



Partnerships 4 Families is the local Early Childhood Iowa (ECI) area that serves Audubon, Carroll, Greene and Guthrie Counties. ECI Areas, which represent all 99 counties in Iowa, enable local citizens to lead collaborative efforts involving early care, education, health, and human services on behalf of the children, families, and other citizens residing in the area. Their mission is to achieve the following results:

- Healthy children,
- Children ready to succeed in school,
- Safe and supportive communities,
- Secure and nurturing families, and
- Secure and nurturing early learning environments.

Our Vision is:

*Every Child, Beginning at Birth,  
Will be Healthy and Successful.*



Audubon, Carroll, Greene  
and Guthrie Counties

[www.earlychildhood.iowa.gov](http://www.earlychildhood.iowa.gov)

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**Greene  
County**

# What can Greene County offer your child

from birth to 5 years of age?

**GREENE COUNTY  
EARLY CARE &  
EDUCATION SERVICES**



Additional Information and Resources available  
at

[www.partnerships4families.org](http://www.partnerships4families.org)



## CHILD CARE

### CHILD CARE RESOURCE & REFERRAL

Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) provides resources, education and advocacy to support quality child care. They assist families in finding care that meets their needs and talk to parents about quality indicators such as ChildNet and the Iowa Quality Rating System (QRS). Child Care Consultants provide on-site consultation to all preschools, centers, homes and before and after school programs. CCR&R also provides professional development to child care professionals and provides data to community leaders.

**Parent Referral: 855-244-5301 • Region 3: 712-755-7321**  
[www.iowaccrr.org](http://www.iowaccrr.org)

Child Care Home providers care for five or fewer children at one time (including their own) and are not registered. CCR&R can refer them if the provider passes an Iowa Abuse Registry Check. They are mostly unregulated and only visited if Department of Human Services (DHS) receives a complaint.

Child Care Homes Approved to Accept Child Care Assistance payments can care for five or fewer children at one time (including their own). They are not registered. Providers have to take twelve hours of health and safety training and pass record checks. DHS visits them once a year.

Child Development Home providers are registered. They may care for six or more children at one time. They agree to meet minimum health and safety standards and pass record checks. DHS visits them once a year.

The Iowa Department of Human Services licenses child care centers and some preschools. Centers and preschools must comply with standards set forth by their respective departments.

### Licensed Centers in the county include:

#### GREENE COUNTY EARLY LEARNING CENTER

JEFFERSON  
515-386-2092

#### P-C EARLY LEARNING CENTER

CHURDAN  
515-968-4333

#### NATURAL WONDERS LEARNING CENTER

JEFFERSON  
515-386-2317



## PRESCHOOL

### GREENE COUNTY PRESCHOOL

515-386-3178

Greene County School District offers a preschool program for children who are 3 or 4 by September 15th at the Greene County Elementary Building 401 East Russel St. in Jefferson.

### PATON-CHURDAN PRESCHOOL

515-389-3111

Paton Churdan Community School offers a preschool program for children who are four years of age by September 15th of the current school year. 606 Adrian Street, Churdan, Iowa

### HEAD START/EARLY HEAD START

712-792-9266 Ext 400

New Opportunities, Inc. Head Start 3-5 provides center based preschool services for children 3-5 years old. A positive safe learning environment is created for the children in a classroom setting. Classes are held four days a week, four hours a day. Children in Greene County attend the classroom in Jefferson.

### NATURAL WONDERS PRESCHOOL

515-386-2317

Natural Wonders 3 year old preschool program runs from September-May M-T-TH from 8:30-11. We encourage creative and independent thinkers while children learn through play. For more information call 515-386-2317.

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The **Partnerships 4 Families website** has more information about Local Agencies and links to the agencies' websites:  
[www.partnerships4families.org](http://www.partnerships4families.org)

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## EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES

### H.O.P.E.S.

**Healthy Opportunities for Parents to Experience Success:**  
A home visitation program for families with children prenatal to 3. **515-386-3228**

**Early Head Start:** A home visitation program for income eligible families. **712-792-9266 Ext. 400**

**WIC:** Supplemental nutrition program for Women Infant & Children under the age of 5. **800-642-6330**

**Maternal/Child Health and 1st Five:** Providing support & access to various services for income eligible pregnant moms and families, including breastfeeding assistance.  
**515-386-3228**

**Immunizations:** Greene County Medical Center Public Health.  
**515-386-3228**

**Child Health Specialty Clinics:** Care coordination and telehealth opportunities with University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics pediatric specialist for children and youth with special health care needs. [www.chsciowa.org](http://www.chsciowa.org) **712-792-5530**

**Prairie Lakes AEA/ Early Access:** Early intervention services for children with or at risk of developmental delays. It is a central point of entry for families to obtain information and services.  
[www.plaea.org](http://www.plaea.org) **515-386-8188**

**Parent Time Out /Crisis Child Care:** Gives parents a break from parenting. **800-999-5101 or 712-792-6440**

**FRC Waiver Program:** Serving children and adults with special needs. **800-999-5101 or 712-792-6440**

**Department of Human Service:** located at 608 N Court, Suite C in Carroll. **866-202-5968**

**New Opportunities Family Development Center:** Services for income eligible households. [www.newopp.org](http://www.newopp.org) **515-386-2719**

**Greene County Early Childhood Task Force:** Meets on a quarterly basis to discuss the needs of young children in Greene County.

Please email Partnerships 4 Families  
[p4fchildren@gmail.com](mailto:p4fchildren@gmail.com) for time and location or for any questions on early childhood services.