

ELIGIBILITY APPLICATION for Head Start and Pre K Counts

All families of preschool applicants are advised to complete this form, since Head Start- and Pre-K Counts-eligible families receive priority enrollment at Children's Village. Submit this form in addition to the Children's Village Enrollment Application.

Eligibility Points

Child's Name:

() YES

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Does your family live in Philadelphia?

(Funding is through collaboration with the Philadelphia School District, so only Philadelphia residents are eligible for Head Start or Pre K Counts at Children's Village.)

Income and Other Guaranteed Eligibility Categories

Head Start applicants below the federal poverty income guideline, 50 points.
 Pre-K Counts applicants must be under 300% of the federal poverty income guideline.

Proof of Income and Other Guaranteed Eligibility Categories

The application is incomplete without documentation of income and/or proof of other applicable eligibility categories.

Paystubs documenting employment

Employer's letter documenting employment

Tax return, including W-2s and schedules, documenting annual family income

TANF status (categorically eligible for cash recipients)

cash, medical assistance and food stamps

medical assistance and food stamps

medical assistance only

food stamps

Other income source:

Supplemental Security Income and/or Disability (categorically eligible)

Foster Child (categorically eligible)

Homeless (categorically eligible) ['Homeless' refers to residence in a shelter or vehicle, or temporary residence with family or friends not out of lifestyle choice but due to lack of affordable housing.]

Parent signature

Date

Head Start

Family Size

Head Start and Pre-K Counts calculate family size differently. Please list everyone who lives in your household, how they are related to the child for whom you are applying, and whether or not they are financially dependent on you.

Name	Relation to the child	Does your most recent tax return document that this individual is financially dependent on you?

Pre-K Counts

Child's Age

In the academic year before kindergarten, 10 points.

Two years until kindergarten, 5 points.

Head Start and Pre K Counts participants must be three years old by September 1st to be eligible for that academic year.

Child's Date of Birth:

Special Needs

Receives special needs support, 20 points.

Does not receive special needs services, 0 points.

Does your child have an IEP and / or receive early intervention services? Please describe:

Is your child receiving, or has he or she been referred for mental health treatment? Please describe:

Parent(s) in Home

Two parents in home, 5 points.

All other relevant characteristics, 10 points each.

There are two parents in the home.

I am a single parent.

I am caring for this child not as the biological parent, but as a foster parent or other relative.

A parent of this child is currently incarcerated.

The mother of this child was under the age of 18 when the child was born.

One (or both parents) does (do) not have a high school diploma or GED or post-secondary degree.

Home Language

No English spoken at home, 20 points.

English spoken at home, 0 points.

At home, we speak:

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Has other Head Start / Pre K Counts siblings enrolled, 10 points.

Has no other Head Start / Pre K Counts siblings enrolled, 0 points.

Do you have another child enrolled at Children's Village? What is his or her name?

Parent Concerns

Concerns about a child's developmental, physical, intellectual, emotional, language or learning needs, 20 points.

Concerns about any other two areas, 20 points.

Do you suspect that your child has any special needs or may benefit from any special help in one of the following areas?

Could your family benefit from help with any of the following services?

Physical

Health insurance

Intellectual

English classes

Social - Emotional

Parent education

Language

Child health concerns

Learning

Adult health concerns

Other:

Other:

Extended Separation from Family

20 points

Has your child been separated from your immediate family for a while? For example, has your child spent time in China with relatives, apart from you? If so, when, and for how long?

TOTAL HEAD START ELIGIBILITY POINTS

Parent / Guardian Signature:

Date:

Interviewer:

Date:

SS Advisory Reviewer:

Date:

To apply for Head Start and Pre-K Counts funding:



Complete this Eligibility Application for Head Start and Pre-K Counts in full



Complete the Children's Village Enrollment Application in full



Attach current family income documentation

(2016 tax return including W-2 forms and attached schedules, or four current paystubs, or notarized employer's letters, plus documentation of any other type of family income)



Submit entire packet to Beth Baker, Family Services Director, Children's Village

The 2017 Federal Poverty Income Guidelines for the 48 Contiguous States and the District of Columbia.

Persons in Family	100% Income Cut-Off for Head Start	130% Head Start allows up to 35% of families to be between 100 and 130%.	300% Income Cut-off for Pre-K Counts
1	\$12,060	\$15,678	\$36,180
2	\$16,240	\$21,112	\$48,720
3	\$20,420	\$26,546	\$61,260
4	\$24,600	\$31,980	\$73,800
5	\$28,780	\$37,414	\$86,340
6	\$32,960	\$42,848	\$98,880
7	\$37,140	\$48,282	\$111,420
8	\$41,320	\$53,716	\$123,960

For families with more than 8 persons, add \$4,180 for each additional person.

It's important to tell the truth about your family income, your household members, where you live, and the age of your child! There are serious penalties for providing false or incomplete information or fraudulent documentation to apply for or obtain government-funded benefits such as Head Start or Pre-K Counts. Offenders may be denied services, may be reported to local, regional or national authorities, and may face legal action.

