



# **CONTRA COSTA COUNTY** **CSB Admissions Priorities / Selection Criteria** **2015-2016 Program Year**



Head Start Performance Standard 1305.3 (c)(6) mandates that the program set criteria, based on our Community Assessment, that define the types of children and families who will be given priority for recruitment and selection. Kindergarten is available in all communities that we serve. Due to the community need for full-day, full-year services, and the mandate that the Head Start & Early Head Start Program collaborate for full-day services, CSB has adopted the following selection criteria presented in order of priority, which also meets the regulations of our partner, the State Department of Education, with one exception as noted below\*:

<b>INFANTS &amp; TODDLERS</b> <b>(Aged 0-3, including pregnant women)</b>	<b>PRE-SCHOOL</b> <b>(Aged 3-5)</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Transfers</li> <li>2. CPS, Foster Child ♦ &amp; Child At Risk</li> <li>3. Eligible infant/toddler with disabilities (IEP or IFSP)</li> <li>4. Sibling of a child already enrolled in the program</li> <li>5. Current TANF Recipient ♦ or within 24 months</li> <li>6. Eligible infant/toddler who is homeless ♦</li> <li>7. Lowest income infant/toddler</li> </ol> <p><b>*Exception</b></p> <p><b>Contra Costa College:</b></p> <p>On October 3, 2008, the California Department of Education granted CSB an enrollment waiver to give first priority to children of college students at our Contra Costa College Children's Center.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Transfers</li> <li>2. CPS, Foster Child ♦, &amp; Child At Risk</li> <li>3. Eligible 4 yr old with disabilities (IEP or IFSP)</li> <li>4. Sibling of a child already enrolled in the program</li> <li>5. Eligible 4 yr old with special circumstances               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Families experiencing domestic violence</li> <li>▪ Limited English</li> <li>▪ Families Needing Full Day services</li> <li>▪ Currently Homeless ♦ or Homeless within the last 18 months</li> <li>▪ Current TANF ♦ recipient or within the last 24 months</li> <li>▪ Health Impairments</li> <li>▪ Teen Parents</li> <li>▪ Grandparent caregivers</li> <li>▪ Children with current or former incarcerated parent(s)</li> </ul> </li> <li>6. Lowest income 4 yr old</li> <li>7. Eligible 3 yr olds disabilities (IEP or IFSP)</li> <li>8. Eligible 3 yr old with special circumstances               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Families experiencing domestic violence</li> <li>▪ Limited English</li> <li>▪ Families Needing Full Day services</li> <li>▪ Currently Homeless ♦ or Homeless within the last 18 months</li> <li>▪ Current TANF ♦ recipient or within the last 24 months</li> <li>▪ Health Impairments</li> <li>▪ Teen Parents</li> <li>▪ Grandparent caregivers</li> <li>▪ Children with current or former incarcerated parent(s)</li> </ul> </li> <li>9. Lowest income 3 yr old</li> </ol>

♦ Denotes categorical eligibility.

As per Head Start Performance Standard 1305.3 (c), at least 10 percent of the enrollment will be made available to children who meet the definition for children with disabilities.