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IT'S NOT TOO LATE:
4-YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN SLOTS STILL AVAILABLE

South Carolina First Steps continues to accept student applications for **free** 4-year-old kindergarten for the 2007-08 school year.

To qualify, your child must:

- **Be 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2007.**
- **Be eligible for free/reduced lunch or Medicaid.**
- **Live in one of the following school districts:** Abbeville, Allendale, Bamberg 1, Bamberg 2, Barnwell 19, Barnwell 29, Barnwell 45, Berkeley, Chesterfield, Clarendon 1, Clarendon 2, Clarendon 3, Dillon 1, Dillon 2, Dillon 3, Florence 1, Florence 2, Florence 3, Florence 4, Florence 5, Hampton 1, Hampton 2, Jasper, Laurens 55, Laurens 56, Lee, Lexington 4, Marion 1, Marion 2, Marion 7, Marlboro, McCormick, Orangeburg 3, Orangeburg 4, Orangeburg 5, Saluda or Williamsburg.

These 4K classes are made possible by the 4K Expansion Pilot approved in 2006 by the S.C. General Assembly. Expanded 4-year-old kindergarten classes are being offered for children living within the boundaries of the 37 school districts involved in the state school funding equity lawsuit. In 2005, a judge ruled that South Carolina needs to do more to ensure its youngest, neediest children have opportunities to reach kindergarten ready to learn. Parents are encouraged to contact the above providers directly to receive detailed enrollment information.

Classes are available at the following providers:

Active Providers (2007-2008)		
CENTER NAME	PHONE	COUNTY
Kids Under Construction II Inc. 117 Highland Terrace, Abbeville, SC 29620	(864) 366-5572	Abbeville
Family Affair Care Center 1115 Georgia Ave., North Augusta, SC 29841	(803) 278-0988	Aiken
Kids R Us Childcare and Learning Center Mailing: P.O. Box 1248, Allendale, SC 29810 Physical: 263 Railroad Ave., Allendale, SC 29810	(803) 584-3295	Allendale
Little Precious Angels, CDC 1395 Caperinum Road, Bamberg, SC 29003	(803) 245-7600	Bamberg
Progressive Family Life 284 Progressive Way, Denmark, SC 29042	(803) 793-5628	Bamberg

Bedford's Stay-n-Play Mailing: P.O. Box 1103, Barnwell, SC 29812 Physical: 140 Carolina Ave., Barnwell, SC 29812	(803) 541-7704	Barnwell
Macedonia Elementary Head Start (Aiken/Barnwell CAC) Mailing: P.O. Box 882 Aiken, SC 29802 Physical: 556 Jones Bridge Road, Blackville, SC 29817	(803) 645-2155	Barnwell
New Jerusalem AAA Daycare Center Mailing: P.O. Box 1580, Barnwell, SC 29812 Physical: 9303 Marlboro Ave., Barnwell, SC 29812	(803) 541-6007	Barnwell
Amazing Creations Mailing: P.O. Box 2690, Bluffton, SC 29910 Physical: 4464 Bluffton Park Crescent W., Bluffton, SC 29910	(843) 837-5437	Beaufort
Hobbit Hill Preschool 921 Magnolia Bluff Circle, Beaufort, SC 29902	(843) 525-1731	Beaufort
Betty's Daycare and Preschool, Inc. Mailing: P.O. Box 621, St. Stephen, SC 29479 Physical: 122 Elm St., St. Stephen, SC 29479	(843) 567-2624	Berkeley
Karen Scott Heath Child Development 2316 Redbank Road, Suite 100, Bldg. 1693 Goose Creek, SC 29443	(843) 764-7408	Berkeley
La Petite Academy-SCSUM 1665 N. Main St., Summerville, SC 29483	(843) 875-1190	Berkeley
La Petite Academy-SCGC 502 St. James Ave., Goose Creek, SC 29445	(843) 553-5951	Berkeley
Sunshine House #106 1102 Dennis Blvd., Moncks Corner, SC 29461	(843) 761-8738	Berkeley
Sunshine House #29 NAD Road, N. Charleston, SC 29406	(843) 553-0328	Charleston
West Ashley Learning Hub 1099 Playground Road, Charleston, SC 29407	(843) 766-2229	Charleston
Foster's Child Care Center P.O. Box 61446, Charleston, SC 29418	(843) 569-3914	Charleston
Giggles and Wiggles Academy Mailing: P.O. Box 231, Pageland, SC 29728 Physical: 726 N. Arant St., Pageland, SC 29728	(843) 672-3030	Chesterfield
Wee Academy Learning Center Mailing: P.O. Drawer 759, Manning, SC 29102 Physical: 625 W. Huggins St., Manning, SC 29102	(803) 435-2071	Clarendon
Kid's LTD Mailing: P.O. Box 507, Dillon, SC 29536 Physical: 713 W. Calhoun St., Dillon, SC 29536	(843) 774-3555	Dillon

