

Burke County 2023 NCPK and Head Start Application



## 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, 2023
- 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, 2023
- 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 appointment at Quaker Meadows Generations (828-438-6255) or Circle of Friends (828-879-2367).
- \*Applicants only interested in Head Start will select Quaker Meadows Generations or Circle of Friends as their first choice.

## □ Private Pay – please note, not all sections are required to be completed.

**Documents** - Completed forms **MUST** include signatures and initials as needed, as well as all of the following documents in order to be considered:

Burke 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)

Cher (Sibling IEP, letter from doctor or therapist currently providing services to child)

Proof of Income (at least one of the following – Not for Private Paying applicants):

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.)
- □ Medicaid card, if applicable

## Information may be faxed from third parties to Smart Start at 828-439-2333.

Child's full name				
—	First	Middle		Last
Child's address				
	Street	City	State	Zip
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 7:50 am – 2:30pm. Parents are responsible for speaking with the NC Pre-K placement site to receive information regarding before and after school care availability and fees, if applicable. 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 your child require before/after school care? [] Yes [] No

If accepted into the program, I will provide transportation or have other arrangements made. [] Yes [] No If accepted into the program, I understand that timely arrival and departure are my responsibility. Initial \_

Child's First Name M.I.	Last Date of Birth:		
Primary Contact Name	Primary Phone Alternate Phone		
Please check all boxes that apply and/o	or complete all questions:		
Child's Gender	Boy Girl		
Is your child Hispanic?	□ Yes □ No		
County of Residence	Burke Other		
What elementary school is your home address assigned to?	DrexelForest HillGeorge HildebrandGlen AlpineHildebranHillcrestIcardMtn. ViewMullOak HillRay ChildersSalemValdeseWA YoungI do not know		
Race (check all that apply)	□ Asian □ Bi-racial □ Black □ Native American/Alaskan □ Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander □ White □ Other		
Is your child a NC resident?	□ Yes □ No		
Is your child a US citizen?	□ Yes □ No		
Child resides with:	<ul> <li>Mother only</li> <li>Father only</li> <li>Mother and Father (includes Step-parents)</li> <li>Legal Custodian/Guardian (please provide legal documentation)</li> <li>Foster</li> <li>Kinship</li> <li>Other</li> </ul>		
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?	<ul> <li>No</li> <li>Yes, currently residing with parent(s)</li> <li>Yes, currently in Foster Care (please provide legal documentation)</li> <li>I am caring for a child who is <b>awaiting</b> foster care placement.</li> </ul>		
Please select all that apply to your child's current family status:	WIC       Food Stamps       Early Head Start       Medicaid         Private Insurance       IEP/IFSP       In foster care         In kinship care       Expecting a baby		
<b>Is your family homeless</b> (temporarily living with friends/family or in shelter/car/ hotel, or do not have a permanent residence)?	<ul> <li>No Yes, more than 12 months Yes, less than 12 months</li> <li>Living situation:</li> <li>In a shelter In own home, rented home, or apartment</li> <li>In a hotel or motel</li> <li>With friends or relatives – Explain:</li> <li>In other circumstances – Explain:</li> </ul>		
Have you moved in the last 12 months?	No       Yes; How many times?         What were the circumstances for moving:		
	ent residence and give Head Start (Blue Ridge Community Action). Smart		

I am homeless or do not have a permanent residence and give Head Start (Blue Ridge Community Action), Smart Start, and/or Burke County Public Schools permission to make a referral for services.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Child's First Name	M.I	Last	Date of Birth:
Primary Contact Name		Primary Phone	Alternate Phone

Mother/Guardian's Name

Father/Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

	Address	Phone	Email (Notifications will be sent via email)
Mother/Guardian	☐ Same as Child ☐ Other 	 Cell	
Father/Guardian	Same as Child Other	Cell Home Work	
Alternative Contact's Name		Alternative Contact's Phone(s)	

Please list all family members living in household (parents and <u>dependent</u> children, including the NC Pre-K child applicant) – **Note:** Not required for Private Pay applicants.

