

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Pre-Kindergarten and Child Care Openings Available**

**Lewiston, ME (January 21, 2010)** – Openings are available in Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care’s Pre-Kindergarten and Child Care classrooms. We are currently accepting applications for 3 and 4 year olds with families who live or work in Androscoggin County. Parents or guardians must be employed or receiving job training for at least 30 hours per week, or continuing their education. Full day, full year centers are located in Lewiston and Auburn.

If you have previously applied to any of Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care’s programs, please contact the Enrollment Office to update required information. If you have never applied, please contact Enrollment at 795-4040 to schedule an appointment to complete the application.

Fees for full day Pre-Kindergarten and Child Care are low and are based on monthly gross income and family size. Breakfast, lunch and snacks are included. All programs emphasize physical, cognitive, social-emotional and educational development, with specific emphasis placed on preparing children to begin kindergarten. Children receive health screenings, and special services are available if required. Full day, full year classrooms open at approximately 6:30 AM and close at 5:30 PM, Monday to Friday.

Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care has provided quality child development services to pregnant women, families, and children, newborn to age five, for over forty-three years. Program options include Full Day, Half Day, Pre-Kindergarten partnerships with local elementary schools, Home Based, Family Child Care, Infant and Toddler Early Head Start, and the Child and Adult Care Food Program. Services through these programs are provided annually to over five hundred children and families throughout Androscoggin County. Centers are located in Lewiston, Auburn, Lisbon Falls, Livermore Falls, and Mechanic Falls.

Applications for all Head Start programs are accepted at any time. Full day childcare services are available on a sliding fee scale for parents who are working, continuing their education, or participating in job training thirty or more hours per week. Please call (207) 795-4040 for more information. Please visit our website at [www.androkids.com](http://www.androkids.com). Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care is a United Way funded and Lewiston and Auburn CDBG supported agency.

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