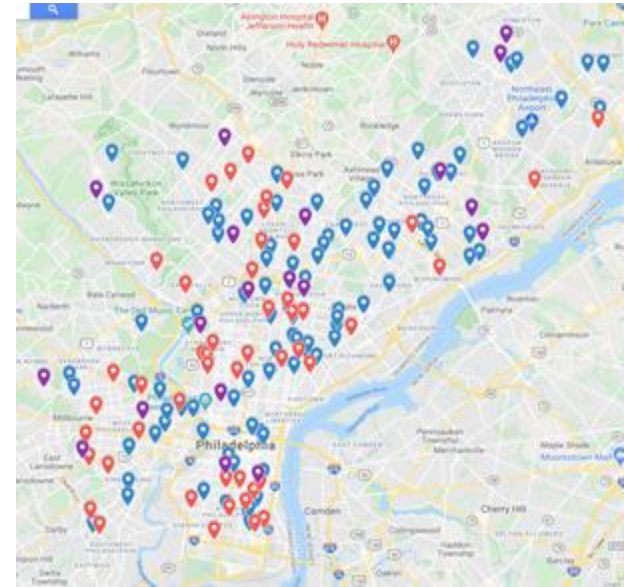
# Is PreK Important?

- High-quality pre-K significantly improves children's early literacy, language, math and social/emotional skills as they enter kindergarten.
- High-quality pre-K reduces special education placements by nearly half through 2nd grade.
- High-quality pre-K reduces grade repetition by as much as a third through 8th grade.
- High-quality pre-K increases the likelihood of high school graduation and college enrollment, which in turn leads to stronger employment opportunities and increased lifetime earning potential.



# Location of Sites

- 200 sites
- located in every major geographic region of Philadelphia
- sites are in schools and at community providers
- all are rated as high quality by Pennsylvania standards



*Transportation not available for PreK Students.*



# Program Components

## Academic Curriculum

- Developmentally appropriate
- Meets all state academic standards
- All content areas

## Home Visits

- Occur at least twice annually with family approval
- Discuss child progress and any family concerns





# Program Components

## Health & Wellness

- Medical (hearing, vision)
- Dental
- Developmental
- Mental health

## Nutrition

- Free breakfast, lunch, and afternoon snack
- Dietary adaptations
- Nutrition workshops for parents





# Program Components

## Services for Students with Special Needs

- students with IEPs are served on-site, closely coordinated with Early Intervention team
- growing number of bilingual programs for English Language Learners
- mental health consultants available to all centers
- child needs addressed through family support



# Program Components

## Parent and Family Engagement

- tools and resources for every parent to engage in learning with their child
- all parents are strongly encouraged to volunteer in the classroom
- Parent education and workshops
- Parent Policy/Governance Council (HS only)



# District PreK Eligibility

Three factors are verified to determine eligibility for District PreK services:

- Philadelphia Residency
- Ages 3-5 years (*Age on Sept 1st is what counts*)
- Family Income
  - **Head Start:** less than 100% of FPL
  - **Pre-K Counts:** less than 300% of FPL
  - **PHL PreK:** no income requirements

*Income not needed for McKinney Vento Families and Foster - they are automatically eligible for all programs.*



# Required Documentation

1. Proof of Philadelphia residency
2. Proof of child's date of birth
3. Documentation of family income
4. Proof of TANF (DPW) cash, SNAP/food stamps, medical assistance
5. Child's health insurance card
6. Physical (health assessment) and Immunizations
7. Completed dental form
8. Picture identification of parent/guardian

*Note: Please include the following if they apply to you: Med -1 Form, custody order, a copy of child's IEP, foster letter, and/or homeless verification letter/shelter letter.*



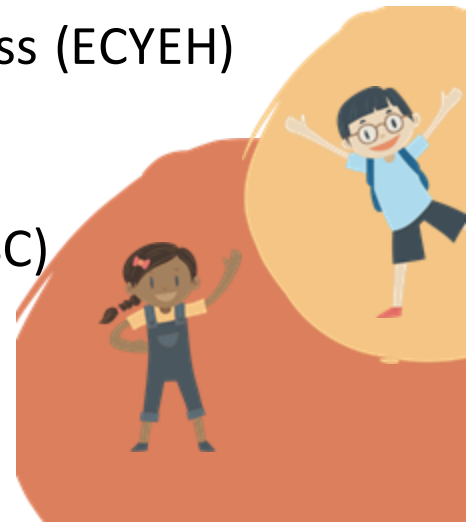
# Five ways to apply to Pre-K

1. [Online Application Available](#) (quickest turn-around)
2. Email [paper application](#) to staff with supporting documentation
3. Mail application with supporting documentation to 440
4. Go to 440 and drop off application with supporting documentation
5. Go to a [Neighborhood Registration Event](#) and drop off [Paper Application](#)



# Collaborative Efforts to reach McKinney Vento Families

1. Children's Work Group Early Childhood Conferences (CWGEC)
  - BELL Project
    - Self Assessment Tool
  - OHS Data
2. Education for Children & Youth Experiencing Homelessness (ECYEH)
  - Uniform Ordering
3. Philadelphia Immigrant Education Collaborative (HIAS, NSC)
4. Hands On Mobile Enrollment (H.O.M.E)



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