<b>Name</b> Married adults, including step-parents, and all dependent children under age 18	Birth Date	Current Age	Relationship to Child

# Child's Development (required for all applicants):

Does your child have a physical challenge or chronic illness?	☐ No	A medical diagnosis is required. Verification from your child's physician must be provided with the application.
Does your child have a developmental or educational need?	☐ No ☐ Yes, please specify: 	

Child's First Name	é
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\_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_\_ Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_

Has your child received a developmental screening?	□ No □ Yes, date completed	
Has your child been referred for testing to determine if special education services are required (Speech, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and/or Play Therapy)?	□ No □ Yes, please specify:	Please let us know if your child is receiving private services of any kind. Recent evaluations or Progress Notes can be provided with your application as verification.
Is your child receiving services for a developmental need?	□ No □ Yes, please specify:	
Does your child have an IEP (Individualized Education Plan) or IFSP (Individualized Family Service Plan)?	<ul> <li>No Yes (If yes, please include copy)</li> <li>IEP with Burke County Schools</li> <li>IEP is not with Burke County</li> <li>Schools and parent will provide a copy with the application.</li> </ul>	If your child is under an IEP through Burke County Schools, you do not have to provide a copy. Verification will be completed by Burke County Schools.
Does your child have a sibling who is currently being served under an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP).	<ul> <li>No Yes</li> <li>IEP with Burke County Public</li> <li>Schools</li> <li>IEP is not with Burke County Public</li> <li>Schools and parent will provide a copy with the application.</li> </ul>	If the sibling is being served by Burke County Public Schools, please list his/her name. Burke County Public Schools will provide verification.
Is at least one parent/guardian of this child currently an active duty member of the United States Armed Forces; ordered to active duty within the last 18 months or expected to be ordered within the next 18 months; or has been seriously injured or killed in active duty?	□ No □ Yes (If yes, please provide documentation)	

## Current Child Care Provider (must be completed; however, not required for Private Pay):

My child has attended a child care center or family child care home.	<ul> <li>Never</li> <li>Attending currently, paid by family</li> <li>Attending currently, paid by subsidy voucher</li> <li>Attended previously but is not currently enrolled</li> </ul>	☐ Applied for subsidy and on the waiting list ☐ I am not eligible for subsidy
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#### Parent/Guardian Employment Status Note: Not required for Private Pay applicants.

	Mother/Guardian	Father/Guardian
Employed	□ No □ Yes Pay \$ per hour Name of employer: How	□ No □ Yes Pay \$ per hour Name of employer:
	many hours worked per week	How many hours worked per week

Primary Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_\_ Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_

Self-Employed	Job details/explanation:	Job details/explanation:
	Mother/Guardian	Father/Guardian
Parent Educational Status	High School GED      College     Job Training Program      Other      None	High School GED      College     Job Training Program      Other      None
Unemployed, seeking employment	<ul> <li>I am unemployed and have no income.</li> <li>Please complete and sign the statement below this chart.</li> <li>If applicable – Please describe any income changes in the last 12 months (Lay off? If so, for how long? Unemployed? If so, how long?)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I am unemployed and have no income.</li> <li>Please complete and sign the statement below this chart.</li> <li>If applicable – Please describe any income changes in the last 12 months (Lay off? If so, for how long? Unemployed? If so, how long?)</li> </ul>
Highest Level of Education	☐ Less than Diploma/GED ☐ GED ☐ High School Diploma	□ Less than Diploma/GED □ GED □ High School Diploma □ 2 Year Degree □ 4 Year Degree □ Master's/Higher

## Mother's/ Guardian's Income - Documentation of each applicable source of family's income is required. Note: Not required for private pay applicants.

If applicable - My current income is \$0. I have had \$0 inco	me since (date \$0 income
began).	
Mother's Signature	Date

Wages before taxes	\$ Monthly      Twice Monthly     Biweekly/Every other week      Weekly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.
Alimony	\$ Monthly      Twice Monthly     Biweekly/Every other week      Weekly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.
Child Support	\$ Monthly      Twice Monthly     Biweekly/Every other week      Weekly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.
Worker's Compensation	\$ Monthly      Twice Monthly     Biweekly/Every other week      Weekly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.
Unemployment	\$ Monthly      Twice Monthly     Biweekly/Every other week      Weekly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.
Work First/ Temporary Assistance to Needy Families	\$ Monthly      Twice Monthly     Biweekly/Every other week      Weekly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.
Social Security	\$ Monthly      Twice Monthly     Biweekly/Every other week      Weekly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.
Social Security/ Disability	\$ Monthly      Twice Monthly     Biweekly/Every other week      Weekly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.
VA Benefits	\$ Monthly      Twice Monthly     Biweekly/Every other week      Weekly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.

