



Head Start Pre-School Set to Open at Nantucket Elementary

Nantucket, MA, July 25, 2017 – Cape Cod Child Development Program is proud to announce that we will open our first Head Start location in Nantucket this September.

Housed in the Nantucket Elementary School, the Head Start classroom will provide free, part-day pre-school for 15 children ages 3 to 5 years old from families with limited incomes, under the federally funded Head Start program.

Research has shown that pre-school developmental and social experiences are essential for children to succeed in elementary school and later in life*. However the cost of pre-school can be too high for many families.

Superintendent W. Michael Cozort stated that the Nantucket Public Schools are pleased to be in partnership with Cape Cod Child Development to bring Head Start to Nantucket. We recognize that there are many of our year round families who struggle to make ends meet and cannot afford a quality pre-school program. With more and more children entering Nantucket Elementary School with little to no prior preschool experience, combined with the already extensive waiting lists for fee-based childcare centers, we need Head Start on the island. Recognizing this Supt. Cozort and Anne Colwell, CEO of Cape Cod Child Development, created an avenue to bring CCCD's Head Start and the associated high-quality early education and care to meet the needs of our young islanders.

"Providing high-quality, low-cost pre-school is a way that we can demonstrate that we value working families and that we care for all the children of Cape Cod and Nantucket," said Anne Colwell. "We are delighted to be expanding our Head Start program to Nantucket"

About Cape Cod Child Development

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