

Early Childhood Programs for Children Ages Three through Five

**A Directory of Services and Resources Available in Cuyahoga County
2014 – 2015**



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<p>Achievement Centers for Children (ACC)</p> <p>Laurie Albright Achievement Centers for Children (216) 292-9700</p> <p>Scott Gossett Achievement Centers for Children (216) 292-9700</p>	<p>Special Education Preschool for children with Autism</p> <p>A collaboration of ACC and the Educational Service Center of Cuyahoga County</p>	<p>Ages 3 – 5</p>	<p>7 children in Highland Hills</p>	<p>TPDR</p>	<p>This program offers a specially designed full day preschool (Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.) for children 3 – 5 years of age with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder. A summer program completes the 12-month focus of continual services. The preschool program model is available at Highland Hills location.</p> <p>The preschool program model is designed to meet the individual needs of children with communication, sensory and social needs compromised by Autism Spectrum Disorder using a comprehensive developmental approach. Each preschool program is limited to 7 children based on their intensive developmental needs. A special education/early education teacher and two educational aides comprise the foundation needed to provide the low staff to child ratio in the class. Based upon each child’s personal diagnosis and assessment, the goals and objectives in each child’s Individual Education Plan (IEP) will be addressed through an integrated approach encompassing techniques for the most appropriate treatment method for each individual child. Strategies such as structured teaching, sensory integration, picture exchange communication system, behavioral analysis and modification, social-interaction are implemented based on assessment of each child’s strengths and weakness and learning modalities. The program also has ECE expansion grantee funded slots.</p>

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Bay Village City Schools Marty Patton (440) 617-7324 and Melissa Grimes (440) 617-7327	Special Education Early Development Program (SEED)	Ages 3 – 5	32 Center-Based 20 Itinerant 20 Typical Peers	RO	Emphasis is placed on the development of communication and socialization skills. Classes meet 4 mornings or 4 afternoons per week. Speech therapy, OT/PT, parent support, and education are available. (Peer model program is available but subject to screening and fees.) The program is housed in Glenview, the public school preschool and day care center.
Beachwood City Schools Christin Weyn (216) 831-3933 ext. 255 mcw@beachwoodschoools.org	Integrated Preschool Program	Ages 3 – 5	24 Special Needs	TPDR	The Integrated Preschool Program classes serve children with a variety of disabilities, including children with hearing impairments. Speech and language, OT/PT and school psychology services are available. Peer models are welcome, but require a screening.

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<p>Bedford City Schools Iwanda Huggins, Special Education Supervisor (440) 786-3517 ihuggins@bedford.k12.oh.us</p> <p>Katy Burant School Psychologist 440-439-4227 ext. 3735 Kburant@bedford.k12.oh.us</p>	<p>Bedford City School District Preschool Program An early intervention program for children with delays</p>	<p>Ages 3 – 5</p>	<p>48/special needs 24/typical peers</p>	<p>RO</p>	<p>Located at Glendale Primary School in Bedford, the program features a center-based model which is offered in half day sessions at a primary school and itinerant services which are available in the home environment or community settings. Activities focus on cognitive development, expressive and receptive communication skills, fine and gross motor development, social emotional growth, interactive play skills, and self-help development. The center-based program includes typical peers who live within the four communities in the district. There is a \$20 a week fee and parents must provide the transportation for Peer Models.</p>

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<p>Berea City Schools</p> <p>Sue Bell Dept. Chairperson Preschool & Preschool Special Education Berea Board of Education (216) 898-8840 ext. 7690 sbell@berea.k12.oh.us</p> <p>Gina Andrasi Psychologist-Preschool Brook Park Memorial 216-898-8840, ext. 7675 gandrasi@berea.k12.oh.us</p>	<p>Berea City Schools Preschool Program</p>	<p>Ages 3 – 5</p>	<p>4 center-based classrooms (up to 8 identified/4 peers per class)</p> <p>4 Co-Teach Classrooms (up to 8 identified/15 peers per class)</p> <p>2 - 8/8 Classrooms 8 identified/ 8peers</p>	<p>RO: for children on IEPs</p> <p>Peer’s tuition: call for info</p>	<p>The Berea City School District offers three types of services for preschoolers with special needs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Center-based classrooms (led by preschool special education teacher,) which include the enrollment of up to 4 typical peers. Instruction focuses on Early Learning Content Standards, with individualized and small-group support in areas of identified developmental needs. • “Co-Teach” classrooms (led by preschool special education and Early Childhood Education teacher,) with majority of students having no identified needs. Instruction focuses on Early Learning Content Standards, with specialized instructional and related services support. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Children attend center-based and co-teach classes in either morning or afternoon, Monday through Thursday, 3 hours per day. • Itinerant (i.e., traveling) services are also available and provided by a preschool special education teacher and/or related services personnel. Services may be delivered to a child in the home environment or community setting per IEP.

