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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Harnett County NC Pre-Kindergarten (NC Pre-K) Program. The NC Pre-K Program is a free preschool program designed to help prepare four-year-old children for kindergarten through a creative curriculum-based learning environment.

Please complete the attached application in its entirety. Please provide the following required supporting documents at the time of your application submission:

- Birth Certificate** - Child must be four years of age on or before August 31st of the program year. Children age-eligible for kindergarten cannot be served with NC Pre-K funds.
- Proof of Regular Gross Income** - Photocopies of **two** recent pay stubs for each working parent. If both parents/guardians are unemployed, at least one parent must come prepared to sign a statement and explain why there is not any verifiable income. Please provide photocopied proof of services received (i.e. SSI, Medicaid, Food Stamps, or Housing).
- Proof of Active Duty Military Status [military only]** - photocopy of one current LES
- Proof of Residence** - copy of lease/rental agreement or utility/water bill in applicant's name

The following required documents must be presented to your child's teacher at your Pre-K orientation or on your child's first date of attendance. Failure to do so will result in your child's immediate disenrollment from the NC Pre-K program.

- Updated Vaccination Record**
- Health Assessment** - including hearing, vision, & dental screenings
(must be on the **Children's Medical Report** form, completed within the last **12 months**, signed and dated by your child's physician)

Completed applications may be mailed or hand delivered to our office. No faxed copies will be accepted. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Complete applications will be processed by our office to determine eligibility. **The NC Pre-K Program is not a first come, first serve program; placement is based on priority. Priority is based on a family's income and size.**

The first round of placements will be established by mid-July and applicants will be notified by letter regarding your status by July 20, 2020. All applications received after July 1, 2020 will be considered in the second round of placements. We thank you in advance for your patience. Our program year will begin in late August and follows the Harnett County School calendar. While we try to place children in sites according to parent requests, we cannot guarantee your child will be assigned to your site of choice.

We sincerely hope that we can serve your child and help prepare him/her for their transition into kindergarten. If you have any questions, or if we can assist you with the application process, please feel free to contact us at (910) 893-2344. We look forward to working with you!

The NC Pre-K Staff
Harnett County Partnership for Children

The mission of the Harnett County Partnership for Children is to improve the quality of life for young children and families in Harnett County through community-based programs focusing on health, education, and family support.