

MARCH
2022



Holiday Schedule
(Administrative Offices)

April 15th
Good Friday

Program Mission

Educating children and
empowering families.

YVEDDI Head Start

Do you or someone you know have a child that will be 3 or 4 years old on or
before August 31, 2022?

If so, you can complete an application for your child NOW for the 2022-2023 school year. Scan
the QR code below with your camera to contact us!

Open Enrollment



March 18th, 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

Surry County

L. H. Jones Family Resource Center, 215 Jones School Road, Mt. Airy, NC 27030

March 22nd, 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

Stokes County

Walnut Cove Public Library, 106 5th St., Walnut Cove, NC 27052

March 29th 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

Davie County

Davie County Public Library, 371 N Main St., Mocksville, NC 27028

March 31st 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

Yadkin County

YVEDDI District Office, 533 N. Carolina Ave HWY. 601N, Boonville, NC 27011

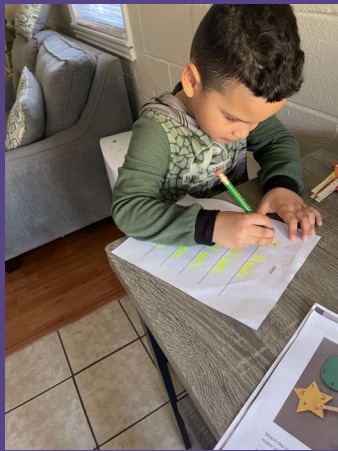
Walk-ins/Drive-ups are welcome.

Parents can also call in advance and schedule an appointment with the Family Advocate to complete an
application either inside the building or in their vehicles.

Masks are strongly encouraged.

** Those who complete their entire application including documentation will be entered into a drawing for a
prize! The raffle winner will be announced by the end of April.

*Head Start is following all required state health guidelines regarding COVID-19 to ensure the health of our staff and
the families we serve. We may potentially offer remote services, depending on the status of the pandemic.



Paynetown is learning about clothing and writing during remote learning

YVEDDI Head Start Administrative Office

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Do you have a child with disabilities?



IDEA - the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (p. L. 102 -119) was passed by Congress and requires that all states and territories provide a public school education to children with disabilities from ages 3 to 21, no matter how severe their disabilities are.

This law promises to children with disabilities a “free appropriate public education” at public expense, that their educational placement is based on an evaluation of each child’s own special needs and that an Individualized Education Program (IEP) is planned for your child and states the services they will receive.

If you have a child with disabilities be sure they are receiving the special education they deserve. If you need further information, please call the Head Start Office at (336) 367-4993 and we will be glad to help.

Don't keep us a secret

Have you been
impacted due
to the
COVID-19
Pandemic?



We have received additional funding from the Federal Government CARES Act to help meet your needs.

We can assist
qualifying families for:

- ✓ Nutrition for families & pets
- ✓ Transportation
- ✓ Childcare
- ✓ Education and training
- ✓ Health care
- ✓ Employment
- ✓ Utilities

We Can Help!

Call today
for more information!

(336) 790-5206

*Anyone applying must meet 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines



YVEDDI...your local Community Action Agency serving Davie, Stokes, Surry and Yadkin counties



NCWorks Online is a one-stop online resource for job seekers and employers in North Carolina. Job seekers can search for jobs, create resumes, and find education and training. Visit the website today www.ncworks.gov or stop by one of the office locations listed below.

<p>Surry County NCWorks Career Center 541 West Pine Street Suite 300 Mount Airy, NC 27030</p>	<p>Phone: (336) 786-4169 Email: ncworks.6200@nccommerce.com</p> <p>Days/Hours of operation: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM-5:00 PM</p>
<p>Yadkin County Workforce Center 1001 College Dr. Yadkinville, NC 27055</p>	<p>Phone: (336) 386-3580 Email: ncworks.9000@nccommerce.com</p> <p>Days/Hours of operation: Monday 8:30 AM-5:00 PM</p>
<p>Davie County Workforce Center DDCC Library 1205 South Salisbury Street Room #115 Mocksville, NC 27028</p>	<p>Phone: (336) 934-3286 Email: ncworks.5800@nccommerce.com</p> <p>Days/Hours of operation: Monday-Friday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM</p>
<p>Forsyth County-NCWorks Career Center 2701 University Parkway Winston Salem, NC 27105</p>	<p>Phone: (336) 464-0520 Email: ncworks.9800@nccommerce.com</p> <p>Days/Hours of operation: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM-5:00 PM</p>

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT AND SCHOOL READINESS

Research shows that when parents are doing well, their children are happier and more successful in school. To help families achieve success, we team each family with a Family Advocate. Because each family has different strengths and needs, the support your advocate provides will vary to suit your needs. There are countless ways in which Family Advocates can be a resource. Some of them include:

- Connecting you to services and resources you need, such as food, housing, medical assistance, or counseling services
- Providing information and support to help you meet your goals for education, job skills, housing, etc.
- Helping you understand and complete paperwork

Your Family Advocate is working with you to complete a Family Partnership Agreement. This is a plan you develop together that describes the goals set for your child and family, as well as the steps to meet your goals.