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<p>Brecksville/Broadview Heights City Schools</p> <p>Hilton Elementary School 6812 Mill Road Brecksville, OH 44141</p> <p>David Martin Preschool Principal (440) 740-4610</p> <p>Tara Dayton School Psychologist (440) 740-4626</p>	Stepping Stone Integrated Preschool	Ages 3 – 5	56	RO	This program is center-based. We have six half day sessions (three AM and three PM) and one full day session. Fridays are reserved for assessments, conferences, home visits and field trips. Itinerant services are also available which can be delivered in the home environment or community setting per IEP.
<p>Brooklyn City Schools</p> <p>Becky Furbay Director of Pupil Services (216) 485-8136</p>	Center-Based Preschool Program	Ages 3 – 5	32	RO	Center-based preschool program housed at Brooklyn Middle School. Children 3 – 5 years of age and their parents receive services, which are available in a preschool. The center activities focus on cognitive development, expressive and receptive communication skills, fine and gross motor development, social–emotional growth, interactive play skills, and self-help development. Related services are provided as needed.

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Chagrin Falls Exempted Village Schools Lisa Shannon Assistant Superintendent (440) 247-5500 ext. 4014	Center-Based Preschool	Ages 3 – 5		RO	Center-based preschool program housed at Gurney Elementary School. Children ages 3 to 5 identified as having a disability participate with typically developing peers in a preschool program emphasizing developmentally appropriate activities to address cognitive development, communication skills, motor development, socio-emotional development, and school readiness. Related services are available as needed.
Chagrin Falls Exempted Village Schools Lisa Shannon Assistant Superintendent (440) 247-5500 ext. 4014	Speech/Language Itinerant Services Occupational and Physical Therapy Itinerant Services	Ages 3 – 5		RO	An itinerant program for preschool children with communication and/or motor disabilities. Services are provided on a regular basis at children’s homes or preschools.

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Cleveland Metropolitan Schools Marianne Wolf, Preschool Assessment Clinic Manager (216) 838-1966	Special Education Preschool Program	Ages 3 – 5	792	TPDR	<p>The program is non-categorical although there are some specialized classes which serve children with similar needs to allow for the most effective delivery of services. Most children are served in center-based classes located in public schools. These programs offer a ½ day preschool serving 3, 4 and 5 year olds. A minimum of 6 to a maximum of 8 children, staffed by a certified special education teacher and at least one instructional assistant. Some classrooms with a maximum of 6 children on IEPS and 6 typical peers are located across the district. Instructional activities and specific services are provided in accordance with a developed Individualized Education Program (IEP) for each child. Related services, including speech and language therapy, occupational and physical therapy are available. Curb to curb transportation is provided. Itinerant teaching and parent liaison services are available.</p>

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Cleveland Heights / University Heights City School Judy Dell' Aquila (216) 371-7435 or Katrina Hicks (216) 371-6515	Early Childhood	Ages 3 – 5	56 students with disabilities 60 typically developing students	Tuition or grant funding / sliding scale	Three classrooms, which are co-taught by an early childhood teacher and an early childhood special education teacher, are composed of up to 10 typically developing children and up to 8 children with disabilities. Classrooms are blended special education and public preschool programs. A fourth classroom is structured to serve preschool children with Autism who present more significant challenges such as lack of attending behaviors and limited engagement with the learning environment. This classroom is made up of up to 8 students with disabilities and is taught by an early childhood special education teacher. Educational assistants provide support in the classrooms. Classrooms are located at the Gearity Early Childhood Center and Noble Elementary School.
Cleveland Heights / University Heights City Schools Sally Hanrahan (216) 371-6515	Preschool Itinerant Teacher	Ages 3 – 5	10 – 20	RO	The preschool itinerant teacher provides services to children in the home, preschool, child care or kindergarten program as defined in the Operating Standards for Ohio's Schools Serving Children with Disabilities and as outlined in the IEP.
Cuyahoga Hts Local Schools Joy Houchen, Principal (216) 429-5880 Juleta Newkirk, School Psychologist (216) 429-5870 Wendy Jovan, Director of Special Ed 216-429-5746	Early Childhood	Ages 3 -- 5		RO	Regular education preschool, which meets ½ day, 5 days/week. Speech/language, psychological, and health services are available. Children with suspected special needs may be served.

