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PEEP

Program for Educating Exceptional Preschoolers

Newport News Public Schools has for many years offered a comprehensive program for young children ages 2-5 who qualify for special education services under IDEA. This program is housed on early childhood centers and some elementary school campuses and offers 1/2 day and full day classes for students with a variety of disabilities.

Certified special education teachers who specialize in Early Childhood education/development teach small classes of students with disabilities in developmentally appropriate settings, utilizing best practices from current research to individualize the curriculum for each student. Several self-contained classrooms provide opportunities for students with disabilities to spend quality time with their non-disabled peers in other preschool programs located on the same campus. Additionally, some preschool-aged students with disabilities receive services within existing community-based preschool programs that are not housed in public school facilities. Early childhood special education services are determined by each student's Individualized Education Program (IEP) and vary based on the student's age, eligibility, and individual needs.

What do I do if I suspect or know of a child that may have a disability or is disabled?

Child Find is a policy to ensure that all children and youth, ages 2-5, inclusive, residing in Newport News Public Schools district, who are suspected of or identified as having a disability and in need of special education and related services, are identified, located, evaluated, and placed in a free and appropriate educational program.

If you feel your preschool child needs to be tested to determine eligibility for special education services, please call the PEEP office at (757) 591-4963.

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For more information, visit
www.nnschools.org/sped/peep.html
or scan the QR code.
Questions? Call 757-591-4963

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Head Start is an additional option for your preschooler.

About Head Start

- Head Start is operated by Hampton Roads Community Action Program, Inc.
- Research-based curricula to promote school readiness
- Provides services for children with disabilities
- Comprehensive services include medical, dental, and nutritional services, parent support for education, employment, etc.
- Transportation MAY be provided

Eligibility Requirements for Head Start

- Live in Newport News
- Child must be at least 3 years old by September 30, 2026
- Provide proof of income, age and residency

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