

Mission & Vision



- Our **MISSION** is to provide a high-quality, family-focused program uniquely designed to prepare children for learning and life.
- Our **VISION** “Building foundations for life-long growth and development.”

About Head Start

- A comprehensive, early childhood development program serving infants/toddlers, preschoolers and pregnant women.
- Eligibility for enrollment includes ages birth to 5 (including pregnant women), family income (below poverty guidelines, 100%-130% of poverty guidelines, over-income slots available), children with disabilities, children and families experiencing homelessness, foster care, and families receiving public assistance.
- No fee for enrolling—this federally funded program is free to all eligible.
- Bus transportation is provided in most areas of the northern panhandle; staff provide transportation to program activities and health related appointments.
- Community Partnerships are vital to the success of the program.
- Prepares children for kindergarten and engages the whole family in the process—Parents are also welcome into the classroom!
- The nation’s premier early childhood program for 57 years and counting!



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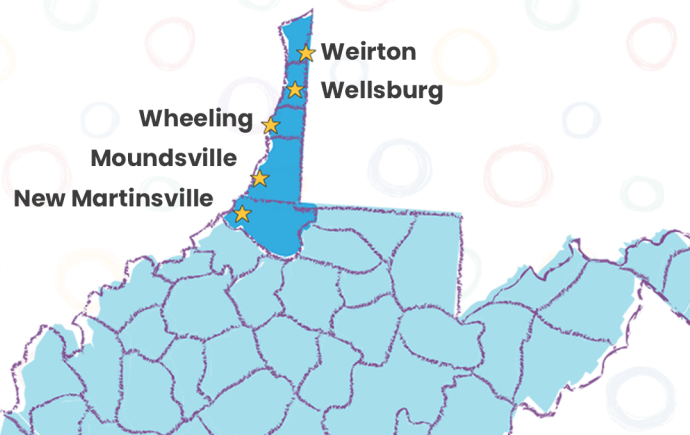


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Locations in your Community

Offering Quality, Early Childhood Development & Family Services in **Hancock, Brooke, Ohio, Marshall & Wetzel** Counties in West Virginia



 **Northern
Panhandle
Head Start, Inc.**



5 Reasons to Choose Northern Panhandle Head Start!

Our Programs



Early Head Start

On-site services for expecting mothers and children ages birth to 3.



Head Start

On-site services, transportation and more for children ages 3 to 5.



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In-home services for expecting mothers & children ages birth to 3 in Ohio County, WV.



Child Care Partnerships

Curriculum, environmental & free supplies for enrolled children through 3 years old.

1 School Readiness

- Children gain the skills, knowledge, and attitudes necessary for success in school and for later learning and life.
- Experiences in social and emotional development, cognition and general knowledge, language and literacy, physical health and development, and approaches to learning through a appropriate curriculum.

2 Family & Community Engagement

- Developing effective partnerships and goal-directed relationships with families is a critical part of supporting family well-being.
- Research shows that children have better outcomes when parents have adequate resources, live in safe environments that support learning and development, and provide active and intentional learning experiences.
- Many family involvement activities are organized throughout the year to encourage parents to participate in family-fun, learning and program decision making.

3 Standards of Care

- Qualified, early childhood professionals trained in multiple disciplines provide the best learning experience possible.
- Operated under the WV Dept of Health & HR Child Care Licensing Regulations and are monitored on a regular basis to ensure the health and safety of all children, staff, and families.

4 Child & Family Well-Being

- Mental Health Services—While your child is in Head Start, he or she will be learning how to understand and manage feelings, how to make a friend and be a friend, and how to solve problems with other children.
- NPHS is supported by community mental health professionals who provide services for one-on-one modeling and instruction in the classroom and home settings to referring children to outside professional resources.

5 Health & Nutrition

- The cornerstone of the program, healthy children are more ready to learn. It is important to establish a medical and dental home for your child at an early age.
- Our staff work with you to ensure your child is up to date with immunization schedules, receives age-appropriate medical and dental examinations, and obtains/schedules necessary follow-up treatment. Health screenings like height, weight, hearing and vision are conducted to identify concerns and all parents will receive information on outcomes of those screenings.
- We provide up to 2/3 of your child's daily nutritional needs depending on the number of hours spent on site daily.

