

Caldwell County 2025-2026 NCPK and Head Start Application



To be considered in the first round of placements, all information is due by April 30, 2025.

ALL questions must be answered in order for your application to be processed. Please check all programs for which you are applying: □ NCPK Eligibility: Child must be four years old on or before August 31, 2025 Family Income and other eligibility factors will be considered based on guidelines set by the State of North Carolina Complete documentation must be submitted in order to determine eligibility ☐ Head Start Eligibility: Child must be three or four years old on or before August 31, 2025 Family Income and other eligibility factors will be considered based on guidelines set by the Office of Head Start Interested families must attend an application/interview appointment at Northside Children's Learning Center *Applicants only interested in Head Start will select Northside Children's Learning Center as their first choice. Documents - Completed forms MUST include signatures and initials as needed, as well as all of the following documents in order to be considered: ☐ Caldwell County NCPK/Head Start Application with ALL fields completed Copy of Child's Birth Certificate ☐ Individual Education Plan/Individual Family Service Plan – IEP/IFSP (if applicable) ☐ Copy of Legal guardianship/custodial papers (if applicable) Health Transmittal Form and Dental Form (Completed on or after September 1, 2024) https://ncchildcare.ncdhhs.gov/Portals/0/documents/pdf/N/NCPre-K HAForm.pdf and http://pfclg.com/images/downloads/NCPreK-Dental-Screening-Form.pdf ☐ Up to Date Immunization/Shot Record Other (IEP, Sibling IEP, letter from doctor or therapist currently providing services to child) ☐ Proof of Income (at least one of the following): Check stubs for last two months Previous year's Tax Return including W2's and 1099's ☐ Current bank statement showing direct deposits for Child Support and/or Alimony ☐ Benefits letter (Social Security Income, Veterans Administration Benefits, etc.) Information may be faxed from third parties to the Preschool Readiness Center at 828-757-0642 Child's full name First Middle Last Child's address Street State Zip City Child's date of birth: month ___ day ____ year_

Transportation and Before and After School Care

Transportation and Before and After School Care Services are not included with the NC Pre-K or Head Start programs. The typical school day is from 8am – 2:30pm. Parents are responsible for speaking with the NC Pre-K placement site to receive information regarding before and after school availability and fees, if applicable. (Before and After school are available through A New Beginning Childcare, Head Start and Countryside Childcare.) Timely attendance is an expectation of the program. Prompt pick-up in the afternoon is required as our staff have after school responsibilities.

If accepted into the program	would vour chi	ld require before/afte	r school care?	☐ Yes	□No