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East Cleveland City Schools Susan Pennza (216) 268-6688 Laurie Albright (216) 268-6630	Preschool Special Education Program	Ages 3 – 5	16 – 2 units (8 maximum per session)	None	A full day program, which serves children who demonstrate severe language, adaptive behavior and social skills deficits, which would interfere with the mastery of readiness skills. Speech therapy, occupational, physical therapy, and psychological services are available. Parent education is provided.
Euclid City Schools Rasheeda N. Hoston, Principal (216) 732-2700 rhoston@euclidschools.org	Euclid City Schools Early Learning Center (ELC)	Ages 3 – 5	No capacity for students with special needs. 13 Hours per wk. ½ Day Program Mon.-Thurs.	No fees for students with special needs	Students must be a resident of Euclid City to enroll. The ELC is a 5 Star SUTQ program, and evidence-based instructional strategies are implemented utilizing intentional teaching strategies that are aligned with the Early Learning & Development Standards. Services include Speech & Language, Occupational & Physical Therapy for those who qualify.
Fairview Park City Schools Megan Wellman (440) 331-5500, ext. 2108 mwellman@fairview.k12.oh.us or Connie Obrycki (440) 331-5500, ext. 1115	The Developmental Assistance Program (DAP)	Ages 3 – 5	32	TPDR RO Peer tuition – \$30/mo	The Developmental Assistance Program provides a half day classroom for identified children. The focus of the program is development of language, social, self-help, motor and cognitive skills. The center-based preschool is located in an early childhood/public preschool building, which allows for full involvement of typically developing peers. Classroom-based, itinerant, and consultative services for speech/language, occupational and physical therapy are available as needed.

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Garfield Hts. City Schools Jennifer Matas 216-475-8123, ext. 56110	Special Education Preschool	Ages 3 – 5	32	RO	Center-based program includes typically developing children. Program focus is on development of expressive and receptive communication skills, self-help skills, fine and gross motor skills. Interactive play skills and social skills are promoted through interaction with typically developing peers. 2 ½ hours, AM and PM, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.
Independence School District Ruth McLaughlin School Psychologist 216-642-5865, ext. 1328 Sandy McCullough 216-642-5877 Tara Guskiewicz, Lead Teacher, (216) 642-5850, ext. 1412	Special Education Preschool	Ages 3 – 5	16	TPDR	Center-based preschool AM and PM sessions, Monday through Thursday. Typically developing peers.

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Lakewood City Schools Gordana Dimacchia (216) 529-4149	Special Education Preschool				<p>A/C. These special education preschool classes serve children with identified documented deficits in one or more of the following areas: communication, motor skills, behavioral, social-emotional, cognitive delays and/or adaptive behavior. Parents are important members of the IEP team and receive regular communication about their child’s progress. Preschool classes meet in the morning or in the afternoon for 2 hour, 30 minute sessions, Monday through Thursday. For eligible students, program access is through our Play Based Assessment which occurs on alternating Fridays. Our program offers a continuum of service including center-based programming for no more than eight students with significant needs across several domains and an early childhood preschool program, an integrated preschool serving children with and without disabilities.</p> <p>B. This program addresses the eligibility areas as above but provides service differently. Our itinerant teacher delivers services to the preschool student in his/her naturalistic environment (home, day care center, preschool) for one hour/week, 4 hours/month.</p>
	A. Center-based 2 hour-30 min/day AM or PM Mon – Thurs	Ages 3 – 5	24	RO	
	B. Itinerant 1 hr/wk	Ages 3 – 5	40	RO	
C. Lakewood Early Childhood Program (ECE) 2hr/30 min day AM or PM Mon - Thurs	Ages 3 – 5	56	RO		

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<p>Maple Heights City Schools</p> <p>Judith Buxton (216) 438-6010. Ext. 6602</p>	<p>Special Education Preschool</p> <p>2 AM classes of 12 each</p> <p>2 PM classes of 12 each</p>	<p>Ages 3 – 5</p>	<p>32/children with IEPs 16/typical peers</p>	<p>\$25 for Typical Peers</p>	<p>Center-based program includes typically developing children. Program focus is on development of expressive and receptive communication skills; self-help skills; fine and gross motor skills. Interactive play skills and social skills are promoted through interaction with typically developing peers. 2 ½ hours AM and PM, Monday through Thursday.</p>
<p>Mayfield City Schools Millridge Center for Hearing Impaired Children.</p> <p>Elizabeth Scully (440) 995-7300</p>	<p>Special Education Preschool with a specialty in children with a hearing loss</p>	<p>Ages 3 - 5</p>	<p>40</p>	<p>TPDR</p>	<p>A child centered developmentally appropriate program providing speech, language, and auditory experiences for children throughout their school day. Other activities, consistent with regular programs for preschoolers and children with individual special needs, shape the program. Children with a hearing loss are served in cooperation with their district of residence. Typically developing peers are enrolled in each preschool class. Half day and full day services are provided based upon individual identified needs.</p>
<p>North Olmsted City Schools</p> <p>Lisa Ryan Curtin Director of Pupil Services (440) 779-3563</p> <p>Frank Samerigo Pupil Services Coordinator 440-779-3595 Frank.samerigo@nocseagles.org</p> <p>Jill Zawada Preschool School Psychologist (440) 779-3564</p>	<p>Pine Preschool</p>	<p>Ages 3 – 5</p>	<p>46</p>	<p>RO</p>	<p>The program serves children age three to five who demonstrate development delays or disabilities in language development, motor skills, cognitive areas, socialization, behavioral/emotional growth, and/or adaptive behavior. Eligible children are integrated into a classroom comprised of typical peers and other children with special needs. Half day classes, full-day classes or itinerant teacher services are provided upon identified needs.</p>



