Wayne RESA Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)

Families interested in enrolling their 4-year-old child in GSRP must submit income documentation. If a family’s income is 100% or less of the poverty guidelines, the family is eligible for Head Start. GSRP legislation requires specific collaboration when a child is eligible for Head Start. Therefore, any family who is Head Start income eligible will be referred to their local Head Start Program. Head Start staff is responsible for sharing information regarding the services that Head Start provides to families. These services include Health, Mental Health, Nutrition and Social Services.

If the family is still interested in enrolling their child in GSRP, even though they meet the Head Start income guidelines, the Head Start Referral/Release form available at www.resa.net/earlychildhood/gsrp must be completed with the parent and signed by the GSRP representative. The appropriate boxes will be checked that describe the reason(s) the parent is choosing to enroll in GSRP.

Once the Referral/Release form is completed and signed by the parent, it will be printed, scanned and emailed to the program’s local Head Start agency.

The appropriate Head Start agency will be responsible for signing and returning the form to GSRP within the agreed upon time frame (Not more than 72 hours or three business days) of receiving the document from GSRP, even if the family is not released by Head Start.

GSRP is required to maintain documentation of all attempts to have the Referral/Release form signed by Head Start. The following documents must be kept in the child’s file:

- The original completed Referral/Release form (without Head Start signature)
- The Referral/Release form that was signed by Head Start and returned to GSRP
- GSRP authorized staff will complete Section 4 of the Referral/Release form when received from Head Start.

Once GSRP staff has attempted to get the Referral/Release form signed by Head Start, GSRP has met their obligation and a child may be enrolled in GSRP if he/she meets the appropriate eligibility factors and age eligibility.

A current list of Head Start locations is available at www.resa.net/earlychildhood/gsrp.

Contact your Early Childhood Consultant with any questions.