

Head Start/Early Head Start/ CDC

Head Start Classrooms located in Akron, Cherokee, LeMars, Orange City, Rock Rapids, Rock Valley, Sioux Center & Hawarden

Head Start Home-based offered in Ida County

Early Head Start Services in Cherokee, Plymouth & Sioux Counties

Eligibility

Residence:

Head Start: Families living in Cherokee, Ida, Lyon, Plymouth, and Sioux Counties

Child Development Center: Families living in Sioux County (Hawarden area)

Early Head Start: Families living in Cherokee, Ida, Lyon, Plymouth and Sioux Counties

Income: Early Head Start, Head Start and Child Development Center guidelines– 130% below poverty, with priority given to those under 100% poverty.

2016 INCOME GUIDELINES

Number in Family	Priority				EHS/HS/CDC		
Unit	25%	50%	75%	100%	130%	150%	185%
1	\$2,970.00	\$5,940.00	\$8,910.00	\$11,880.00	\$15,444.00	\$17,820.00	\$21,978.00
2	\$4,005.00	\$8,010.00	\$12,015.00	\$16,020.00	\$20,826.00	\$24,030.00	\$29,637.00
3	\$5,040.00	\$10,080.00	\$15,120.00	\$20,160.00	\$26,208.00	\$30,240.00	\$37,296.00
4	\$6,075.00	\$12,150.00	\$18,225.00	\$24,300.00	\$31,590.00	\$36,450.00	\$44,955.00
5	\$7,110.00	\$14,220.00	\$21,330.00	\$28,440.00	\$36,972.00	\$42,660.00	\$52,614.00
6	\$8,145.00	\$16,290.00	\$24,435.00	\$32,580.00	\$42,354.00	\$48,870.00	\$60,273.00
7	\$9,182.50	\$18,365.00	\$27,547.50	\$36,730.00	\$47,749.00	\$55,095.00	\$67,950.50
8	\$10,222.50	\$20,445.00	\$30,667.50	\$40,890.00	\$53,157.00	\$61,335.00	\$75,646.50

For each additional person, add:							
	\$1,040.00	\$2,080.00	\$3,120.00	\$4,160.00	\$5,408.00	\$6,240.00	\$7,696.00

Children are eligible to participate in HS/EHS/CDC if they are from low-income families. Families who are over-income may participate if there are disability and high family service needs.

Age:

Early Head Start serves pregnant women and children up to the age of 3. Children who turn 3 after September 15 will be age eligible for our Early Head Start program.

Head Start/CDC serves children ages 3 and 4. Children who are age 3 by September 15, will be age eligible for Head Start/CDC. Children who turn 5 years of age by September 15 are not eligible for Head Start services.

Where to apply:

Applications can be done at your local Outreach Offices. Please contact:

Cherokee County Outreach 921 South 2 nd St. Cherokee, IA 51012	Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00am-4:30pm
Ida County Outreach 401 Moorhead Ida Grove, IA 51445	Office Hours: Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm
Lyon County Outreach 302 S. Lincoln Rock Rapids, IA 51246	Office Hours: Wednesday 9:00am-4:00pm
Plymouth County Outreach 180 10 th St. SE LeMars, IA 51031	Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm
Sioux County Outreach 618 14 th St. NE Suite 10 Sioux Center, IA 51250 712-722-3611	Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00am-4:30pm

In February, applications will also be taken at Parent Meetings at most centers.

Staff are also available year round at WIC Clinics or Call 1-800-859-2025 and they will assist you in getting an application completed or if you have any questions.

What is needed when doing an application:

- Proof of age (birth certificate, newspaper clipping, etc.)
- Proof of ALL household income for the last 12 months or the previous year (income tax return, year of paystubs, W-2's, proof of FIP or SSI, etc.)

NO APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR ENROLLMENT WITHOUT PROOF OF INCOME

Selection of Children

Once age and income requirement are met a criteria selection will be given to each applying child. Children will be ranked according to age, income and needs. Those with the highest points will be considered first for enrollment.

You will be notified by mail once your application has been processed.