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North Royalton City Schools Laura Becker Preschool Psychologist (440) 582-9140, ext. 3807	North Royalton Preschool Special Education Program	Ages 3 – 5	76 IEP students/ 48 peers	RO-IEP \$250 quarterly tuition/peers	Serves children who are identified as preschoolers with disabilities, as well as typical peers in an integrated center-based classroom setting. Itinerant service is also available. Related services are provided based on the child's needs.
Olmsted Falls City Schools Melinda Brunner (440) 427-6361	Olmsted Falls Early Childhood Center	Ages 3 – 5	48 students with special needs, 20 typically developing peer models (chosen in January for the following school year)		The 10 hour a week Center based Preschool Program classes (2 AM classes and 3 PM classes) serve children with a variety of needs and disabilities. Speech and language, and OT/PT are integrated. Peer models are part of the program as well, but require a screening. We also have a 20 hour a week low incidence program for children with autism. We provide Itinerant Services for children who are involved in community-based preschool or childcare programs.
Orange City Schools Lori Wotowiec (216) 831-8600, ext. 5630 lwotowiec@orangesd.org	Orange Inclusive Preschool	Ages 3 – 5	72	TPDR Special Ed Typical: \$100 placement (RO) \$100 a month tuition	A comprehensive, individualized, center-based, preschool special education program with a focus on the development of motor skills, adaptive functioning/self-help skills and cognitive skills. Opportunities for developing interactive play skills with typically developing peers are provided in integrated classes, during the half day sessions (2 ½ hour sessions). Related services and parent education (including home visits) are offered. Itinerant services are also available.

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Parma City Schools Dana Massimino (440) 885-8665	First Step Preschool 10 Center-Based 2 Co-teaching classrooms 3 Itinerant	Ages 3 – 5	216 Special Ed. 96 Typical Students	RO \$45 supply fee – Add'l charge for typical peers	Serves children who are identified as preschoolers with a disability as well as typically developing peers in an integrated preschool setting. Itinerant as well as center-based services are available. Related services as well as parent education are offered.
Richmond Heights Local Schools Odessa Johnson (216) 692-0086, ext. 571227	Special Education Preschool Program	Ages 3 – 5	16	TPDR	The program features a center-based model, which is offered in half day sessions, Tuesday through Friday. Activities focus on cognitive development, expressive and receptive communication skills, fine and gross motor development, social-emotional growth, interactive play skills, and self-help development. This integrated program also serves typically developing preschoolers.
Rocky River City Schools Jennifer Norman (440) 333-6000	Special Education Preschool Program	Ages 3 - 5	N/A	Charge for typical peers	Center-based model, 4 days/week, 2 ½ hours/day. Itinerant Services as well as needed.
Shaker Heights City Schools Tim Gesing (216) 295-1400	Special Education Preschool Program	Ages 3 – 5	3 Classes Capacity varies depending on full or ½ days	None	Early Intervention

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Solon City Schools Dale Jakab (440) 248-1600 Beth Poe (440) 349-7341	Solon Preschool Special Class (Center-Based)	Ages 3 – 5	110 (including IEP center- based, IEP itinerant, peers	RO Peer tuition \$1200.00	Program serves children ages 3 – 5 that meet eligibility requirements under Preschool Rules. A transdisciplinary team approach is used to serve children and their parents in both the school and home environment. Three AM and three PM sessions. Two full day program for preschoolers with Autism; other disabilities as appropriate. These programs also serve typically developing peers with a tuition cost. Itinerant services are available, ½ day.
South Euclid/Lyndhurst City Schools Jennifer Moles Director of Special Education (216) 691-2020	South Euclid / Lyndhurst City Schools Integrated Preschools	Ages 3 – 5	66	RO	The Integrated Preschool is a program for children who have one or more developmental delays with a significant deficit in vision, hearing, communication, motor skills, cognitive development, or social / emotional / behavioral skills. Children who are developing typically for their age are also in this preschool.