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Pension/Annuity	\$	Monthly I Twice Monthly     Biweekly/Every other week I Weekly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.	
Family Support	\$	Monthly [] Twice Monthly     Biweekly/Every other week [] Weekly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.	
Other:	\$	Monthly [] Twice Monthly     Biweekly/Every other week [] Weekly	You must provide the last 2 months' of pay stubs as verification.	

## Father's/Guardian's Income - Documentation of each applicable source of family's income is required Note: Not required for private pay applicants.

If applicable - My current income is \$0. I have had \$0 income since \_\_\_\_\_ (date \$0 income began). Date

Father's Signature

\$ Wages before Monthly
Twice
Monthly You must provide the last 2 months' Biweekly/Every other week Weekly of pay stubs as verification. taxes Alimony \$\_\_ ☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Monthly You must provide the last 2 months' Biweekly/Every other week Weekly of pay stubs as verification. ☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Monthly You must provide the last 2 months' Child Support \$\_\_\_\_\_ Biweekly/Every other week Weekly of pay stubs as verification. ☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Monthly Worker's \$ You must provide the last 2 months' Compensation Biweekly/Every other week Weekly of pay stubs as verification. ☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Monthly You must provide the last 2 months' Unemployment \$ of pay stubs as verification. Biweekly/Every other week Weekly ☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Monthly You must provide the last 2 months' Work First/ \$ Temporary Biweekly/Every other week Weekly of pay stubs as verification. Assistance to Needy Families ☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Monthly Social Security You must provide the last 2 months' \$ Biweekly/Every other week Weekly of pay stubs as verification. Social Security/ \$\_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Monthly You must provide the last 2 months' Disability Biweekly/Every other week Weekly of pay stubs as verification. VA Benefits ☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Monthly You must provide the last 2 months' \$ Biweekly/Every other week Weekly of pay stubs as verification. Pension/Annuity ☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Monthly You must provide the last 2 months' \$\_\_\_\_\_ Biweekly/Every other week Weekly of pay stubs as verification. ☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Monthly Family Support \$ You must provide the last 2 months' Biweekly/Every other week Weekly of pay stubs as verification. Other: \$ ☐ Monthly ☐ Twice Monthly You must provide the last 2 months' Biweekly/Every other week Weekly of pay stubs as verification.

Child's First Name	_M.I	_Last	_ Date of Birth:
Primary Contact Name		Primary Phone	Alternate Phone
, ,	d or releas	sed within 6 months, dor	dered for this child's enrollment (i.e., nestic violence, physical or mental illness in

#### Please read carefully, initial each paragraph, sign and date on the last page:

\_\_\_\_\_ I certify that all information provided is true, correct and complete. I understand that information is provided to document eligibility for receipt of program funds. Program staff may verify information on this application. Deliberate misrepresentation may subject me to prosecution under applicable state laws.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that placement out of district does not guarantee Kindergarten placement the following school year.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that if my child is selected for participation, family involvement is essential. My family will cooperate with programs to submit necessary documentation and application for additional services.

I understand that transportation to and from Pre-K programs will be my family's responsibility.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that my child will receive a developmental screening and give permission for my child to also receive vision, hearing, dental and/or speech and language screenings.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that if there is a change in my child's address, phone number or attendance in any type of licensed care, it is my responsibility to notify the program and inform them of any changes.