Child's First Name M.I	I Last Birthdate
	portation or have other arrangements made.
Please check all boxes that apply and/or cor	mplete all questions:
Child's Gender	☐ Boy ☐ Girl
Is your child Hispanic?	☐ Yes ☐ No
County of Residence	☐ Caldwell ☐ Burke ☐ Other
What elementary school is your home address assigned to?	□ Baton □ Collettsville □ Davenport □ Dudley Shoals □ Gamewell □ Granite Falls □ Happy Valley □ Hudson □ Kings Creek □ Lower Creek □ Sawmills □ Valmead □ Whitnel □ I do not know my elementary school district.
Race (check all that apply)	☐ White ☐ Black ☐ Native American/ Alaskan ☐ Bi-racial ☐ Asian ☐ Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander ☐ Other
Is your child a NC resident?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Is your child a US citizen?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Child lives with:	☐ Mother only ☐ Father only ☐ Mother and Father ☐ Legal Guardian ☐ Legal Custodian ☐ Other
What language does your child most frequently use to communicate?	☐ English ☐ Spanish ☐Other
What language(s) are frequently used in your home?	☐ English ☐ Spanish ☐Other
Child/family is currently being served by Child Protective Services?	 No Yes, currently in Foster Care Yes, currently residing with parent(s) I am caring for a child who is <u>awaiting</u> foster care placement.
Please select all that apply to your child's current family status:	 □ WIC □ Food Stamps □ Early Head Start □ Medicaid □ IEP/IFSP □ Private Insurance □ In foster care □ In kinship care □ Expecting a baby
Is your family homeless (temporarily living with friends/family or in shelter/car/hotel)?	 No Yes, more than 12 months Yes, less than 12 months Living situation: In a shelter In own home, rented home, or apartment In a hotel or motel With friends or relatives – Explain:
	☐ In other circumstances – Explain:
Have you moved in the last 12 months?	☐ No ☐ Yes; How many times? What were the circumstances for moving?
or services.	Ridge Community Action) and/or Caldwell County Schools permission to make a referr Imagination Library books. Please enroll him/her through Caldwell Smart Start.
Signature	Date
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Uniid's First Name		M.I Last			Birthdate	
		Address		Р	hone	Email (Notifications will be sent via email)
Mother/Guardian	☐ Same as Child	Other				
				☐ Cell ☐	Home 🗌 Work	
Father/Guardian	☐ Same as Child	☐ Other				
				☐ Cell ☐	Home 🗌 Work	
Alternative Contact's name				Alternative Phone(s)	Contact's	
Please list all family	members living in ho	usehold (parents and <u>d</u>	<u>epende</u>	nt children):	ı	
Married adults, ir	Name ncluding step-parents, cchildren under age 18	Birth Date	Cu	rrent Age	Relati	ionship to Child
Child's Development	t:					
Does your child hat challenge or chron	ve a physical ic illness?	☐ No ☐ asthma ☐ diabetes ☐ Other	s 🗌 obe	esity	Verification	iagnosis is required. from your child's oust be provided with the
Does your child have or educational need	ve a developmental d?	☐ No ☐ Yes, please specify:			-	
Has your child rece developmental scre		☐ No ☐ Yes, date completed			-	
for determining if s	herapy, Occupational	☐ No ☐ Yes, please specify:			receiving pr kind. Recer Progress N	s know if your child is ivate services of any it evaluations or otes can be provided oplication as verification.
Is your child receiv developmental nee		☐ No ☐ Yes, please specify:			-	
Does your child ha (Individualized Edu (Individualized Fam	cation Plan) or IFSP	☐ No ☐ Yes (If yed) ☐ IEP with Caldwell Cod☐ IEP is not with Caldwell parent will provide a cod	ounty Sc vell Cou	nty Schools ar	Caldwell Contact to promule will be completed.	is under an IEP through ounty Schools, you do no vide a copy. Verification oleted by Caldwell ools.
Does your child hat currently being ser Individualized Educ	ved under an	☐ No (A copy of the submitted with the appl	ication.)	IEP must be	Caldwell Co	g is being served by bunty Schools, please list e.

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Is at least one parent/g child currently an active of the United States Arm ordered to active duty wi months or expected to be the next 18 months; or hinjured or killed in active	e duty of ed Force thin the ed ordered as been	member es; last 18 ed within	☐ No ☐ Yes	(If yes,	please pi	rovide do	cume	ntation)	
Current Child Care Prov	ider (m	ust be com	pleted):						
My child has attended a child care center or fan child care home.		Never Attendi Attendi		tly, paid b	y subsid				ed for subsidy and on the waiting list not eligible for subsidy
Current Child Care site		Name of o	·				_	Office us	se ONLY:
Previous Child Care sit	e	Name of o					_	Reason	no longer attending.
Not attending Child Ca	re	During the	e day, who	currently	/ cares fo	or your ch	ild?		
Parent/Guardian Employ	ment S	Status							
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Employed	☐ No Name	☐ Yes of employe	Pay \$_ er:		_ per ho	ur 	□ N Nam	lo 🗌 Y ne of emp	⁄es Pay \$ per hour lloyer:
	How r	nany hours	worked p	er week _			How	many ho	ours worked per week
Self-Employed	Job de	etails/explar	nation:				Job	details/ex	rplanation:
Student Status		h School G Training P		Colleg	e ∐No	ne		ligh Scho ob Trainir	ol GED
Unemployed, seeking employment	compl	m unemplo lete and sig pplicable – les in the la ong? Unem	n the state Please de st 12 mon	ement be escribe ar nths (Lay	low this only income off? If so,	chart. e	com	plete and applicabl	nployed and have no income. Please I sign the statement below this chart. Ie – Please describe any income ie last 12 months (Lay off? If so, for nemployed? If so, how long?)
Highest Level of Education	∏ Hig	ss than Dipl ih School D ear Degree	iploma	☐ 2 Ye) ear Degre ster's/Hig		□ H		Diploma/GED
If applicable - My current	income	is \$0. I hav	e had \$0	income s	ince		Da	ıte.	_ (date \$0 income began).

