



## **ABOUT OUR GREAT START READINESS PROGRAM**

The Ecorse Public School District's Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) is housed in Ralph J Bunche Academy. It is a tuition-free program funded by the state of Michigan for children who turn 4 years old by September 1 of the current school year. Children who are enrolled in our program must meet required eligibility criteria determined by the state of Michigan. We serve families in Ecorse and the surrounding communities. Transportation is provided for some local areas.

Our Great Start Readiness Program has four (4) classrooms with eighteen (18) children and three adults in each. Children attend Monday through Thursday, 8:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Breakfast, lunch and snack meals are provided and served family style in the classroom. Our program offers free field trips, fun family activities and parent workshops. Many resources are provided, i.e. dental cleaning, immunizations, hearing and vision screening at no cost to families.

Our GSRP program uses the HighScope® Curriculum, a renowned, research-based, early childhood curriculum. The HighScope® Preschool Curriculum helps young children excel in language and cognitive learning and also promotes independence, curiosity, decision-making, cooperation, persistence, creativity, and problem solving – the fundamental skills that help determine success in adult life.

Research on preschool programs and specific research on GSRP indicates that children provided with a high-quality preschool experience show significant positive developmental differences when compared to children from the same backgrounds who did not attend a high-quality preschool program. You don't want to miss the opportunity to enroll your child in our program.

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