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<p>Westlake City Schools</p> <p>Stephanie Morgan Director of Pupil Services (440) 250-1266</p> <p>Lynda Appel Pupil Services Administrative Assistant (440) 835-6309</p>	<p>Westlake Early Childhood Program</p>	<p>Ages 3 – 5</p>	<p>Maximum of 74</p> <p>46 Special needs</p> <p>28 Peer role models</p>	<p>RO TPDR</p> <p>Tuition paid by parent</p>	<p>Center-based program consists of 4 classrooms, which run four days a week, Monday through Thursday (AM and PM sessions) for 2 ½ hours per session. Full day program available. The curriculum is based on Ohio’s Early Learning Content Standards developmentally-based, structured interventions. High/Scope & STAR curriculum utilized. Typically developing peers are integrated into the program to provide opportunities for interactive play and social skill development.</p>

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**(Including Self/Tuition Funded, Early Childhood
Education Grantees and Expansion Grantees)**



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Bay Village City Schools Dorothy Chadwick (440) 617-7330	Glenview	Infants to age 5	72	The center offers 6:30 am – 6:30 pm childcare for infants pre-k. Tuition is paid monthly and varies from \$756 for infants to \$615 for pre-k children	Emphasis is placed on the development of communication and socialization skills. Classes meet 4 mornings or 4 afternoons per week. Speech therapy, OT/PT, parent support, and education are available. (Peer model program is available but subject to screening and fees.) The program is housed in Glenview, the public school preschool and day care center.
Beachwood School – Community Program Cathy Cheistwer (216) 292-2344 cjc@beachwoodschoools.org	Preschool half day Extended day care	Ages 3 – 5	58	Half day (9:00 AM – 11:30 PM) (12:30 – 3:00 PM) (nonresidents) Extended day at additional cost (7:30 am – 5:45 pm)	This preschool program provides a unit-based curriculum in addition to academic learning centers. Emphasis is placed on social/emotional growth and parent involvement. Classes meet 3 ½ hours, 4 days a week. Before and after-school care also provided for an additional fee.

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Public School Early Childhood Education Preschool Programs 2014-2015

District Contact Person	Program Title	Age Served	Capacity	Fees	Program Focus
Berea City Schools Sue Bell Department Chairperson Preschool & Special Education Preschool (216) 898-8840, ext. 7690	Berea City Schools Preschool Program	Age 3 - 5	Co-teach: 2 classes of up to 15 typically developing students (and 7 peers with IEPs) 2 – 8/8 Classrooms 8 peers/ 8 Spec. Ed.	Call for information	The Berea City School District offers two classroom settings for community children: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Co-teach” classrooms (led by preschool special education and Early Childhood Education teacher), with majority of students having no identified needs. Instruction focuses on Early Learning Content Standards, with specialized instructional and related services support. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Classes are 3 hours (morning or afternoon), Monday through Thursday. • Tuition based preschool program concentrates on Early Learning Content Standards, emphasizing language development activities and communication skills. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Classes are 3 hours (morning or afternoon) and 2, 3 or 4 day options are available. The 5 day class meets 2.5 hours per day. • The entitlement grant provides children who are income-eligible the same early high quality childhood program as our other programs. They are blended with children who pay tuition. Classes are 2.5 hours, 5 days per week with morning and afternoon options.

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District Contact Person	Program Title	Age Served	Capacity	Fees	Program Focus
Brooklyn City Schools Becky Furbay Director of Pupil Services (216) 485-8136	KATS Preschool	Ages 3 – 5	44	\$125/month RO	Center-based preschool program housed at Brooklyn Middle School. Children 3 – 5 years of age and their parents receive services, which are available in a preschool. The center activities focus on cognitive development, expressive and receptive communication skills, fine and gross motor development, social-emotional growth, interactive play skills, and self-help development.
Cleveland Metropolitan Schools Nicole Vitale Early Childhood Expert 216-838-0234 Nicole.Vitale@clevelandmetroschools.org Qianna Tidmore Action Team Coach 216-338-4064 Qianna.Tidmore@clevelandmetroschools.org	Early Child Development Program Family-Life Education – 2 sites: Family Life Resource Center and Central Family Resource Center	Ages 3 – 5 Infant – toddler	20 per class 46 classes Pupil/teacher ratio: 20:2 Family Life Center: 20 Central Family Center: 5 - 7	0 0	An early childhood program for educationally disadvantaged preschool children who may be at risk of school failure. Services are provided 6 hours a day, 5 days a week. The program is designed to increase the child’s ability to develop successfully as well as involve parents in children’s total educational experience. Limited to children of students enrolled in GED program or taking classes at either site. Infant (6 months) to toddlers (age 4).

