



2024-2025 Cabarrus COUNTY PRE-K APPLICATION

Free Cabarrus County Pre-K Programs- Children must be four years of age on or before August 31, 2024 to be considered for Pre-K programs in Cabarrus County.

A 2024-2025 Pre-K Application must be complete. **Applications with missing information or supporting documentation will not be processed until all information is provided.**

THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED:

- Documentation of **All income** for parents living in the household who are working: **one month** of most recent check stubs, employer letter or, other income documentation such as a Form 1040 Tax Return for 2023, W-2 for 2023, proof of SSDI/SSA benefits, proof and of any public assistance currently receiving and/or proof of child support, if applicable. A documentation of No Income Statement can be submitted if parent is unemployed. Parents do not have to be employed for the child to be eligible.
- Child's Birth Certificate
- **Current** Health Assessment/Immunizations and a dental screening completed by the provider.
- Copy of child's Individualized Education Plan (**IEP**) if applicable
- If you are a **court-ordered** legal guardian of the child, please provide a copy of the court order or foster care authorization form. This must be included to process the application.
- Documentation of homelessness or military status, if applicable

Complete the Site Preference Form

A list of approved program sites and a Program Preference Form are part of this application. Your selections **do not guarantee placement at any site**, but allows you to indicate location(s) you are able to provide transportation for your child and you are able to access before and after school care if needed. **Please note program specific eligibility requirements below.**

Eligibility Criteria

NC Pre-K: All sources of family income cannot exceed 75% of the North Carolina median income/Public School sites must also meet Federal/TANF Poverty Guidelines of 200% or below. Other qualifying factors can include a documented delay or disability, receiving certain public services, military service, homelessness or foster care.

KCS Head Start: All sources of family income cannot exceed 100% of the federal poverty level. Other risk factors may be considered for eligibility including, but not limited to, a developmental need, as indicated by a developmental screening, homelessness as defined by the McKinney-Vento Act, separation from parent due to incarceration, and foster care placement or active duty military.

Submitting your application: Completed applications and supporting documents can be submitted online at www.cabarruspartnership.org or by email prekapplication@cabarruspartnership.org or fax or drop box locations listed on the following page (page 1) Appointments for completing the application are available on request.

Developmental Screening Appointments- Prior to placement, all children will be screened using the Dial 4 Developmental Assessment Screening Tool. After we have reviewed your application with the required documentation, a staff member will be in touch to schedule a screening appointment for the next available screening event. Children who currently have an active Individualized Education Plan (IEP) and receiving services from the local LEA (school district) will not need to be re-screened.

Placement Status Notification

Offers of placement will begin around the middle of June. Placements will continue until all available slots are filled. **Eligibility does not guarantee placement.**

Waiting Lists for Pre-K

Space is limited and some children will be placed on a wait list. Any remaining, completed applications after all slot placements are made will be placed on a waiting list. Applications received after **initial placements will automatically be placed on a waitlist.** You will be notified if a space becomes available at any time during the school year. ***Eligibility does not guarantee placement.***

C. Eligibility for Families at or below 75% of State Median Income

Income eligibility for the NC Pre-K Program is determined by family size and gross income

Table 1. 75% STATE MEDIAN INCOME	
Family Size	75 Percent State Median Income
1	\$ 38,684
2	\$ 50,587
3	\$ 62,490
4	\$ 74,393
5	\$ 86,295
6	\$ 98,198
7	\$ 100, 430
8	\$ 102,662
9	\$ 104,893
10	\$ 107,125
11	\$ 109,357
12	\$ 111,589

Effective: October 1, 2022
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce (Census Bureau) Communities Survey (ACS) 1-year Estimates-Released September 15, 2022

D. Temporary Assistance to Needy Families/Maintenance of Effort

Percent of Poverty Category: When a child is determined eligible for NC Pre-K services, a percentage of the poverty category must be determined using Table 2. **NOTE:** This information will be used for the purposes of meeting TANF/MOE requirements and **will not affect** eligibility determination for the NC Pre-K Program.

Table 2. Determining Percent of Poverty Category for TANF/MOE Reporting							
Family Size	Federal Poverty	133%	150%	185%	200%	250%	300%
1	\$14,580	\$18,954	\$21,870	\$26,973	\$29,160	\$36,450	\$43,740
2	\$19,720	\$25,636	\$29,580	\$36,482	\$39,440	\$49,300	\$59,160
3	\$24,860	\$32,318	\$37,290	\$45,991	\$49,720	\$62,150	\$74,580
4	\$30,000	\$39,000	\$45,000	\$55,500	\$60,000	\$75,000	\$90,000
5	\$35,140	\$45,682	\$52,710	\$65,009	\$70,280	\$87,850	\$105,420
6	\$40,280	\$52,364	\$60,420	\$74,518	\$80,560	\$100,700	\$120,840
7	\$45,420	\$59,046	\$68,130	\$84,027	\$90,840	\$113,550	\$136,260
8	\$50,560	\$65,728	\$75,840	\$93,536	\$101,120	\$126,400	\$151,680
9	\$55,700	\$72,410	\$83,550	\$103,045	\$111,400	\$139,250	\$167,100
10	\$60,840	\$79,092	\$91,260	\$112,554	\$121,680	\$152,100	\$182,520
11	\$65,980	\$85,774	\$98,970	\$122,063	\$131,960	\$164,950	\$197,940
12	\$71,120	\$92,456	\$106,680	\$131,572	\$142,240	\$177,800	\$213,360

Effective: January 2023
Source: 2021 Census Bureau’s poverty thresholds adjusted for price changes between 2021 and 2022 using the Consumer Price Index

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Please Note: **ALL QUESTIONS** must be answered and required documents must be included **before** submitting.
Only complete application packets will be processed. ALL DOCUMENTS listed on the instruction page must be included.

The Cabarrus Partnership for Children will not be responsible for applications turned in at locations not listed below. You will be given or mailed a receipt that is dated and signed by the person who accepted your application at these locations. Please keep your receipt and the cover page that provides additional information about Pre-K programs and the enrollment process.

Return completed application with documentation to one of the agencies listed below.

The Cabarrus Partnership for Children	Drop Box: Cabarrus Co DHS 1303 S Cannon Blvd Kannapolis 28083 Email: prekapplication@cabarruspartnership.org Online : www.cabarruspartnership.org	Office: 704-933-8278 Fax: 704-934-0029
McKnight Child Development Center	Drop Box: 1300 Glen Ave. Kannapolis, NC 28081 Email: McKnight@kcs.k12.nc.us Drop Boxes also at all KCS Elementary Schools	Office: 704-932-7433
Mary Frances Wall Center	Drop Box: 3801 US Hwy 601 S Concord, NC 28025 Email: Teri.McCollum@cabarrus.k12.nc.us	Office: 704-260-6790 Fax: 704-784-2346

****Funding for Pre-K programs is provided by state and federal sources. Eligibility criteria for a particular site depends upon the eligibility requirements. ****

The Cabarrus Partnership for Children, McKnight Child Development Center, Kannapolis City Schools and Cabarrus County Schools will share application information. This will allow your child to be considered for all Pre K programs for which your child is determined eligible.

In compliance with federal and state laws, The Cabarrus Partnership for Children, McKnight Child Development Center, Kannapolis City Schools, and Cabarrus County Schools administer all programs and admissions /selections for these Pre-K programs without discrimination because of race, religion, national or ethnic origin, color, age, military service, disability or gender, except where exemption is appropriate and allowed by law.

Date Stamp:
1/8/2024