

# Stafford Early Head Start Home-based Programs



EASTCONN administers the Early Head Start program in Stafford in collaboration with Stafford Public Schools. Early Head Start serves children, birth to age three, pregnant women and their families. Services may include:

- Weekly scheduled home visits that focus on your child's educational development and support positive parent/child relationships
- Opportunities for play group sessions with other enrolled families that support your child's play in a group setting
- Professional guidance on parenting strategies
- Support with accessing medical and dental care
- A newborn well-child visit by a health professional

"Two of our children have been in Early Head Start. It is an excellent program for young children to learn. The staff are excellent, well educated and if there are any services you need, they will find them for you!"

- Tonya and Mark Chidester, Parents

## What are the benefits?

### FOR CHILDREN

- A safe and healthy learning environment
- School-readiness skills
- Health and behavioral screenings
- Positive relationships with other children
- Supportive, caring teachers and staff

### FOR FAMILIES

- Involvement in your child's education
- Free family workshops
- Access to community services
- Help with parenting challenges
- Opportunities to meet other families in your community
- Leadership opportunities

## Is my child eligible to participate?

You or your child are automatically eligible if:

- Your family receives Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Your child is in foster care
- Your family is homeless by the federal definition

Please call your local program today to see if your family is eligible!

Expectant mothers and parents who have children with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

## Locations

**NORTHEAST CONNECTICUT**  
To apply, call **860-455-1586**

Killingly Head Start  
562 Westcott Rd., Danielson, CT

Killingly High School  
226 Putnam Pike, Dayville, CT

Plainfield Early  
Childhood Center  
651 Norwich Rd., Plainfield, CT

Putnam Elementary School  
33 Wicker St., Putnam, CT

Home-based Early Head Start  
(Serves all of Northeast CT)  
10B Gorman St., Moosup, CT

**STAFFORD**  
To apply, call **860-684-3181**

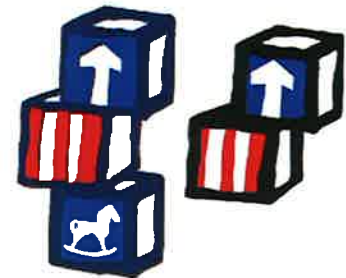
Home-based Early Head Start  
153 West Stafford Rd.  
Stafford Springs, CT

**WINDHAM**  
To apply, call **860-465-2627**

Windham Child  
Development Center  
322 Prospect St., Willimantic, CT

Windham Early  
Childhood Center  
355 High St., Willimantic, CT

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### Early Head Start

promotes the school-readiness of young children from families with low income. Our programs support the mental, social and emotional development of children, prenatally to age 3. Family participation is an important part of Early Head Start!



**Call Now to Apply**  
**Stafford: 860-684-3181**

**Referrals from Community Programs are Welcome**



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# STAFFORD EARLY HEAD START



Serving children and families in Stafford and surrounding towns.



### Early Head Start

programs provide quality early education and support to families with children, ages prenatal to 3.

**Applications Accepted Year Round**