Center Arrival Time

Head Start arrival time is from 8:00 AM – 8:30 A.M. No child will be accepted after 8:30 A.M. for any reason other than a doctor's appointment.

Please bring a doctor's note to ensure proper documentation of absence.

If your child has an appointment, you will need to inform the teacher the day before or by 8:30 the morning of so that lunch can be ordered for your child. If, after the appointment your child cannot arrive by 10:30, you will need to make other arrangements for the day.



www.NC211.org

Need Help, But Don't Know Where To Turn?
DIAL 2-1-1

Free ▪ Confidential ▪ 24 Hours a Day ▪ Any Language

Your connection to:

- Basic Needs (food, clothing, shelter)
- Child Care Services
- Consumer Help
- Counseling
- Crisis Intervention
- Health Care
- Housing
- Senior Services
- Support Groups
- Volunteer Opportunities

Stokes County 2022 Kindergarten Registration Days			
Germanton Elementary	March 30 th	8:00am-12:30 pm	(336) 591-4021
King Elementary	March 31 st	12:00pm- 4:00 pm	(336) 983-5824
Lawsonville Elementary	March 24 th	8:00am- 11:00am	(336) 593-8284
London Elementary	March 22 nd	8:00am-10:00am	(336) 591-7204
Mount Olive Elementary	March 8 th	8:00am-11:00am	(336) 591-7204
Nancy Reynolds Elementary	March 10 th	8:00am – 11:00am	(336) 351-2480
Pine Hall Elementary	March 15 th	8:00am – 11:00am	(336) 427-3689
Pinnacle Elementary	March 29 th	7:00 am -11:00am	(336) 368-2990
Poplar Springs Elementary	March 23 rd	3:00pm – 6:00pm	(336) 985-0234
Sandy Ridge Elementary	March 17 th	8:30am – 11:00am	(336) 871-2400
Walnut Cove Elementary	March 16 th	8:30am – 11:00am	(336) 591-4408
BH Tharrington 2022 Kindergarten Registration Days Tharringtonschool.org			
Tharrington Elementary School	No Day-Online only	N/A	(336) 789-9046
Davie County Schools 2022 Kindergarten Registration Days			
Pinebrook Elementary	March 31 st	3:30 PM-6:00 PM	(336) 998-3868
Shady Grove Elementary	March 31 st	3:30 PM-6:00 PM	(336) 998-4719
Cornatzer Elementary	March 31 st	3:30 PM-6:00 PM	(336) 940-5097
Mocksville Elementary	March 31 st	3:30 PM-6:00 PM	(336) 751-2740
Cooleemee Elementary	March 31 st	3:30 PM-6:00 PM	(336) 284-6618
William R. Davie Elementary	March 31 st	3:30 PM-6:00 PM	(336) 492-5421
Surry County Schools 2022 Kindergarten Registration Days			
All Elementary Schools Beginners Day	March 22 nd	6:30pm	336-386-8211
Cedar Ridge Elementary	March 22 nd	6:30pm	336-352-4320
Copeland Elementary	March 22 nd	6:30pm	336-374-2572
Dobson Elementary	March 22 nd	6:30pm	336-376-8913
Flat Rock elementary	March 22 nd	6:30pm	336-786-2910
Franklin Elementary	March 22 nd	6:30pm	336-786-2459
Mountain Park Elementary	March 22 nd	6:30pm	336-874-3933
Pilot Mountain Elementary	March 22 nd	6:30pm	336-444-8200
Rockford Elementary	March 22 nd	6:30pm	336-374-6300
Shoals Elementary	March 22 nd	6:30pm	336-325-2240
Westfield Elementary	March 22 nd	6:30pm	336-351-2745
White Plains Elementary	March 22 nd	6:30pm	336-320-3434

Elkin City Schools 2022 Kindergarten Registration Days Elkincityschoools.org			
Elkin Elementary	No Day-Online only	N/A	336-835-2756
Yadkin County Schools 2022 Kindergarten Registration Days Yadkin.k12.nc.us			
Boonville Elementary	No Day-Online only		336-367-7021
Courtney Elementary	No Day-Online only		336-551-1120
East Bend Elementary	No Day-Online only		336-699-3989
Fall Creek Elementary	No Day-Online only		336-699-8257
Forbush Elementary	No Day-Online only		336-699-2793
Jonesville Elementary	No Day-Online only		336-835-3201
West Yadkin Elementary	No Day-Online only		336-551-1165
Yadkinville Elementary	No Day-Online only		336-679-8921

Trouble Paying for Internet??