Pee Dee CAP Head Start (Hamer Canaan) Mailing: 1401 W. Evans St., Florence, SC 29501 Physical: 428 Elkins Road, Hamer, SC 29536	(843) 774-7650	Dillon
Pee Dee CAP Head Start (Whittaker) Mailing: 1401 W. Evans St., Florence, SC 29501 Physical: 2624 Worship St., Whittaker, SC 29536	(843) 841-3116	Dillon
Excellent Learning Preschool, Inc. Mailing: P.O. Box 15308, Quinby, SC 29506 Physical: 807 N. Irby St., Florence, SC 29506	(843) 679-5386	Florence
La Petite Academy SCF 3501 Pineneedles Road, Florence, SC 29501	(843) 662-9808	Florence
Melva's Day Care 817 W. Main St., Lake City, SC 29560	(843) 374-2198	Florence
Pee Dee CAP Head Start (FDTC) Mailing: 1401 W. Evans St., Florence, SC 29501 Physical: 2715 W. Lucas St., Florence, SC 29501	(843) 676-8525	Florence
Pee Dee CAP Head Start (Johnsonville) Mailing: 1401 W. Evans St., Florence, SC 29501 Physical: 158 E. Marion St., Johnsonville, SC 29555	(843) 380-8408	Florence
Pee Dee CAP Head Start (Lake City) Mailing: 1401 W. Evans St., Florence, SC 29501 Physical: 209 Graham Road, Lake City, SC 29560	(843) 394-5466	Florence
Pee Dee CAP Head Start (Olanta) Mailing: 1401 W. Evans St., Florence, SC 29501 Physical: Hwy. 301 N., Olanta, SC 29114	(843) 396-9713	Florence
Pee Dee CAP Head Start (RN Beck) Mailing: 1401 W. Evans St., Florence, SC 29501 Physical: 1001 Sumter St., Florence, SC 29501	(843) 679-6765	Florence
Pee Dee CAP Head Start (Thelma Brown) Mailing: 1401 W. Evans St., Florence, SC 29501 Physical: 304 N. Alexander St., Florence, SC 29501	(843) 678-3417	Florence
The Sunshine House #30 2009 Second Loop Road, Florence, SC 29501	(843) 669-1997	Florence
Zion Canaan Child Development Center Mailing: P.O. Box 173, Timmonsville, SC 29161 Physical: 612 S. Hill St., Timmonsville, SC 29162	(843) 346-0499	Florence
Little Smurf's Child Development 903 Martin Luther King, Andrews, SC 29510	(843) 264-3262	Georgetown
Rainbow Child Care Center 552 Oatland Road, Georgetown, SC 29440	(843) 527-6131	Georgetown
Children's Keeper Learning Center 103 N. Hoover St., Hampton, SC 29924	(803) 914-0008	Hampton

