

**1. Fill out, fold and drop the ‘Parent Interest form’ (below) in the mail.**

**2. Go by a Head Start center. *Call first!***  
 (Summer: Outreach Office.)  
**Fill out an application.**

**3. Call and request that someone come by your home.**

**PARENT INTEREST FORM**

*I am interested in more information about Head Start:*

Parent(s)/Guardian’s name(s)

Child’s name

Child’s birth date

Address City Zip

Phone / Contact phone (circle one)

School district (if known)

Directions to home:

Parent, attorney of fact, or guardian’s signature

Date

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**PRIORITY CONSIDERATIONS**

**Income:** Based on the poverty guidelines of the Administration for Children and Families. (We realize that these guidelines are low; however, this is a federal funding requirement.)

**Age:** Must be 3-years-old before August 1 and not be school-age (5-years-old before August 1). *Older children have higher priority.*

***Once income and age guidelines are met, selection is based on those with the highest priorities:***

**Disability:** *Children enrolled in the public school’s early childhood special education program receive higher priority.* Head Start must serve 10% children with disabilities.

**Exception:** Over-income children who are enrolled in the public school’s early childhood special education program will be considered if Head Start would be the best placement.

**Parents working, in school or on disability:** *Both parents are working, in school or on disability or a combination of these, or a single parent who meets one of these criteria receive higher priority.*

**The following special family circumstances also are given higher priority:** homelessness, living in a shelter, abuse or neglect, incarceration of a parent; recent death or terminal illness of immediate family member, disability or mental illness of immediate family member; suspected disability of the applicant child; and/or children living in a home other than the child’s parents (e.g. relative or foster care) who has legal custody of the child.

**Note:** *Parents can explain the above special circumstances. A professional such as a doctor or Parents As Teachers needs to write a referral letter explaining other special circumstances or problems of the child or family.*

**WHERE TO APPLY**  
 (Summer: Outreach Office.)

Outreach Office	Head Start
<u>Bollinger</u> 238-4220 205 Plutarch, MH	Bollinger County.....238-3652 #160 Hwy 34 E Marble Hill, MO 63764
<u>Cape Girardeau</u> 1111 Linden Cape Girardeau	Cape Girardeau.....334-5533 1111 Linden Cape Girardeau, MO 63702
<u>Iron</u> .....546-3191 321 S Knob St, Ironton	Iron County.....546-2185 321 S Knob St, Ironton, 63650
<u>Madison</u> 783-5226 209 W Main St. Fredericktown	Madison County.....783-7112 600 S. Chamber Dr. Fredericktown, MO 63645
<u>Perry</u> .....547-2014 1321 W. Ste. Maries, Suite C Perryville	Perry County.....547-8496 1416 N Kingshighway Perryville, MO 63775
<u>St. Francois</u> 10 S Coffman Park Hills, MO 431-0103	Bonne Terre.....358-5422 #2 Savannah, BT 63628  Mid St. Francois Co..431-2658 204 Tenth St. Park Hills 63601  Farmington.....747-0373 135 Vierser Dr., Fgtn, 63640
<u>Ste. Genevieve</u> 883-7252 360 Market St. Ste. Genevieve	Ste. Genevieve.....883-3434 95 Ste. Genevieve Dr. Ste. Genevieve, MO 63670
<u>Washington</u> 305 N. Missouri St Potosi, MO 63660 438-3528	Washington County..438-1515 438-6724.....438-2166 512 State St, Mineral Point, 63660

For more copies of this brochure call:  
 1-800-392-8663 x1112, Park Hills EMAA  
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## Parents need to have the \*following:

1. Child's birth certificate or hospital record
2. Proof of income:
  - ◆ Last year's income tax return
  - ◆ Child support printout
  - ◆ Current SSI printout from Social Security office on family member(s)
  - ◆ Social Security Survivors' Benefits/ Disability 1099 form or printout from Social Security office for all members of the family (if no income tax return)
  - ◆ Current TANF printout from Family Support Division
  - ◆ If you do not have the above, a letter from all employers within the past twelve months, stating gross wages and beginning and ending dates of employment.
3. Parent, attorney of fact, guardian's signature and social security number

*Before your child can be enrolled we will need your child's:*

1. Immunization records: these need to be up-to-date before your child is enrolled
2. Custody papers, if applicable



\*If you do not have all of these, your contact person will help you.

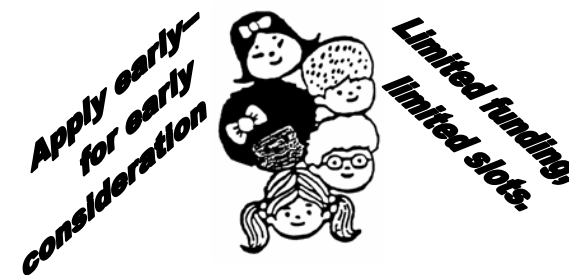
EMAA Head Start  
403 Parkway Drive, P.O. Box 308  
Park Hills, MO 63601

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## Now taking applications at East Missouri Action Agency, Inc. **HEAD START**

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Give your 3- to 5-year-old child  
at least 6 hours\* of quality preschool  
—*MORE* hours available for parents  
who are working or going to school.



*Head Start is a family-based,  
social-emotional, literacy program.*

### Head Start

- Gives children a sound early childhood education with an emphasis on literacy.
- Serves a nutritious breakfast, lunch and snack.
- Provides health screenings and follow-up referrals.
- Empowers parents to connect with agencies to see that their family's needs are met.
- Supports parents who want to be involved in their children's lives.
- Carpooling information may be available at local sites.

\*Cape Girardeau also offer 3.5 hour program.