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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Harnett County NC Pre-Kindergarten (NC Pre-K) Program. NC Pre-K 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** – Copies of recent pay stubs for **one month** for each working parent. If unemployed, please provide copies of proof of services received (i.e. SSI, Food Stamps, Unemployment, Medicaid, or Housing).
- Proof of Active Duty Military Status [military only]** – Copy of one current LES
- Proof of Residence** - Copy of rental agreement or utility/water bill in applicant's name

Please submit the following required documents to your child's Pre-K teacher at orientation or on your child's first date of attendance. Failure to do so will result in your child's disenrollment from NC Pre-K.

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

Completed applications can be submitted to our office by:

- Online submission** at www.harnettsmartstart.org
- US Mail** to 170 Pine State Street Lillington, NC 27546
- Hand deliver** in person to 107 W Front St Lillington **or** 170 Pine State Street Lillington

*** Incomplete applications will not be processed.***

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. Complete applications will be processed by our office to determine eligibility. **The first round of placements will take place in July and applicants will be notified by letter regarding status by July 15, 2023.** All applications received after June 30, 2023 will be considered in the second round of placements. Our program year begins in late August and follows the Harnett County Schools Calendar. We do take into consideration your site preference; however, we cannot guarantee your child will be assigned to your first 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.