



Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in Whitmore Lake's Head Start and Great Start Readiness Programs (GSRP). Here at the Early Childhood Center, we believe in strengthening our families and our community through quality preschool education and comprehensive family services. Our goal is to create a love for learning and promote family well-being that will last a lifetime. Before you apply, here is some information on these programs and how the application process works.

Head Start is a federally funded preschool program for low-income families, foster children, and children with special needs. GSRP is a state funded program for low to moderate income families with educational risk factors. Your child must qualify for these programs, and filling out an application does not guarantee placement into a class.

Applying for these programs is a two-step process. First, you must complete the online interest survey at [washtenawpreschool.org](http://washtenawpreschool.org). After your survey has been forwarded to our office, you will be contacted to schedule an in-person interview to determine eligibility. If your child is found to be eligible for either program, the selection process will be explained to you at that time. Please note that for both programs, children with higher need will be selected first.

If you have any questions about either program or how the application process works, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

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