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# Give Your Child a Head Start in Life

## Head Start/Early Head Start

**Our Head Start/Early Head Start program provides infant/toddler and preschool services to children and families throughout Western New York.**

The mission of the program is to provide a learning environment that supports children's growth and development through improved language, literacy, and numeracy skills along with a positive social setting where they can learn about others and explore topics such as health and nutrition. Speech therapists, physical and occupational therapists and special education teachers work directly with our children and teachers to support their needs.

Parents play a vital role in our program and are encouraged to volunteer in the classroom, develop committees, and be a part of the policy and decision making process for the program.

There are over 30 Head Start/Early Head Start Academies across our region. The program offers full day sessions, five days per week or limited Academies that offer half day sessions, four days per week.

Collaboration is a major key to the program's continued success. Our partnerships with human services programs to jointly operate include: Buffalo State College, Reading is Fundamental and many others.

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