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If applicable - My Signature				(date \$0 income began). Date
Mother's/ Guardia	an's Income – D	ocumentation of each applic	cable source of f	family's income is required
Wages before taxes	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Mont☐ Biweekly/Every other wee	thly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.
Alimony	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Mont☐ Biweekly/Every other wee	•	Verification may be a copy of a court order or bank statements from the last 2 months.
Child Support	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Mont☐ Biweekly/Every other weekly	-	Verification may be a copy of a court order or bank statements from the last 2 months.
Worker's Compensation	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Mont☐ Biweekly/Every other wee	-	Verification may be 2 months of paystubs or a letter from your employer including dates and amounts.
Unemployment	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Mont☐ Biweekly/Every other weekly	•	Verification may be paystubs or a copy of your benefits letter.
Work First/ Temporary Assistance to Needy Families	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Mont☐ Biweekly/Every other weekly/Every other weekl	•	A benefits letter or Medicaid card can be used as verification.
Social Security	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Mont☐ Biweekly/Every other weekly	-	Verification may be a copy of your benefits letter.
Social Security/ Disability	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Mont☐ Biweekly/Every other weekly	-	Verification may be a copy of your benefits letter.
VA Benefits	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Mont☐ Biweekly/Every other weekly	•	Verification may be a copy of your benefits letter.
Pension/Annuity	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Mont☐ Biweekly/Every other weekly	-	Verification may be a copy of your benefits letter.
Family Support	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Mont☐ Biweekly/Every other wee	•	Verification may be a written statement that is signed and dated and includes contact information.
Other:	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Mont☐ Biweekly/Every other weekly	•	Verification may be a copy of your benefits letter or other written statements.
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read to children	talk about and a	answer questions about my job	help during celeb	brations serve on a committee/council
Father's/Guardian	n's Income - Do	cumentation of each applica	ible source of fa	mily's income is required
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Worker's Compensation	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twid	-	☐ Weekly	Verification may be 2 months of paystubs or a letter from your employer including dates and amounts.
Unemployment	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twid	-	☐ Weekly	Verification may be paystubs or a copy of your benefits letter.
WFFA/TANF	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twid	-	☐ Weekly	A benefits letter or Medicaid card can be used as verification.
Social Security	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twid	-	☐ Weekly	Verification may be a copy of your benefits letter.
SSI	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twid	-	☐ Weekly	Verification may be a copy of your benefits letter.
VA Benefits	\$	☐ Monthly ☐ Twid	-	☐ Weekly	Verification may be a copy of your benefits letter.
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Rank your preference (1-4)	Site	Area	Rank your preference (1-4)	Site	Area
	A New Beginning	Hudson-Whitnel area		Happy Valley School	Happy Valle
	Baton Elementary	Baton		Hudson Elementary	Hudson
	Collettsville Elementary	Collettsville		Kings Creek	Kings Creek
	Countryside Childcare	Granite Falls		Northside Children's Learning Center (Head Start)*	Lenoir
	Davenport Elementary	Lenoir		Sawmills Elementary	Sawmills
	Dudley Shoals Elementary	Dudley Shoals		Valmead Elementary	Lenoir
	Gamewell Elementary	Gamewell		Whitnel Elementary	Whitnel
	Granite Falls Elementary	Granite Falls			
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