

**Tacoma Public Schools**  
**Early Childhood Education and**  
**Assistance Programs at:**

- **Boze Elementary School**  
 1140 East 65th Street, 98404  
 253-571-4675 or 253-571-4689
- **North East Tacoma Elementary School**  
 5412 29th Street East, 98422  
 253-571-6986
- **Sheridan Elementary School**  
 5317 McKinley Avenue, 98404  
 253-571-5927
- **Whittier Elementary School**  
 777 Elm Tree Lane, 98466  
 253-571-7569

ECEAP is for age-eligible children from low-income families. Enrollment priority is given to children who are four years-old by August 31, 2010.

ECEAP has exciting preschool activities for children, including a meal, snack and transportation. Monday through Thursday, 2-1/2 hours per day. ECEAP involves the whole family and offers health, nutritional and social services support. During the summer, please call 253-571-1870 for an appointment in late August .



**Head Start Program**

Tacoma Public Schools Head Start serves children from low income families who will be four years old by March 31, 2011.

Head Start is available at several TPS Elementary Schools and operates Monday through Friday for four hours each day.

Head Start provides high quality preschool learning experiences and offers nutritional, medical, dental and family support services. Head Start also serves children with identified special needs. Children will receive Breakfast and lunch each day.

Parent involvement in the classroom and in program decision making is an Important part of the Head Start Program.

For more information about the Head Start Program and the School nearest your home, please call:

**(253) 571-1948**



**Free Preschool**  
**for Income Eligible**  
**Families in Tacoma**

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Attached is an important document from your child's school. Please have this document translated for you. Thank you.		

# Early Childhood Education and Assistance Programs

## **Bates Technical College**

1101 South Yakima Avenue • Tacoma, WA 98405  
2201 South 78th Street • Tacoma, WA 98409

Bates Early Childhood Learning Center offers ECEAP preschool at two locations: Downtown Campus on Yakima/11th St. or South Campus on Tacoma Mall Blvd/74th St. ECEAP is free to low income families seeking a quality, part-time preschool program for their three- or four-year-old child.

**Priority** is given to children who are four-years-old by August 31, 2010. Our mission is to support children's development to ensure a successful transition to kindergarten. ECEAP offers educational curriculum designed to meet individualized goals, health and developmental screenings to sustain a healthy mind and body ready to learn, and hot, nutritious meals. A Family Support Specialist is on site to provide community resource referrals, health and nutrition information and family activities. While children are attending ECEAP, parents have the choice of accessing Bates GED classes, free job readiness training, and the Work Source job center without leaving the campus area!

Wrap around **childcare** services are available and DSHS childcare subsidies are accepted.

**For class times, transportation information or questions, please call :**  
**253.680.7547 or 253.680.7384**



## **Multicultural Child and Family Hope Center**

The Multicultural Child and Family Hope Center (MCFHC) ECEAP is a 3-day per week program with three hours of preschool time each day. We have a morning and an afternoon class. ECEAP children receive breakfast or lunch and a snack before going home. Transportation for ECEAP students is also available to and from our center at 2021 South 19th Street (across from DSHS office).

MCFHC ensures a one teacher to six children ratio and has staff certificated to work with special needs children. The ECEAP program is proud to work in conjunction with the MCFHC Early Childhood Center, which is located in the same building. We offer a wrap-around program for children in need of full-day daycare services. DSHS payments are accepted.

In addition to receiving a preschool experience the children and parents in our program receive health screenings, nutrition information, social service information, and monthly family events.

For more information or to enroll in MCFHC ECEAP, please call  
**253-593-6641, 253-272-0942 or**  
**253-272-0903**

## **ECEAP/HEAD START PROGRAM APPLICATION INFORMATION**

To help make the most of your time, please bring the following items with you to your appointment.

1. **Proof of the previous 12 months' income** (TANF grant document, pay stubs for 12 months, tax return from previous year, unemployment document or W2 form from previous year.)
2. **Proof of birth date** (birth certificate, DSHS medical coupon, hospital certificate, or passport)
3. **Immunization records** from health care provider
4. Any documented results of Childfind, Childreach or Mary Bridge evaluations
5. Name, address and phone number of child's doctor and dentist
6. Name and phone number of emergency contact(s)

Your child does not need to accompany you to the application appointment. Please call if you are unable to keep your appointment. If you have questions about the information above, please feel free to contact one of the preschool programs listed in this brochure.

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