

JACKSON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL

PRESCHOOL Four-Year-Old APPLICATION

School Choice: 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

Child's Name _____

Gender _____ Birthdate _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

1) Parent/Guardian Name _____ Relationship _____

Mailing Address (if different from above) _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

2) Parent/Guardian Name _____ Relationship _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Child lives with _____

Check all that apply below:

- My child has never been served in a preschool or childcare program
- My child is in unregulated child care (private babysitter, family member)
- My child currently attends a regulated child care program but does not receive subsidy
- My child currently attends a regulated child care program and receives subsidy
- We lack a fixed, adequate residence (motel, living with friend or relative, tent, etc)
- Limited English proficiency (family and/or child speaks limited to no English)
- Educational need (must provide copy current IEP)
- My child is toilet trained
- My child is *not* toilet trained

Has your child ever been dismissed from a childcare program? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____

Additional Information:

- I understand the cost of JCPS Pre-k is \$700 per month unless my child qualifies for the NC Pre-K Program or subsidy
- A parent/guardian of this child is a current employee of Jackson County Public Schools
- I would like to apply for the NC Pre-K Program (see additional application)
- I currently receive subsidy
- I would like to apply for subsidy

Internal Use Only			
Brigance Score		Date Application Received	
Social/Emotional Score		Date Application Processed	
Self-Help Score		Submitted NC Pre-K App	Y / N

NC Pre-K Program

The NC Pre-K Program is designed to provide high-quality educational experiences to enhance school readiness for eligible four-year-old children.

- **Age Requirements** To be enrolled, a child must be four-years-old on or before August 31st of the current program year
- **Income eligible** a) Children who are determined eligible based on their family's income being at or below 75% of the state median income level are given the highest priority and served first b) Up to 20% of children whose families exceed the income requirements can still be served if those children have other identified risk-factors (homelessness, eligible military families, educational need, developmental disabilities, chronic health conditions, limited English proficiency)
- **Other factors to consider** a) Never served - children who have received no prior early education services outside the home b) Underserved - children who were in child care previously but are currently not being served c) Continuity of care - children who are currently enrolled at a NC Pre-K site in a non-NC Pre-K classroom
- ★ Families must provide proof of date of birth (birth certificate or page 1 of immunization record)
- ★ Families must provide proof of income for all income sources (pages 1-2 of 2025 tax records or one month of pay stubs; award letters from Social Security Administration and/or Employment Security Commission; child support; self-employment information)

Determination of child eligibility does not guarantee placement in the NC Pre-K Program.

Placement is dependent on the availability of NC Pre-K funds that are appropriated each year by the NC General Assembly during the legislative session.

NCDHHS-Subsidy

To qualify for the child care subsidy program, a family needs to meet both the situational and financial criteria.

You may be eligible to receive child care assistance if one or more of the following applies to your family

- You are working or are attempting to find work through the Work First Family Assistance Program
- You are in school or in a job training program
- Your child is receiving child protective services
- Your child needs care to support child welfare services or if your family is experiencing a crisis
- Your child has developmental needs

Financial Criteria-Most families, including those receiving Work First Family Assistance , are required to pay a percentage of their child care costs based upon their gross monthly income. The percentage is 10%, if applicable. Income is based on federal poverty levels. To apply, contact: 828-354-0476 (Jackson County), 828-354-0482 (Swain County), 828-497-4317 ext. 6 (Qualla Boundary)