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District Contact Person	Program Title	Age Served	Capacity	Fees	Program Focus
Cleveland Heights/University Heights Kyle Priestly (216) 320-4503	Early Childhood Education (Entitlement) and Early Childhood Special Educ.	Ages 3 – 5		Tuition or grant funding/sliding scale TPDR RO	Three classrooms, which are co-taught by an early childhood teacher and an early childhood special education teacher, are composed of up to 10 typically developing children and up to 8 children with disabilities. Classrooms are blended special education and public preschool programs. A fourth classroom is structured to serve preschool children who present more significant challenges such as lack of attending behaviors and limited engagement with the learning environment. This classroom is made up of up to 8 students with disabilities and is taught by an early childhood special education teacher. Educational assistants provide support in classroom. Classrooms are located at the Gearity Early Childhood Center. A second site is located at Noble Elementary in Cleveland Heights.
Cleveland Heights/University Heights Katrina Hicks (216)371-6515 Kyle Priestly (216) 320-4503	Full Day Preschool	Ages 3 - 5		Full tuition program – limited county vouchers accepted, grant funding possibilities.	Full day, full year program for children 3-5 years of age and toilet trained. The hours of operation are 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Monday through Friday. This program is under the auspices of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Schools and is located at Gearity Professional Development School in University Heights. All programs are accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

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District Contact Person	Program Title	Age Served	Capacity	Fees	Program Focus
<p>Cuyahoga Heights Local Schools</p> <p>Joy Houchen, Principal (216) 429-5880</p> <p>Juleta Newkirk, School Psychologist (216) 429-5870</p> <p>Wendy Jovan, Director of Special Ed 216-429-5746</p>	Early Childhood	Age 4		RO	Regular education preschool, which meets ½ day, 5 days/week. Speech/language, psychological, and health services are available. Children with suspected special needs may be served.
<p>East Cleveland City Schools</p> <p>Paula Elder (216) 268-6596</p> <p>Shawna LeSure, Principal (216) 268-6670</p>	Early Childhood Education Program – Superior Elementary School	Ages 3 - 4	<p>3 units (1 class for 3 year olds and 2 classes for 4 year olds (17 maximum per session))</p> <p>1 unit: 8 special needs and 4 typical needs</p>	None	<p>A full day program which services typically developing children. The program is housed within a public school setting. Parent participation is encouraged along with parent training. Speech/language and psychological services are provided.</p> <p>A full day inclusive program which services typically developing children and children who receive special education services.</p>
<p>Euclid City Schools</p> <p>Rasheeda Hoston, Principal 216-732-2700 rhoston@euclidschools.org</p>	Euclid City Schools Early Learning Center (ELC)	Ages 3 – 5	Serving 146 General Education Students 13 Hours per wk., ½ day Mon.-Thurs.	Sliding fee scale	Students must be a resident of Euclid City to enroll. The ELC is a 5 Star SUTQ program, and evidence-based instructional strategies are implemented utilizing intentional teaching strategies that are aligned with the Early Learning & Development Standards.
<p>Fairview Park City Schools</p> <p>Jill Davis (440) 356-3515, ext. 1201</p>	Fairview Park Early Education Center	Ages 3 – 5	84	<p>Per 4 week Per 4 week session</p> <p>2 days = \$100</p> <p>3 days = \$144</p> <p>5 days = \$225</p>	Regular preschool program which has worked cooperatively with the district to serve typically developing and children with special needs. Program strengths include a developmentally appropriate curriculum with an emphasis on hands-on activities. Children may attend 2, 3, 4, or 5 days per week.

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District Contact Person	Program Title	Age Served	Capacity	Fees	Program Focus
Garfield Hts. City Schools William Foster Elementary Jennifer Matas (216) 475-8123, ext. 561110	Early Childhood Education (Entitlement) Program		Center-based 29 total		The entitlement grant provides children who are income-eligible a high quality early childhood program.
Lakewood City Schools Gordana Dimacchia (216) 529-4149	Lakewood Early Childhood Program Public Preschool	Age 4	112	Sliding fee scale \$0 to \$175/month	Classes are composed of eligible 4 year old Public Preschool students and eligible 3-5 year old Early Childhood Special Education students in an integrated classroom model. Center based in elementary buildings, classes meet 2½ hours per day, 4 days a week and every other Friday. Teachers use the Early Learning and Development Standards to guide curriculum and work closely with speech/language, psychological, health and special education services. The entitlement grant provides children who are income-eligible a high quality early childhood program.
Maple Heights Schools Susan Jaroscak 216-587-6100, ext. 3402		Ages 3 - 5			The entitlement grant provides children who are income-eligible a high quality early childhood program.

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District Contact Person	Program Title	Age Served	Capacity	Fees	Program Focus
Orange City Schools Monika Richards and/or Kelly Borders (216) 831-4909	Orange Early Childhood Center	Ages 3 – 5	108	3, ½ days per week (\$1440) 5, ½ days per week (\$2900) Full days 9 AM – 3 PM \$23.75 per day Extended days (7 AM – 6 PM) \$28.25 per day	Regular education preschool which has worked cooperatively with district and special education preschool programs to involve children with special needs when appropriate. Developmentally appropriate curriculum on Orange school campus, coordinated with Orange schools.
Warrensville City Schools John Dewey Elementary School Kelley Dudley Kelley_dudley@whcsd.org (216) 755-8743	Preschool	Ages 3 - 5	40 (20 per unit)	None	Regular education preschool and itinerant special education services provided. The entitlement grant provides children who are income eligible a high quality early childhood program.

