

At-A-Glance: Early Care and Education Sector Plan



Northwest Early Learning Hub

<http://nwelhub.org/>

Backbone Organization: Northwest Regional Education Service District
Serving Clatsop, Columbia and Tillamook Counties

Priority Populations	Geographic Regions	Family Preferences
Children of color	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seaside Rainier St. Helens Scappoose Neah-Kah-Nie Tillamook Nestucca Valley 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Security- The children are safe. The parent feels they are leaving children in good hands, and for the child to feel safe and comfortable. The caretaker is responsible and qualified to care for children- have had background checks, First Aid/CPR. Access to more affordable and accessible childcare. Includes the need for transportation and extended and weekend hours, and if on the waitlist, informing them of their status. Need for more Spanish speaking teachers, staff and supports to communicate with child and parents, provide written materials and home activities in Spanish. For the child's language and cultural identity to be fostered and the parent does not have to choose between someone who can support their child's language and culture and a center that supports learning, academics, and social emotional development. <p>Additional Considerations: Parent meetings or events with interpreters and scheduled to accommodate parent work hours; speech therapy in Spanish, more ECSE hours, providing nutritious food.</p>
Children who are emerging bilingual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seaside Rainier St. Helens Scappoose Neah-Kah-Nie Tillamook Nestucca Valley 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Security- The children are safe. The parent feels they are leaving children in good hands, and for the child to feel safe and comfortable. The caretaker is responsible and qualified to care for children- have had background checks, First Aid/CPR. Access to more affordable and accessible childcare. Includes the need for transportation and extended and weekend hours, and if on the waitlist, informing them of their status. Need for more Spanish speaking teachers, staff and supports to communicate with child and parents, provide written materials and home activities in Spanish. For the child's language and cultural identity to be fostered and the parent does not have to choose between someone who can support their child's language and culture and a center that supports learning, academics, and social emotional development. <p>Additional Considerations: Parent meetings or events with interpreters and scheduled to accommodate parent work hours; speech therapy in Spanish, more ECSE hours, providing nutritious food.</p>
Children in low income families (200% and below of FPL), as well as children in geographically isolated communities, where access to ECE is limited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tillamook Nestucca Valley Neah-Kah-Nie Seaside Vernonia Scappoose Jewell Knappa Westport St. Helens Rainier 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Access to child care, especially infant/toddler (under 3) care; transportation to programs, and more hours of care (e.g., more days a week, full time care). Caregivers who are trained, caring, and responsible. Not just babysitters. Teachers that are experienced and educated in caring for children and building strong relationships with them. Affordable options for care. Some families make too much money to qualify for some supports, but still don't make enough to pay for child care. Families proposed sliding scale payments and more public support to make child care more affordable. Currently, they may need to sacrifice the amount of care or quality of care for financial reasons. <p>Additional Considerations: Supports for children with developmental delays, health needs, and behavioral support needs.</p>
Children under the age of 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Caregivers who are trained, caring, and responsible. Not just babysitters. Teachers that are experienced and educated in caring for children and building strong relationships with them. Alternative scheduling and extended care including programs that offer afternoon preschool options, programs with longer evening hours and programs with weekend hours. This is particularly important if you have multiple children that range from under 3 to school age. Transportation <p>Additional Considerations: Supports for children with developmental delays, health needs, and behavioral support needs.</p>