I understand that my child will need a current (within one year of enrollment of school) health assessment which includes vision, hearing, immunization record, and dental examination, within 30 days she/he attends a program. (Health Transmittal Form is available in most Burke County doctor's offices, as well as https://www2.ncdhhs.gov/dph/wch/doc/aboutus/HAForm2016.pdf )

\_\_\_\_\_ I give permission for my child's name, picture, portrait, likeness, or voice to be used for the purpose of center display, scrapbook, newspaper articles, television broadcast, posting to Pre-K program websites, and/or printed materials for use by the NC Pre-K program(s) in Burke County.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that, if my child is accepted into the NC Pre-Kindergarten Program and/or Head Start, regular attendance is necessary for full benefit of the program. Failure to maintain regular attendance could jeopardize his/ her placement in the program.

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Preferred Location - Please number your first, second, and third choice for location using numbers 1, 2, and 3. While every effort will be made to place eligible children in preferred locations, we are unable to guarantee a site. Sites below are subject to change due to funding and availability. \*Applicants only interested in Head Start will select Quaker Meadows Generations or Circle of Friends as

# their first choice.

Rank your preference (1-4) from the list below:

 Site	Site Location	Site	Site Location
Circle of Friends	240 Bravard St. Rutherford College	Icard Pre-K	3087 Icard School Road Connelly Springs
Creative Beginnings	113 Bost Rd. Morganton	Mountain View Pre-K	805 Bouchelle Street Morganton
Drexel Pre-K	100 Alta Vista St. Morganton	Mull Pre-K	1140 Old NC 18 Morganton
Forest Hill Pre-K	304 Ann Street Morganton	Oak Hill Pre-K	2363 NC Hwy 181 Morganton
George Hildebrand Pre-K	8078 George Hildebrand School Road Connelly Springs	QM Generations	800 N. Green St. Morganton
Giggles N Grins	402 Mountain View Dr. Morganton	Ray Childers Pre-K	1183 Cape Hickory Road
Giggles N Grins 3	525 Hopewell Rd. Morganton	Salem Pre-K	1329 Salem Rd. Morganton
Glen Alpine Pre-K	302 London St. Morganton	Valdese Pre-K	298 Praley St. NW Valdese
Hildebran Pre-K	703 US Hwy 70 Hildebran	W. A. Young Pre-K	325 Conley Road Morganton
Hillcrest Pre-K	201 Tennessee St. Morganton		

I am interested in volunteering in my child's school/classroom. I can ] prepare classroom materials ] share a family tradition I read to children I talk about and answer questions about my job I help during celebrations serve on a committee/council.

Name(s)

If your child is currently attending a child care program or school please list the name of the facility below:

## NOTE: Priority will be given to students who are not currently enrolled in a four or five star child care center.

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Primary Contact Name		Primary Phone	Alternate Phone

\_\_\_\_\_\_ / understand that by completing this application my child is not guaranteed placement and that he/she may be on a waiting list. Placement is dependent on the availability of NC Pre-K funds that are appropriated each year by the NC General assembly during the legislative session.

\_\_\_\_\_ I certify that all information provided is true, correct, and complete. I understand that information is provided to document eligibility for the NC Pre-K Program. Program staff may verify information provided. Deliberate misrepresentation may subject me to prosecution under applicable state laws.

Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
(My signature on this form indicates all information is true and correct.)	

Relationship to child: \_

\*\*ALL questions must be completed in order for your child to be considered. Please check to confirm there are no unanswered questions.

If you have difficulty with any part of this application, please contact us.

How did you hear about the NCPK program? 
Radio announcements 
From someone I know
Social media
Telephone notification
Posted signs
Newspaper
Other:

Drop off or mail completed applications at:	Questions and appointments
Burke County Public Schools	Burke County Public Schools
700 E. Parker Road	Phone: 828-439-4312
Morganton, NC 28655	
or	Burke County Smart Start
Burke County Smart Start	Phone: 828-439-2326
Mailing: PO Box 630	
Morganton, NC 28680	Burke County Head Start
Visit: 304 W. Union Street	Phone: 828-438-6255
Morganton, NC 28655	
Applications may also be dropped off at any NCPK Location.	

Office Use Only: New Student	
How application was received: Mail Email Courier from Dropped off at	
Shared with Head Start Date of IEP Meeting (to discuss transition)	
Current Ed Placement Child's Area of Eligibility	
Frequency/Duration of Services: Special Ed: Speech Therapy:	
OT: PT:	
Other (list):	