About the Affordable Connectivity Program

The Affordable Connectivity Program is an FCC benefit program that helps ensure that households can afford the broadband they need for work, school, healthcare and more.

The benefit provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price.

The Affordable Connectivity Program is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household.

Who Is Eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program?

A household is eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program if the household income is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, or if a member of the household meets at least *one* of the criteria below:

- Participates in certain assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC, or Lifeline;
- Participates in Tribal specific programs, such as Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Tribal TANF, or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations;
- Participates in the National School Lunch Program or the School Breakfast Program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision;
- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year; or
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income internet program.

Two Steps to Enroll

1. Go to ACPBenefit.org to submit an application or print out a mail-in application.
2. Contact your preferred participating provider to select a plan and have the discount applied to your bill.

Note: Some providers may have an alternative application that they will ask you to complete.

Eligible households must both apply for the program and contact a participating provider to select a service plan.

Head Start parents Macario and Amber Alvarado and their children Roman and Emelia, are enjoying the fruits of their labor at their new Habitat for Humanity home. Family Advocate for the Sandy Ridge classroom, Angelina Melvin, explains how this family goal began.

During my Home Visit to the family, one of their family goals was to own a home. They had the land, but needed a bigger home. Therefore, I decided to connect them to our local Habitat for Humanity Program. I knew they could help them since they had awarded a home in years past to another Head Start family in Sandy Ridge. I thought it was so wonderful for both parents being veterans, to have a home built for their family. Both children had attended Head Start and it was a perfect chance to let them know how Head Start helps parents to provide better environments for parents and children that will last a lifetime, and to empower them to follow their dreams.

I referred the family to Habitat for Humanity. I talked to Holly Pegram, Family Services Coordinator, for the program. Ms. Pegram contacted the Alvarado family, scheduled a meeting and started working with the pair until all requirements and finances were completed and accepted to the program.

In May of 2020, Mrs. Alvarado called me to let me know about the Groundbreaking ceremony to take place on May 10, 2020. It was magnificent and family and friends, along with all of the Habitat for Humanity Staff attended the ceremony.

Fast forward to December of 2021, Amber (mom), texted to let me know the house is finished. They will have a dedication ceremony on December 12, 2021 on School Beasley Road in Sandy Ridge.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Alvarado on owning their own home and a big thank you to Ms. Angelina Melvin for her diligent follow through and care of Head Start children and their families. Angelina shows families that dreams truly can come true with hard work and perseverance.



WEATHERIZATION

The Department of Environmental Quality has designated funds to assist low-income families and individuals to have adequate heat in their homes and to reduce their utility costs by means of weatherization. The Heating Appliance Repair/Replacement Program (HARRP) can repair or replace a heating system that is functioning below the manufacturer's standards. Weatherization includes installing insulation, sealing air leaks, and performing measures that will reduce energy usage. To meet the financial requirements for assistance, the gross household income for the last 12 months cannot exceed 200% of the Federal Poverty Index. To find out more information, call (336) 367-3535.



DID YOU KNOW?

Showing up on time every day is important to your child's success and learning from preschool forward.

Missing 10 percent of preschool (one or two days every few weeks) can

- Make it harder to develop early reading skills
- Make it harder to get ready for kindergarten and first grade
- Develop a poor attendance pattern that's hard to break

High quality preschool programs have many benefits for your child. The routines your child develops in preschool will continue throughout school. You can make the most of preschool by encouraging your child to attend every day!

Medical Minute

Disclaimer: The information in this article does not replace going to your healthcare provider for any illness or injury to you or your child and not all medications or treatments are safe for everyone.

What is an ear infection and what does it cause?

An ear infection is a condition that can cause pain in the ear, fever, and trouble hearing. Ear infections are common in children. Ear infections often occur in children after they get a cold. Fluid can build up in the middle part of the ear behind the eardrum. This fluid can become infected and press on the eardrum, causing it to bulge. This causes the symptoms of pain in the ear and trouble hearing.

