2025-2026 NC Pre-Kindergarten Information

Alamance, Caswell, Durham, Franklin, Granville, Orange, Person, Vance and Wake Counties

Below please find information on the administering agencies of the NC Pre-K application process for the nine counties served by Child Care Referral Central. Information includes registration dates, how to apply, and contact information for each county.

County	Agency Name	Dates of Registration	Application Access	Appointment, Virtual or Walk-in	Contact Name	Phone Number/ Email
Alamance	Alamance-Burlington School System and Alamance County Partnership for Children	January 31, 2025	Alamance Partnership for Children website Alamance- Burlington School System Website	Appointment, walk-in, or drop off (at Alamance Partnership for Children, any elementary school, Central Office, either Head Start location or Ray Street Academy)	Tonya Jones Pre-k Director Or Di'Quasi Champ 336.513.0063 dchamp@alamancechildren.org	336.438.4000 ext. 20227 tonya_jones@abss.k12.nc.us
Caswell	Caswell County Partnership for Children	Mid March 2025	Caswell County Partnership for Children website	Appointment or walk-in	Sandra Hudspeth	ccp4child@esinc.net 336-694-1538
Durham	Durham PreK	February 3, 2025 (consideration for all sites) On-going applications through April 2026	Durham PreK website	Walk-in, in-person, or virtual application appointment	Kathy Toro Guerrero	833.773.5338 Prek@childcareservices.org
Franklin	Franklin-Granville-Vance Partnership for Children	Early February	Franklin Granville Vance Smart Start website	Drop applications off at the preferred site; virtual appts and walk-in available	Kendra Davis	252.433.9110 ext. 237 Kdavis@fgvsmartstart.org
Granville	Granville County Schools	March 2025	Granville County Schools	Neighborhood Elementary School or registration centers	Carolyn Buffaloe (Registration Coordinator)	919.693.4613 prek@gcs.k12.nc.us buffaloec@gcs.k12.nc.us
Orange	Orange County Smart Start	TBA -January	Orange County Partnership for Young Children website	Application online; email submissions accepted, drop off or mail in	Arlene Owens	984.677.2211 aowens@orangesmartstart.org
Orange	Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Pre-K/Head Start	Early February	Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools	Appointments and email submissions accepted (For the application to be included in the Pre-K Lottery, this must be noted on application as the first placement option)	Tiwana Light Brown	919.967.8211 ext. 20103 prekapplications@chccs.k12.nc.us
Person	Person County Partnership for Children	Mid-February	Partnership for Children of Person County website or at any Person County NC PreK Site	Drop off or in-person	Courtney Harding	336.599.3773 charding@pcpfc.org
Vance	Vance County Schools	Registration will begin in March	All elementary schools, the district's central office, & on the district website	Walk-in (any elementary school or district office) or virtual dropped off at 1724 Graham Avenue	Stephanie Alston	252.492.2127 X2403 salston@vcs.k12.nc.us
Wake	Wake County Smart Start	Paper or Online Application Available January 7, 2025	Wake County Smart Start website Informational Video	Office Walk-in Application Events Thursdays (1pm-4pm) For Community Application Events visit: https://www.wakesmartstart.org/families/wake-pre-k-overview/in-person-application-events/	Ana Gallo	919.723.9283 919.851.9550 agallo@wakesmartstart.org