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**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
EXPANSION GRANTEES
(Community Sites)**



Early Childhood Education Expansion Grantees 2014-2015

The following community early childhood centers were awarded early childhood education expansion slots in October 2013 and April 2014.

Award Program Name	Address	Program Phone	Contact Email
Bingham Early Learning Center	2421 Central Avenue Cleveland, OH 44115	216-402-9480	lynn.palmer@thecentersohio.org
Brightside Academy, Inc.	7710 Broadway Avenue Cleveland, OH 44105	216-271-5698	lphillips@brightsideacademy.org
Chapelside Academy	13211 Chapelside Cleveland, OH 44120	216-991-4499	chapelsideacademy@hotmail.com
Cleveland Catholic Diocese – John Paul II Academy	10608 Penfield Avenue Garfield Hts., OH 44125	216-581-3080	
Cleveland Music School Settlement Preschool	11125 Magnolia Drive Cleveland, OH 44106	216-421-5806	dvolker@themusicsettlement.org
Creative Kids	4925 Pointe Pkwy Bldg. F Warrensville Hts., OH 44128	216-292-7083	
EXCELL Early Learning Center	3031 Monticello Blvd. Cleveland Hts., OH 44118	216-321-5224	excellkids@hotmail.com
Fundamentals Early Childhood Development Academy	12500 Buckeye Rd. Cleveland, OH 44120	216-932-0103	Luvkidz3@att.net
Laparade, Inc.	25000 Euclid Avenue Euclid, OH 44117	216-731-8433	laparade@sbcglobal.net
Mather Early Learning Center	9203 Union Avenue Cleveland, OH 44105	216-271-0095	Stephanie.McMahan@thecentersohio.org
Merrick House Settlement & Day Nursery	1050 Starkweather Ave. Cleveland, OH 44113	216-771-5077 Ext. 128	marketir@merrickhouse.org JTDuncan97@gmail.com
Murtis Taylor Child Enrichment Center	13422 Kinsman Avenue Cleveland, OH 44120	216-283-4400	sbean@murtistaylor.org
Nature's Way Child Care	14010 Puritas Avenue Cleveland, OH 44135	216-671-0572	N8Urway@aol.com



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Award Program Name	Address	Program Phone	Contact Email
Parma Preschool, Inc.	5280 Broadview Rd. Parma, OH 44134	440-238-0193	lynn.palmer@thecenters.org
St. Augustine Manor Child Enrichment Center	7801 Detroit Avenue Cleveland, OH 44102	216-634-7403	smoore@st_aug.org
St. Rocco	3205 Fulton Road Cleveland, OH 44109	216-961-9920	stroccodaycare@yahoo.com
St. Thomas Aquinas Head Start	9101 Superior Avenue Cleveland, OH 44106	216-421-8870	ajdicenzi@clevelandcatholiccharities.org
Wade Early Learning Center	9111 Yale Avenue Cleveland, OH 44108	216-761-4994	lynn.palmer@thecenters.org
West Park Discovery World, Inc.	3909 Rocky River Drive Cleveland, OH 44111	216-671-7229	learn@discoveryworldwp.com
Willard Head Start	2220 W. 95 th Street Cleveland, OH 44102	216-651-5154	Gchambers@ceogc.org lynn.palmer@thecenters.org
WSEM Gordon Square Early Learning Center	5209 Detroit Avenue Cleveland, OH 44102	216-651-2037	Elizabeth.newman@thecentersohio.org

**COMMUNITY AGENCY SPECIAL
EDUCATION
PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS**



Community Agency Special Education Preschool Programs 2014-2015

Agency Contact Person	Program Title	Age Served	Capacity	Fees	Program Focus
<p>Achievement Center for Children</p> <p>Laurie Albright (216) 292-9700</p>	<p>Special Education Preschool for children with Autism</p> <p>A collaboration of ACC and the Educational Service Center of Cuyahoga County</p>	<p>Ages 3 – 5</p>	<p>7 children each in Westlake and Highland Hills</p>	<p>TPDR</p>	<p>This program offers a specially designed full day preschool (Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.) for children 3 – 5 years of age with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder. A summer program completes the 12-month focus of continual services. The preschool program model is available at both the Westlake and Highland Hills locations.</p> <p>The preschool program model is designed to meet the individual needs of children with communication, sensory, and social needs compromised by Autism Spectrum Disorder using a comprehensive developmental approach. Each preschool program is limited to 7 children based on their intensive developmental needs. A special education/early education teacher and two educational aides comprise the foundation needed to provide the low staff to child ratio in the class. Based upon each child’s personal diagnosis and assessment, the goals and objectives in each child’s Individual Education Plan (IEP) will be addressed through an integrated approach encompassing techniques for the most appropriate treatment method for each individual child. Strategies such as structured teaching, sensory integration, picture exchange communication system, behavioral analysis and modification, social-interaction are implemented based on assessment of each child’s strengths and weakness and learning modalities.</p> <p>ECE expansion grantee slots.</p>