In some children, some fluid can stay in the ear for weeks to months after the pain and infection have gone away. This fluid can cause hearing loss that is usually mild and temporary. If the hearing loss lasts a long time, it can sometimes lead to problems with language and speech, especially in children who are at risk for problems with language or learning.

In infants and young children, the symptoms include:

- Fever
- Pulling on the ear
- Being more fussy or less active than usual
- Having no appetite and not eating as much
- Vomiting or diarrhea

In older children, symptoms often include ear pain or temporary hearing loss.

How is it diagnosed?

The doctor or nurse should be able to tell if your child has an ear infection. They will ask about symptoms, do an exam, and look in your child's ears.

How is it spread?

Ear infections are not contagious and therefore do not spread from one person to another.

What is the treatment?

You can give your child medicine, such as acetaminophen (Tylenol) or ibuprofen (Advil, Motrin) to reduce the pain.

Never give aspirin to a child younger than 18 years old.

Doctors can treat ear infections with antibiotics.

Doctors usually prescribe antibiotics to treat ear infections in infants younger than 2 years old. For children older than 2, doctors sometimes hold off on antibiotics.

Your child's doctor might suggest watching your child's symptoms for 1 or 2 days before trying antibiotics if:

- Your child is healthy in general
- The pain and fever are not severe

You and your doctor should discuss whether or not to give your child antibiotics. This will depend on your child's age, health problems, and how many ear infections they have had in the past.

You should also see the doctor or nurse a few months after an ear infection if your child is younger than 2 or has language or learning problems. Your doctor or nurse will do an ear exam to make sure the fluid is gone. Your child might also need follow-up testing to check their hearing.

If the fluid in the ear is causing hearing loss and does not go away after several months, your doctor might suggest treatment to help drain the fluid.

How do we prevent repeat infections?

If your child gets a lot of ear infections, the doctor might suggest that your child get routine vaccines (that they might be missing). The doctor might also talk with you about the risks and benefits of:

- Giving your child an antibiotic every day during certain months of the year
- Doing surgery to place a small tube in your child's eardrum

Danbury Head Start learns about Floating and Sinking



Perfect Attendance



November 2021

Boonville

Liliana Gonzalez
Brooklyn Hall
Jesse Hodges
Ty Judkins
Abigail Luviano
Josiah Mitchell
Kensleigh Mitchell
Jaxon Washburn

JK I

Sofia Alvarado
Colton Jones
Nathan Reilly
Tobias Sanford

JK II

Michael Boger
Michaela Dalton
Zachary Denton
Autumn Glover
Cylee Hayes
Korben Myers

Jones I

Benton Fletcher
Lavarrius Mitchell
Malia Wilson

Jones II

Colton Garza
Zakaria George
Faith King
Marian Leftwich
Myles Mabe

Jones III

Akari Crisostomo
Damian Mojica Rosado
Jason Phillips
Ava Valentine

Jones IV

Aalexia Jacobs
Tymir Little
Brody O'Neal
Sarai Rosario-Seda

Jones V

Paulina Agabo
Gabriel Bingman
Paxx Mason
Tina Tran

Jonesville

Chase Bengé
Angel Olague
Laelah Olague
Graylon Spicer
Allison Willard

London

Kaleb Bowman
Justice Canady
Aubree Chamberlain
Hadlee Nichols
Bentley Withers

Oak Grove

Kirstin Chappell
Victoria Cruz
Daisy Rodriguez

Red Hill Creek

Kynley Ledford

Sandy Ridge

Macon Boles
Allie Bullins
Lacey Henry
Lailah Zigar

Surry

Maria Maciel
Dalary Rodriguez-Maciel

Yadkinville I

Lillian Gabriel-De Leon
Kevin Gabriel-De Leon
Lindsey Gonzalez
Christian Mendoza
Sofia Vivas-Estrada

Yadkinville III

Angel Burgos

Daniel Burgos
Azuleyda Hernandez-
Sarabia
Ella Murdock
Zycara Owens
Allison Quezada

December 2021

Boonville

Liliana Gonzalez
Ty Judkins
Abigail Luviano
Susana Ochoa
Mia Smith

Danbury

Camila Garcia-Pacheco
Luna Garcia-Pacheco

JK I

Xena Bales
Lucas Coble

Jones I

Kehlani Quiroz

Jones II

Marian Leftwich

Jones III

Benjamin Linares
Paisley Pulliam

Jones V

Tymir Little

Jonesville

Aiden Fields
Josephine Lauchner-
Reneau
Lionel Mijes-Valdez

London

Aubree Chamberlain

Mount Olive

A'miyah Hairston
Nova Jones
Kevin Moore
Shattalon Traylor

Oak Grove

Kirstin Chappell
Victoria Cruz
Gabriel Holbrook
Daryn Smith
Adriana Zalveta Hernandez

