



Head Start and Public Libraries: A Collaboration

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Head Start in Farmington



- Administered by Farmington Public Schools
- Early Childhood Department offers:
 - Fee-based Preschool
 - Head Start
 - Michigan School Readiness (ESL)
 - Preschool Intervention
(children 3-5 with developmental delays)
 - Early Intervention
(children 0-3 with developmental delays)

FCL Children's Outreach



- Serves all home-based child care facilities, child care centers, private and public preschool classes in service area
- Services include:
 - Busy Bee Bulletin
 - Busy Bee Collections
 - Librarian Visits
 - Continuing Education Workshops



Busy Bee Bulletin

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Calendar Buzz

Continuing Education For Child Care Providers
Oakland Child Care Council Workshops
Look for a flyer with further details in your mail this fall!

Great Parents Great Start Workshop:
Call (248) 848-4315 x220 to register.
Toilet Training and Terrific Twos
Farmington Branch
Children's Program Room:
Wed. Sept. 12th, 7:00 PM

Special Family Programs
Bedtime Storytime from Sweet Dreamzzz
Main Library
Mon. Sept. 10th, 7:00 PM
Farmington Branch
Thurs. Oct. 25th, 7:00 PM

Give a Pig a Pancake
Main Library
Fri. Sept. 28th or
Sat. Sept. 29th,
2:00 or 4:00 PM
Farmington Branch
Mon. Oct. 1st, 7:00 PM

Autumn Author Visit with Lisa Wheeler
Main Library
Sat. Oct. 20th, 2:00 PM

Celebrate Children's Book Week with The Pirate Extravaganza
Main Library
Sat. Nov. 10th, 2:00 PM
Superhero Fun
Farmington Branch
Mon. Nov. 12th, 7:00 PM

Winter Holiday Fun
Farmington Branch
Wed. Dec. 12th, 7:00 PM

Early On Information Sessions for Parents
Learn about free early intervention services.

Farmington Branch
Thurs., Sept. 20th,
10:15-11:15 AM
Main Library
Tues., Sept. 25th,
6:45-7:45 PM

Farmington Branch
Wed., Oct. 3rd,
6:45-8:00 PM
Farmington Branch
Mon., Oct. 15th,
10:15-11:15 AM

Farmington Branch
Wed. Oct. 25th,
10:15-11:15 AM
Main Library
Fri., Nov. 9th,
10:15-11:15 AM

Visit www.youth.fh.farmlib.org/ or call us at (248) 848-4315 for more program information.



Announcing Busy Bee Book Giveaway!

During the months of September through December, receive a free book as a gift for you to keep every time you visit us to check out a Busy Bee Bag!

Never checked out a Busy Bee Bag before? Specially designed for child care providers and preschool teachers, each Busy Bee Bag contains a great

selection of books, music, rhymes, and reproducible craft ideas. Take advantage of this opportunity to build your own library while it lasts! You can even call ahead to have a bag waiting for you.

For more information or to reserve a bag, call the Main Library Children's Desk at (248) 848-4315.

Choose from these Busy Bee Bags:	Animals
	Bedtime
	Bugs
	Circus
	City
	Clothing
	Community Helpers
	Fairytales and Mother Goose
	Family
	Food
	Ocean
	Transportation
Fall	
Winter	
Spring	
Summer	
Halloween	
Thanksgiving	
Valentine's Day	



Scheduling Visits



- Collaboration with Head Start Coordinator each fall to develop schedule
- Visits occur November-May
- Each class receives 4 visits
- Visits are performed by 11 Children's Staff members

Storytime Planning



- Presentation lasts 20 minutes
- Outline includes 2-3 upbeat stories, a felt story or puppets, movement rhymes and songs
- One outline is developed every two months and repeated by all staff throughout the two-month period
- Coloring sheets and stickers are distributed

Post-Visit



- Librarian signs teacher's daily log book
- Librarian fills out internal visit comment form for future planning

Tips for a Great Visit



- Make sure the teachers know the visit schedule.
- Follow proper school visit etiquette
- Bring extra books and rhymes and be prepared to make substitutions on the fly
- Emphasize concepts they are learning
- Leave your mark
- Enjoy your rewards!



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