

Why Families Love Head Start

At Delaware Opportunities, our Head Start program is more than just early childhood education—it's a place where families grow, children thrive, and lasting connections are made. We're honored to share a few heartfelt testimonials from parents who have experienced the positive impact of Head Start firsthand. Their words reflect the dedication of our staff, the strength of our community, and the meaningful support that makes all the difference during these early years.

Dear Delaware Opportunities and the Head Start Program,

Where can I begin on our tremendous Head Start journey???? Our older daughter was accepted into the program in 2016 for unfortunately one year as she started Kindergarten the following fall and our younger daughter just finished her second year and will begin her Kindergarten journey this fall. The teachers and aides in the class are phenomenal. The care and attention they offer the children is amazing. Both of our children have grown and learned so much during their times there. Our soon to be 3rd grader still will say she wishes she was small and could go back to Head Start! During these uncertain times the last few months it has been amazing how often they would reach out to us to make sure we were ok, did we need anything, offer packets of different things for our daughter to make crafts and other activities, send emails with information and learning tools, and provide Zoom meetings for the kids to "get together" and see each other and have some fun "learning" time together. We are truly going to miss all the wonderful women that have become part of our lives these last few years and can only imagine the lives that they will continue to touch and help shape in the future for all the young children that are going to be blessed enter and pass through the doors of their classroom.

This does not seem to do justice to show our appreciation and thanks to such a wonderful program that has and will continue to help so many children in our community.

THANK YOU for everything!!

Holly and Art Cash

To whom it may concern,

My name is Amanda DePersia and my fiancé is Ethan Tompkins our sons Jesse and Raylan Tompkins have had great experiences while in Walton Head Start. The boys both also were in Colleen and Samantha class room. I feel both the boys made great stride and progress in growing and shaping into the little young gentleman that they are. We felt if we had any questions or concerns that they were answered and brought to our attention when needed. We enjoyed that they worked on daily things such as manners, mealtime etiquette, cleanliness, sharing and other things to grow and learn from. Most important worked very well on all the kid's fundamentals. We would definitely recommend family, friends, acquaintances and more to enter or look into having their child be a part of the Walton Head Start family. Everyone in the Walton Head Start building was a pleasure to be around. We felt very safe, knew my kids were safe and being well taken care of. With that said we would like to say thank you once again to Colleen and Samantha and everyone else for such a wonderful experience.

Sincerely,

Amanda DePersia & Ethan Tompkins

All 3 of my children have gone thru Head Start. It was such a positive experience for all 3. From learning to write their name to getting the speech help they needed. Head Start is truly an amazing program. The focus they have for each individual child and their needs is amazing. I loved that the program was not just for the kids but also for the family. They were a great recourse and support system, encouraging me and my family to succeed and strive to be better.

I recommend Heat Start to everyone that I know that has preschool aged children.

Becky

Walton Head Start Parent

My daughter has been going to Head Start in Fishs Eddy for two years! The staff is beyond amazing and so compassionate ! We have been so lucky for the staff especially through COVID-19! As my daughter moves to Pre-K nextyearwe will miss the staff very much ! We will miss the activities that we have done at home and I know she will miss singing with her teachers! My daughter is a picky eater and they have always gone above and beyond with helping her try new foods and have been so supportive when she didn't want to eat something! I am so thankfulfor them! And glad they will be there next year when my son can attend!

Fishs Eddy Head Start Parent