Red Hill Creek

Dayle Tilley
Sandy Ridge
Macon Boles
Hartleigh Mabe
Lailah Zigar

Surry

Andrea Cristobal-Loa
Evelyn Hethcoat
Maria Maciel
Waylon Orellana

January 2022

Boonville

Liliana Gonzalez
Brooklyn Hall
Ty Judkins

Danbury

Johnathon Branch
Lydia Moser
Natalie Moser

Jack Koontz I

Colton Jones



Perfect Attendance



Jack Koontz II

Zachary Denton

Jones II

Brantley Burick

Kaylee Burick

Avery Cox

Amara Imburgia

Nikolai Jones

Braxton Lang

Myles Mabe

Jones III

Brailynn Cox

Joseph Cox

Akari Crisostormo

Oakleigh Hernandez

Damian Mojica Rosado

Jones V

Adalynn Lawson

Zayden Linville

Tina Tran

London

Justice Canady

Mocksville

Zoey Adkins

Jhayla Medlin

Mount Olive

Amelia Christensen

Nathaniel Stephens

Oak Grove

Tristin Calloway

Adriana Zalvaleta Hernandez

Red Hill Creek

Carson Cooke

Dayle Tilley

Sandy Ridge

David Hays

Zenaida Miller

Surry

June Justice

Lucero Villasenor

James Wagoner

Yadkinville I

Liam Chavez-Albarran

Kylan Cranford

Hunter Miller

Maverick-McCoy Reid

Damian Reyes

Yadkinville III

Joseph Perrusquia



Sandy Ridge Head Start children learning math, science and writing during at home activities



Mocksville Head Start getting ready for Valentine's Day!



Boonville Head Start getting ready for Valentine's Day!

Funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and N.C. Pre-Kindergarten

Serving Davie, Stokes, Surry, and Yadkin Counties

Family Engagement

It is important for YVEDDI Head Start to create and promote an environment where parents and families feel respected, valued, and encouraged to become involved in their child's school experience. Our hope is that parents are truly partners and are involved in all aspects of the program. We encourage you to participate in activities held in your child's classroom.

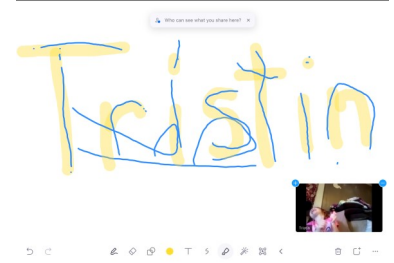
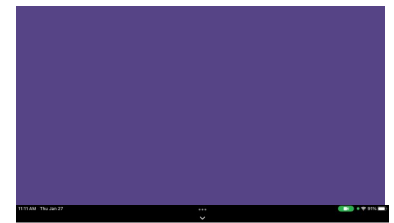
Each Head Start Center has a Parent Committee that meets monthly for about an hour. This is an opportunity for parents of the center to get together and share ideas and concerns pertaining to their center and their community.

During Parent Committee meetings, we also provide trainings on topics that parents have suggested. These meetings are held the first two weeks of every month. Please check with your child's teacher for the specific times and dates. Your opinion and voice are very important and we hope to see you there.

We also provide opportunities for parents to develop leadership skills, as well as opportunities to advocate within the community. The Policy Council, which meets on a monthly basis, provides opportunities for parents to identify community needs and develop strategies to address those needs.

Parents from each center's Parent Committees are elected to Policy Council and receive training to help them better understand their roles and responsibilities as members.

Policy Council is comprised of parents, staff, and community partners. Parents are elected into the officer positions of Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary. It is this group's responsibility to oversee all components of the Head Start program including hiring of staff, program budgets, and program policies.



Oak Grove remote learning. It has been fun for the children to interact with Ms. Hernandez using the white board during individual meetings.



Tax Return Info:

Monthly Child Allowance

What's new? The Child Tax Credit (CTC) provided for by the ARP has not been extended into 2022. Families will receive a letter by mail from the IRS about the CTC payments they received in 2021. They may need this letter when filing their tax returns in order to claim the remainder of the credit. Filing taxes is the only way to ensure families receive the remainder of the CTC for 2021.

What can staff and families do? Inform families who qualified for the CTC payment to expect a letter from the IRS, and to include this letter when they file their 2021 tax return, especially if they need to claim the remainder of the credit.

