

Key Components of WV Pre~K

- Provide a safe and healthy environment for children to learn and grow.
- Use developmentally appropriate curriculum based on the research about how children learn.
- Provide building blocks for language and early literacy.
- Provide activities designed to support the development of early math skills.
- Work with families to assure meaningful communication and involvement in their child's program.
- Provide links through the curriculum for a smooth transition to kindergarten.
- Provide an educational setting inclusive of all children, including children with disabilities.



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MERCER COUNTY SCHOOLS PRE~K COLLABORATIVE PROGRAM

GENERAL INFORMATION



**A GREAT BEGINNING
FOR A LIFETIME OF
LEARNING**

What is a Pre-K Collaborative?



The PreK Classrooms in Mercer County comprise our PreK Collaborative. The classrooms include:

- Board of Education
- CASE Head Start
- Imagination Station Daycare and Learning Center
- Learning Tree House Child Care Center
- Mother Goose Child Care Center.

The Board of Education will be responsible for the oversight of the Pre-K classrooms, regardless of where the classroom is located. This means that all children in the Pre-K program will receive the same curriculum. The Pre-K classrooms will ensure that all enrolled children are better prepared to enter public school.

Mission

The Pre-K Collaborative mission is to help children become independent, self-confident and enthusiastic learners. The most important goal of our early childhood program is to teach children how to learn, not just at the age of four, but throughout their lives.

Pre-K Locations

Board of Education:

Mercer County Early Learning Centers—Silver Springs (Princeton) & Cumberland Heights (Bluefield)

Athens School
Bluewell Elementary
Lashmeet/Matoaka School
Montcalm Elementary
Oakvale School
Spanishburg School

CASE WV Head Start:

Bluefield Head Start
Kennedy Center Head Start
Lashmeet Head Start
New Hope Head Start
Thorn Head Start

Daycares and Child Care Centers:

Imagination Station Daycare and Learning Center
Learning Tree House Child Care Center
Mother Goose Child Care Center

REGISTRATION

Parents or guardians need to pre-register their child at the school in their attendance area. If there is not a Pre-K serving your attendance area, then you may apply in a neighboring district where enrollment will depend upon available space.

Please bring the following to registration:

- *Child's Social Security Card
- *Child's Immunization Record (must be complete before your child can register)
- *Child's State Birth Certificate
- *Child's WV Health Check Form
- *Proof of Residency
- * Proof of Income (W-2, Social Security Stub, Check Stub)

Attendance

Enrollment in the WV Pre-K Program is voluntary. However, once a child is enrolled, Mercer County Schools' attendance policy will apply.

Transportation



In-district Pre-K students may ride the Mercer County School buses with other elementary students. If a student is attending from out of district, then the parent or guardian provides the transportation. Case WV provides Head Start buses for transportation.

Weather

In the event that school must be closed, on a late schedule or dismissed early due to severe weather, an announcement will be made through the area media and/or through the School Messenger calling system. Please make sure that you have an emergency care plan in place should it be needed.

Illness

If your child becomes ill or has an accident, school authorities will use the information from your child's Emergency Card that is kept on file. No treatment of injuries, except simple first aid, will be given by school personnel.