

"THE FISHERMEN FAMILY CONNECTION" NEWSLETTER



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UPCOMING EVENTS

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Parent Orientation Thursday, August 27th 9am-3pm

Join us for Parent Orientation if your child will be returning next year. We will have resources to share and an opportunity for your child to receive their screenings.

Higher Hopes Food Give Away Thursday, September 3rd

Higher Hopes is helping families prepare for the Labor Day weekend with a special food giveaway on



REMINDERS

Hello Families,

As this year comes to a close, I find myself reflecting on just how much growth we've witnessed together, not only in your little ones, but in our program as a whole. Every first step, first word, and first giggle we've celebrated this year has been possible because of the trust you place in us each and every day. That trust is not something we take lightly.

To our families: thank you for welcoming teachers into your lives, for showing up to workshops and events, and for being your child's first and most important teacher. To the staff: thank you for the patience, care, and heart you bring to this work every single day. And to our community partners and volunteers: your generosity has made a real difference for the families we serve.

As we head into the new year, I'm filled with gratitude and excitement for what's ahead. Thank you for being part of our Early Head Start family. Wishing you and your little ones a restful, joyful season together.

With warmth and appreciation,

Tameka Dwyer
Executive Director

Parent Family Community Engagement



Celebrate Your Child's Growth and Look Ahead!

As the Early Head Start year comes to an end, take time to celebrate how much your child has grown! Think about new skills your child has developed, such as walking, using new words or sounds, feeding themselves, sharing, or showing affection.

For returning families, now is a great time to think ahead. Are there goals you would like your child or family to achieve during the upcoming year? Your Family Advocate is here to support you, connect you with helpful resources, and celebrate each milestone along the way.

Thank you for your partnership. You are your child's first and most important teacher!

HIGHER HOPES FOOD GIVE AWAY

Higher Hopes is helping families prepare for the Labor Day weekend with a special food giveaway on Thursday, September 3rd.

Families will receive ingredients to make a delicious pasta salad, including rotini pasta, cucumbers, tomatoes, carrots, onions, and Italian dressing. Boxes will also include chicken leg quarters, corn on the cob, baked beans, macaroni and cheese, Jiffy corn muffin mix, fruit, lemonade, barbecue sauce, spice rub, and other items for a complete holiday meal.

Free dog and cat food will also be available for families with pets.

If you are interested in receiving and picking up a food box, please sign up at Parent Orientation. This opportunity is available to the first 100 families who register, so be sure to sign up soon!

We hope these groceries help your family enjoy a delicious meal and a happy Labor Day together!



ERSEA Corner

ENROLLMENT RECRUITMENT SELECTION ELIGIBILITY ATTENDANCE

Joining us for the 2026–2027 program year?

Complete the steps below to confirm your child's seat.

Step 1: Download the ChildPlus Communication App

The ChildPlus Communication App will be our primary way to share announcements, reminders, forms, and important updates throughout the year. Download the app using one of the links below.

Apple App Store:

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/childplus-communication-app/id6741083432>

Google Play Store:

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=net.childplus.connect&hl=en>

Step 2: Complete the Family Survey

Please complete the Family Survey using the following link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd_ueePi3pA9JlgAD-gAqm0ZFDD6xFOVHS0UsXDBXBLE9ENZw/viewform?usp=header

Step 3: RSVP for Parent Orientation

Please use the link below to confirm your attendance:

<https://forms.gle/47Bsi6me5k83vDbh6>



The Order of the Fishermen Ministry
Head Start
**Parent
Orientation**

-  **Considine Little Rock Family Life Center**
-  **8904 Woodward Ave, Detroit, MI 48202**
-  **August 27, 2026**
9am - 3pm

Families are encouraged to attend before the first day of school. Meet the Early Head Start team and get valuable resources for your family.

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