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## Giving children a 'head start' on life



Seneca Steel Erectors President Dale Campbell pitches in and helps out at the Regional Food Center (RFC). After the RFC purchased a compactor and freezer from Buck Edgar of Edgar's Super Thrift, Campbell and his employees moved the equipment to the RFC free of charge.

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Head Start is a federal- and state-funded program for pre-school children from low-income families. Hocking Athens Perry Community Action Agency operates six Head Start centers in three counties. Those centers are located in Athens and Nelsonville (Athens County), Laurelville and Logan (Hocking County) and Corning and New Lexington (Perry County).

All teachers have extensive and on-going training in child development. Each classroom has at least one teacher with at least an associate degree in Early Childhood Development. Many Head Start parents who volunteer eventually become trained teachers. Presently, about half of HAPCAP's staff are former Head Start parents.

Children ages 3 through 5 can participate in Head Start, which offers a variety of educa-

Hocking, Athens, Perry Community Action's Head Start Program is accepting applications for enrollment in Athens, Hocking and Perry counties.

Head Start is a preschool program that provides a variety of learning experiences to help children learn to cope socially, emotionally and intellectually. Head Start also provides programming for children with special needs/disabilities. In addition, all children participate in a comprehensive health care program.

Children must be 3 to 5 years of age, and families must meet the income guidelines established by the federal government.

Applications are available throughout the counties in various locations, including HAPCAP's main office located at 11100 SR 550, PO Box 340, Athens, Ohio 45701. Contact 1-800-686-1093 or 740-592-6601 for further information.

tional activities, including programs for special needs. Head Start helps all children succeed. Services are offered to meet the special needs of children with disabilities.

Games, stories, art, music and outside play are important learning activities at Head

Start. Children learn how to play with others and to share and listen. Head Start children discover a love for learning and develop good problem solving skills.

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Each child receives a speech, language and hearing screening. If therapy is needed, children will be referred or provided with professional help. Children are required to have a medical and dental examination as part of the Head Start program. Parents will be advised of any health care needs and provided with information about follow-up services.

Disability services are available to children who have special needs. Part of those services include an Individualized Educational Plan (IEP) prepared for each child, with the help of parents and teachers.

Hot, nutritious meals and snacks are served daily at each Head Start center. Breakfast and lunch are a time of eating and conversation with other children and adults. Children learn independence by passing bowls of food around the table and serving themselves.

If a child cannot attend the Head Start center, he or she

may qualify for the Home-Based Program. A teacher visits their home once a week to work for 90 minutes with the child and parents. Parents will learn to help their child with activities throughout the rest of the week. Children will be picked up for a classroom socialization experience a minimum of two Wednesdays each month.

Another program available is the Head Start Family Day Care Mentor Program, which partners with type A and B day care providers certified through each county's Job and Family Services to provide Head Start services in their day care. They must have Head Start eligible children in their day care to be a part of this program. The providers are required to do lesson plans each week and attend a training each month provided by HAPCAP, so they can earn their CDA. The family day care mentor visits the day care providers weekly to see the children and provide guidance and advice.



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