Edmonds Community College

Birth to Five Family Centers

For Head Start and Early Head Start

Enrollment Frequently Asked Questions

Are you still accepting applications?

Applications are accepted all year long for all programs.

What do I need to send in with my application?

You need to send proof of your child's date of birth – some things we can use for this are: a copy of the child's birth certificate, passport, or insurance card showing name and birthdate. You also need to send proof of your family's income – taxes, W2 forms, check stub with YTD totals, DSHS or SSI award letter.

When will I know if my family qualifies?

We will send out a postcard as soon as we receive your application. Within two weeks after receiving the application, we will mail a letter. This letter will tell you if your application is complete and if your family qualifies. At busy times of the year, this may take longer.

If my family is over-income, can I pay?

No, only families that qualify can attend. However, we are allowed to take a small number of over-income families if we are not able to fill our openings.

Are there any openings?

Openings occur throughout the year when people leave the program. We fill openings when this happens. In order to be placed, you will need to fill out an application and get on the waiting list.

What does the Waiting List mean?

This means that your application is complete, your family qualifies, and we are waiting for an opening in the program. The order of the waiting list is determined by a point system, not by date the application was completed. The child with the highest priority will be placed first.

How long do I have to wait?

There is no way to tell. Children are selected from the waiting list when openings occur. We don't know when this will happen.

Is there transportation?

We do not provide any transportation. Some transportation options are: self-transport, parent carpool, Community Transit bus pass (if eligible).

Do you serve children with special needs?

Yes. We serve children with special needs along with typically developing children. We work with local school districts to determine the best placement for children with special needs.