

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. We aim 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

Intake Representative

Date