



Philosophy, Goals, and Objectives

Hancock County Head Start Program is based on the premise that all children share certain needs and can benefit from a comprehensive developmental program focusing on promoting school readiness through positive social and education skills. This program is tailored to fit the needs of the local community and families involved as well as to maximize the unique experiences of each child's desire to become lifelong learners. Head Start supports and encourages parental involvement and provides comprehensive services to enhance family development in the following areas: Health, Mental Health, Disabilities, Literacy, Nutrition, Education, Transportation, Family Support, Community Partnerships, and Parent Involvement.

Early Head Start, Head Start & Pre-K serves infants, toddlers, and pregnant women in Sparta, Hancock County, Georgia. Its goal is to promote healthy prenatal outcomes for pregnant women, enhance the development of young children, and promote healthy family functioning.

Our objectives are to:

- Involve families in their child's growth and development
- Strengthen families as the primary nurturers of their children
- Provide children with educational, health, and nutritional services
- Involve the community and other agencies in supporting the Head Start program
- Provide the best education possible for each child
- Meet the changing needs of children, families, and the community
- Help families work through transitions successfully
- Link children and families to needed community services
- Involve parents in decision-making
- Measure effectiveness for program improvement