OUR MISSION:

Opening doors through individualized, comprehensive services and community partnerships that empower low-income individuals and families to improve their quality of life.

OUR VISION:

To provide quality services that empower low-income individuals and families to become financially stable, realize their full potential and become participating citizens and leaders in the community in which they live.



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HEAD START



Serving the citizens of Jefferson, Jennings and Scott Counties since 1965



WHAT IS HEAD START?

OVO's Head Start Program is a *free* preschool for income eligible households. It is a complete child development program for young children and families. We provide quality, individualized education, health, and family services. Our caring, professional staff support each family as they work toward growth and success. Our classrooms boast state-of-the-art technology, and our highly trained staff help prepare our young students for kindergarten and beyond.

OVO endeavors to work with our preschoolers to develop the skills they will need for academic success. We also provide family support that equips parents with the knowledge and expertise to better understand their child's needs and be more engaged in their child's education and their community.



Additional Ouestions?

Contact our office by phone at (812) 265-4877, visit our website at ovoinc.org/head-start/, or drop by in person at our Main Administration Office at 421 Walnut Street in Madison, IN.

What services does Head Start provide?

Our program offers a wide variety of early childhood development, family support, and health related services which include:

- Full Day, Part Day, and Home-Based Options
- · Healthy Meals & Snacks
- Hearing, Vision, Health, & Dental Screenings
- School Readiness and Quality Education
- · Social and Self-Help Skills
- · Mental Health Services
- Speech & Disability Services
- Referrals to other community resources
- Parent Trainings & Workshops

How do I qualify?

In order to qualify for Head Start, your child must be 3-4 years old. Eligibility for the Head Start program is determined by a priority rating system that includes:

- · Age of the Child
- · Household income
- Indentified Special Needs of the child or family

How do I apply?

You must submit a completed application to our office. Applications are accepted year

round. You can receive one by:

- Downloading it off our website at ovoinc.org/head-start/.
- Requesting an application by mail by calling (812) 265-4877.
- Picking one up at any of OVO's office locations.

What documents do I need to provide?

Documents you should attach to your application or bring with you to our office include: your child's birth certificate, your child's immunization (shot) records, and proof of household income.

Where are the Centers located?

We have 4 Head Start Centers, with a location in each of our three counties:

Jefferson County:

575 OVO Drive, Madison (812) 265-8240

Southwestern Elementary School:

273 S. Main Cross, Hanover (812) 866-1176

Jennings County:

3040 N. Highway 3, North Vernon (812) 346-8965

Scott County:

1172 Community Way, Scottsburg (812) 752-7409