

## Parent Engagement

Head Start believes a parent is the most important influence on their child's development. Research tells us the involvement of parents in their child's lives is key to their child's academic success. This is why parent involvement is the foundation of our Head Start Program. Parents have many opportunities throughout the year to participate:

- Policy Council
- Home Visits
- Monthly Parent Meetings
- Classes/Workshops
- Discussion Groups/Conferences
- Field trips

Through these opportunities parents can learn about the needs of their child & educational opportunities for themselves.



**We enjoy family field trips!**

### Center Locations:

#### Chester Community Preschool

42 Maple Street, Chester, VT 05143  
(802) 460.0297

#### Pine Street Preschool

15 Pine Street, Springfield, VT 05156  
(802) 460.1285

#### Head Start Program Managers/Main Office

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##### SEVCA Weatherization

Westminster (802) 721.0042

##### SEVCA Family Service

Westminster (802) 721.0051

Springfield (802) 460.1553

Brattleboro (802) 246.3003

##### SEVCA Economic Development

Westminster (802) 342.3139



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### Mission Statement:

**SEVCA Head Start empowers children and families to build opportunities for success through education and resources**



# What is Head Start

Head Start is a federally funded preschool program that is offered at no cost to families that meet the eligibility requirements.

We offer comprehensive services for children and families regarding health, nutrition, education, and parent engagement.

Children and families are connected to:

- Medical & Dental Homes
- Healthy Meals & Snacks
- Services for Children & Families with disabilities
- Services for non-English speaking families
- Access to indoor and outdoor play in a safe environment
- “Hands on” Curriculum; Learning through Play
- Hearing & Vision Screens are also offered to enrolled children

Head Start focuses on the individual needs of each child and their family.

Head Start welcomes fathers!



We play with our friends!



We love when our Community Helpers come to visit us!



# Center Information

**Chester Community Preschool**  
Located in Chester at 42 Maple Street serving Chester, Gassetts, Andover, Simonsville, Baltimore, Cavendish, Proctorsville, Ludlow, Plymouth, & Weston



**Pine Street Preschool**  
Located in Springfield at 15 Pine Street serving Springfield & North Springfield



Head Start serves all of Windsor County. Each classroom has a Lead Teacher, Associate Teacher & a Teacher Assistant; along with a Food Service Provider and a Family Partner. Head Start centers do not provide transportation; however we will make every effort to connect families with each other to car pool & assist each other with transportation needs.