

# PRESCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

**\*Anticipated funding – details subject to change\***

Community Action of Southeast Iowa will again apply for funding from Des Moines, Henry, Louisa, Washington + Muscatine (DHLW+M) Early Childhood Iowa to help families pay a portion of their preschool tuition costs. Funding is anticipated and not yet guaranteed, but we should know by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Funding will be limited and applications are only processed once they are received complete.

- ✓ Families must reside in one of the following Iowa counties: Des Moines, Henry, Louisa, Washington, or Muscatine.
- ✓ Children must be 3-5 years old as of September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025; they are not eligible past age five or before age three.
- ✓ Families must enroll in an approved licensed preschool, per our requirements.
- ✓ Priority is given to children who cannot be served by a free preschool program:
  - Four (4) year-olds who are denied or waitlisted for their local school district's free preschool program.
  - Three (3) and Four (4) year-olds below our minimum income must first be denied or waitlisted for their local Head Start Program.
- ✓ Families must meet income eligibility requirements; see below.

## Income Eligibility Guidelines

# in Household	Household Annual Gross Income MORE than:	Household Annual Gross Income LESS than:
2	\$21,150	\$42,300
3	\$26,650	\$53,300
4	\$32,150	\$64,300
5	\$37,650	\$75,300
6	\$43,150	\$86,300
7	\$48,650	\$97,300
8	\$54,150	\$108,300
For households above 8 members, contact us for guidelines.		
<b>Anticipated average family preschool co-pay of \$15-\$35* monthly.</b> (*higher co-pays will apply for higher priced preschool programs)		



## Applications anticipated in July 2025

Visit our website or contact the Preschool Scholarship Program

- ✓ <https://caofseia.org/services/children/preschool-scholarships/>
- ✓ (319) 753-0193 or
- ✓ email [Kalisha.Lutz@caofseia.org](mailto:Kalisha.Lutz@caofseia.org)