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Agency Contact Person	Program Title	Age Served	Capacity	Fees	Program Focus
Cleveland Clinic Children's Hospital, Shaker Campus (216) 636-5437	Early Childhood Education	18 months through 5 years	15		Serves hospitalized children through a combination of small group and one to one activities. Parent education and family counseling is provided as children and parents cope with catastrophic injuries and chronic illnesses. Supplementary Programs: (1) Bibliotherapy (therapeutic reading & education), (2) Reach Out & Read (early literacy program); (3) Children's Library.
Cleveland Sight Center Sylvia Snyder, Director of Children & Young Adult Services (216) 658-8777	Early Intervention and Preschool for children with special needs.	Birth to 6 years	Early Intervention Center-based -15 Home visits unlimited Preschool Integrated - 16 (8 IEPs)	TPDR	Families of babies and toddlers with a vision impairment may choose to participate in home or center-based programs for early intervention. Within these settings, early childhood specialists and therapists instruct and provide intervention and parent support. The preschool is an integrated preschool classroom for children ages 3 to 6. The program is designed specifically to address children with vision impairment or blindness. The program provides pre-Braille instruction, orientation and mobility instruction, and other therapies as needed. The other therapies include, but are not limited to, occupational, physical, and speech/language. Parent support is an essential component of both programs.

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Agency Contact Person	Program Title	Age Served	Capacity	Fees	Program Focus
Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities Jacquie Kasprisin (216) 736-2709	Early Intervention Services	Birth – 2 years			Children must be eligible for Board of Developmental Disabilities services. Home-based only.
Hanna Perkins School Barbara Streeter Educational Director (216) 991-4472, ext. 107	Preschool, Kindergarten and Toddler Program	18 months to 6 years	44	Please call. Scholarship assistance is available	The program provides assistance to parents in helping their children master the challenges of growing up. Classes meet from September through June. Preschool classes: 9:15 AM – 1:00 PM/5 days; kindergarten classes: 9:00 AM – 1:30 PM/5 days; toddler/parent classes: 9:30 AM – 11:00AM/2 days/October/May.
Middleburg Early Education Center Christie Scott, Director (440) 888-9922 christieatmcec@yahoo.com	Early Intervention Preschool age – Typical and special education	18 months through 6 years	Average, 20 per class, 1:3 ratio Small room, 8 children; 2-3 teachers	Varies See website www.mcec.us	A private nonprofit preschool serving all that are developmentally delayed. The classes are small, language-based, and designed to be developmentally appropriate. Programming for each child is designed according to their individual needs. All children are in classes with typically developing peers. Center-based.

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Monarch School for Children with Autism Mandi Rickelman Early Childhood Supervisor (216) 320-8665	Monarch Preschool Program	Ages 3 to 6	2 half day classes	Varies	The Monarch Preschool Program utilizes a variety of treatment approaches based on children's needs in conjunction with language/visual teaching techniques..

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**ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY EARLY
CHILDHOOD RESOURCES**



ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY EARLY CHILDHOOD RESOURCES 2014-2015

Cuyahoga County is a service rich community. Parents and professionals seeking information regarding services for young children may wish to contact the following resources.

Help Me Grow (216) 698-7500

Help Me Grow is the central point of contact for Cuyahoga County's **Help Me Grow** birth to three programs (Newborn Home Visits; Ongoing Home Visiting Services; and Early Intervention-Specialized Services for infants and toddlers with developmental delays and disabilities). **Help Me Grow** can assist families in locating and accessing community resources for children ages birth to three.

Starting Point (216) 575-0061

Starting Point is an early childhood resource and referral center which is designed to link families with services, increase the supply of quality child care and address child care and early childhood issues. www.starting-point.org

TAP (216)-292-9700

The **Technical Assistance Program (TAP)** is a program that assists with the inclusion of children with disabilities, birth through age twelve, into community childcare programs. **TAP** resource teachers help parents locate childcare, then provide training, on-site consultation and support to childcare providers when the child is enrolled. (**TAP**) is an outreach program of the **Achievement Centers for Children**.

211/First Call for Help (216) 436-2000 or 2-1-1

2-1-1/First Call for Help, a program of United Way, is a free community service to help Cuyahoga County residents get information about social, health and government resources 24 hours a day, every day. A professional information specialist will answer your call and help you find the resources you need. 2-1-1 maintains information on more than 10, 000 services, offered by more than 1, 200 organizations, and provides an online database available at www.211cleveland.org.