



Director's Corner

Welcome to the 2025/2026 school year! We started off the year on the right direction learning about Conscious Discipline and how to control our bodies in order to help those around us in a positive way. I hope you each take the time to breathe and think in those hard times. Our final Conscious Discipline session together in Dover will be held on September 26th. The next step will be having Amy, our Conscious Discipline instructor, visit classrooms to observe, model strategies and provide recommendations to strengthen our program.

HARCATUS Policy

I want to make it clear for all staff that agency policy gives a 30-minute break to all employees unless approved by your supervisor and Director for a longer break. This is a good time to look at HARCATUS policy stating there is no approved smoking locations in any of our buildings.

Remember we are CLOSED on September 1st for Labor Day.

Enrollment

As we begin the new school year, we want to thank each of you for the hard work you've already put in to welcome our children and families! We know how much heart goes into preparing classrooms, reaching out to families, and creating a warm, inclusive space. Enrollment is more than a number—it's how we serve more families, secure our funding, and keep our program strong for years to come. Let's work together to fill every slot! Please do not miss any opportunity you may have to tell someone how great Head Start is, and why they should enroll their child! How can you do that? It's simple! Here are some ideas!

- Wear your Head Start shirt out in the community.
- Carry a Head Start application or half sheet with the QR code with you when you get groceries, go to a restaurant or when you attend an event where there are kids.
- If someone calls your center, and you are unable to start an application with them, please be sure to get a name and a phone number, and let them know someone will soon contact them.

