Head Start Partnerships and Collaborations

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What is a Head Start Partnership/Collaboration?
The goal of the partnership/collaboration is to provide additional support to classrooms and families as we partner together to help children learn and grow and to create the best possible school experience.

Head Start is a nationwide, federally funded preschool program that promotes school readiness and development through: early learning, health services, and support of family well-being. Your Head Start program is through PEACE, Inc. which provides a variety of services for individuals and families throughout Syracuse and the surrounding areas of Onondaga County.

Partnerships and Collaborations
PEACE, Inc. partners and collaborates with local agencies.
Atonement Day Care Center
Catholic Charities
Children’s Consortium
Elmcrest Children’s Center
Lydia’s Lullaby Day Care Center
Onondaga Community College
Onondaga County Correctional Facility
Salvation Army at Cab Horse Commons Daycare
Syracuse City School District - UPK

Programs

Big Brothers Big Sisters
Eastwood Community Center
Energy & Housing Services
Family Resource Centers
Foster Grandparent Program
Free Tax Prep
Head Start
Senior Supports
Senior Nutrition

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Mission Statement:
Helping people in the community realize their potential for becoming self-sufficient.

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Early Head Start (EHS)
0-3 years of age
Promotes the physical, cognitive, social and emotional growth of infants and toddlers, and provides prenatal education and support services to pregnant women.

Head Start (HS)
3-5 years of age
We help children achieve their full potential by providing early childhood development, health, family services and other support to participants and their families at no cost.

Benefits of the partnership/collaboration include:

Early Learning:
- developmental screenings for your child
- support for your child’s transition to kindergarten
- opportunity to volunteer and visit the classroom
- access to a Head Start disabilities coordinator

Health Services:
- health screenings for your child
- promote healthy habits (brushing teeth, washing hands, etc.)
- access to a Head Start nurse
- access to a Head Start mental health specialist
- access to a Head Start Registered Dietitian

Family Well Being:
- support of a Head Start family worker
- linkage to community resources
- partnering to assess family strengths and needs, working toward family dreams
- opportunity to attend Head Start parent gathering and workshops
- access to an interpreter for ESL families