

***Classes are held
Monday-Thursday from
8:45 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.***

- Morning classes consist of individualized 1:1 and small group instruction (maximum of six preschoolers with intensive needs). Instruction focuses on developing foundational academic, functional and language skills.
 - Children eat packed lunches in the classroom with time for peer socialization.
- Afternoon classes focus on age appropriate structured play, social skills and group interaction with peers.

First Start Location:

2800 13th Street
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223



420 Washington Ave.
Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221

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First Start Preschool Program

The Summit Preschool is licensed by the State of Ohio. State inspection reports of the Summit County Preschool are available for viewing through the supervisor or designee.



What is the First Start Preschool Program?

The Summit ESC First Start Preschool program is designed to meet the needs of preschool-aged children requiring concentration on functional academics, social-emotional skills, communication and behavioral intervention. Placement of students in the intensive needs classroom is determined on a case-by-case basis. Decisions are made according to data from evaluations, observations and behavioral interventions, as well as input from parents, residential school districts and the First Start program staff.

Who Provides the Services?

Providers include the following:

- Intervention Specialist
- Two Classroom Assistants

Ratio*:

AM: one adult to two children

PM: one adult to four children

*There is a greater staff to student ratio two days per week

Evidence-Based Strategies Used:

- Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA)
- Discrete Trial Training (DTT)
- Zones of Regulation
- Treatment and Education of Autistic and Related Communication Handicapped Children (TEAACH)
- Assistive Technology
- Sensory Integration
- Social Skills Training with Peers
- Functional Behavior Assessment (FBA)
- Behavior Intervention Plan (BIP)

Curriculum:

- Ohio Early Learning Development Standards
- Assessment, Evaluation, Programming System (AEPS)
- State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR-Ohio)
- Functional Life Skills
- Activities of Daily Living
- Recreation, Play and Leisure Skill Development

Therapy Services:

- Speech Therapy - two full days per week
- Occupational Therapy - based on individual needs
- Physical Therapy - based on individual needs

Family Support:

- Community-based Instruction
- Parent Training
- In-Home Consultation
- Daily Communication