The Mellon Patch 103 First St., Hampton, SC 29924	(803) 943-5055	Hampton
Little People, Inc., Day Care P.O. Box 1638, Hardeeville, SC 29927	(843) 784-5200	Jasper
Thornwell Child Development Center 201 W. Calhoun St., Clinton, SC 29325	(864) 938-2108	Laurens
Bishopville Lee Child Care Mailing: P.O. Box 521, Bishopville, SC 29010 Physical: 118 E. College St., Bishopville, SC 29010	(803) 484-6800	Lee
Little Wizard Child Development Center 3710 Camden Hwy., Bishopville, SC 29010	(803) 428-3901	Lee
Lynchburg-Elliott Child Development Mailing: P.O. Box 27, Lynchburg, SC 29080 Physical: 101 McIntosh St., Lynchburg, SC 29080	(803) 437-2447	Lee
La Petite Academy 4027 Platt Springs Road, West Columbia, SC 29170	(803) 755-9449	Lexington
Midland's Elite Gymnastics Academy 3630 Augusta Hwy., Gilbert, SC 29054	(803) 892-4496	Lexington
Agapeland Day Care Center Mailing: P.O. Box 1806, Marion, SC 295711 Physical: 304 Huggins St./613 Dunlop St., Marion, SC 29571	(843) 423-2077	Marion
Kids Konnection Mailing: P.O. Box 1376, Marion, SC 29571 Physical: 500 McEachern Heights, Marion, SC 29571	(843) 423-6174	Marion
Little Promises Learning Center Mailing: P.O. Box 765, Mullins, SC 29574 Physical: 4508 E. Hwy. 76, Mullins, SC 29574	(843) 464-4002	Marion
McGill's Bundles of Joy Mailing: P.O. Box 1872, Marion, SC 29571 Physical: 608 Dunlop Ext., Marion, SC 29571	(843) 423-6561	Marion
Troy-Johnson Learning Corner 106 Gapway St., Mullins, SC 29574	(843) 464-8565	Marion
Pee Dee CAP Head Start-McMillan Mailing: 1401 W. Evans St., Florence, SC 29501 Physical: 408 McMillan St., Marion, SC 29571	(843) 423-9550	Marion
Pee Dee CAP Head Start (Mullins) Mailing: 1401 W. Evans St., Florence, SC 29501 Physical: 338 Academy St., Mullins, SC 29574	(843) 464-8200	Marion
Pee Dee CAP Head Start-Nichols Center Mailing: 1401 W. Evans St., Florence, SC 29501 Physical: 406 Old Stage Road, Nichols, SC 29581	(843) 526-2670	Marion

Pee Dee CAP Head Start-Springville Center Mailing: 1401 W. Evans St., Florence, SC 29501 Physical: 2513 Springville Road, Marion, SC 29571	(843) 423-7593	Marion
Back to Basics Learning Center 1390 Springdale St., Orangeburg, SC 29115	(803) 535-2044	Orangeburg
Happyland Child Development 335 Murray Road, Orangeburg, SC 29115	(803) 533-1281	Orangeburg
Kiddie Kollege of Orangeburg 2436 Russell St., Orangeburg, SC 29115	(803) 536-5924	Orangeburg
Kids 2000 Kindergarten & Learning Mailing: P.O. Box 2496, Orangeburg, SC 29115 Physical: 1064 Ellis Ave., Orangeburg, SC 29115	(803) 533-0334	Orangeburg
Kids in Motion Day Care Center 2371 Russell St., Orangeburg, SC 29115	(803) 531-9447	Orangeburg
SC State University Child Development/Learning Center Mailing: P.O. Box 7188, Orangeburg, SC 29117 Physical: 300 College St., Orangeburg, SC 29117	(803) 536-7150	Orangeburg
ABC Academy 405 N. Wise Road, Saluda, SC 29138	(864) 445-7999	Saluda
Graham's Enhancement Mailing: P.O. Box 1236, Kingstree, SC 29556 Physical: 1384 Eastland Ave., Kingstree, SC 29556	(843) 382-2115	Williamsburg
Kindale Park Day Care 1185 Kindale Park Road, Kingstree, SC 29556	(843) 382-3667	Williamsburg
Little Miss Muffet Day Care Mailing and Physical: 1006 Wilkerson St., Kingstree, SC 29556	(843) 355-7013	Williamsburg
Nesmith Community Day Care 2774 Turkey Creek Road, Nesmith, SC 29580	(843) 382-3241	Williamsburg
Wilson's Daycare and Learning Center 501 Lawrence Street, Kingstree, SC 29556	(843) 354-6270	Williamsburg
Tender Bear's Daycare and Learning Center Mailing: P.O. Box 263, Greeleyville, SC 29056 Physical: 23 Singleton Lane, Greeleyville, SC 29056	(843) 426-2088	Williamsburg
Doodle Bug Academy 4400 N. Williamsburg County Hwy., Lake City, SC 29560	(843) 210-7529	Williamsburg

South Carolina First Steps to School Readiness is a comprehensive, results-oriented statewide education initiative to help prepare children to reach school healthy and ready to succeed. Public and private support are combined through county partnerships to enable individual communities to address the unmet needs of young children and their families.

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