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- **Head Start of Lane County** <https://www.hsolc.org/>
 - Head Start is another quality alternative for free preschool to those who apply, qualify and are placed into their program. Head Start programs promote school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children through the provision of educational, health, nutritional, social and other services to enrolled children and families. Head Start engages parents in their children's learning and helps parents in making progress toward their educational, literacy and employment goals.
 - **Early Head Start** (children 0-35 months – have not turned age 3 by Sept. 1st of the current enrollment year). Additionally, our Early Head Start program features a Prenatal Program that consists of home visits during your pregnancy to provide education and support.
 - **Head Start** (children 3-4 years of age by Sept. 1 of the current enrollment year). The focus is on kindergarten readiness, wellness, and social and emotional development.
 - **Head Start Full Day** – This program is designed for working or student families needing childcare for children ages 3 years to 5 years. Classes are five days a week in either a Head Start classroom or community childcare location.

- **Employment-Related Day Care program (ERDC)** <https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/ASSISTANCE/CHILD-CARE/Pages/index.aspx>
 - The Employment-Related Day Care program (ERDC) helps eligible families pay for child care while they are working. ERDC is a subsidy program, meaning eligible families still pay part of the child care cost.
 - ERDC also works with providers and other child care partners across the state to help families find and keep good child care, improve the availability of quality child care in Oregon, and to develop resources for parents and child care providers.

- **Early Childhood CARES (EC CARES)** <https://earlychildhoodcares.uoregon.edu/>
 - Early Childhood CARES provides free early childhood special education and early intervention for infants, toddlers, and preschool-age children who are eligible in Lane County.
 - Early Childhood CARES is looking for children ages 3 to 5 to join inclusive preschool classrooms with diverse learners. 541.346.2578 or 800.925.8694

- **Kids in Transition to School** www.kidsintransitiontoschool.org
 - Kids in Transition to School (KITS) is a FREE program to help parents and children get ready for kindergarten! Children attend school readiness groups this coming summer and parents attend workshops. Registration will open spring 2018 through the website.

- **LaneKids** www.lanekids.org
 - Find great parenting info, along with information about your local Family Resource Center. They are a great resource to reach out to. Locate activities to do with your kids and connect with resources across Lane County. LaneKids - we're Lane County's hub for parents!



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- **Local Public Libraries** <https://www.lanekids.org/reading-resources/lane-county-libraries/>
 - Your local library likely has many reading programs, events, and activities to help stimulate your child's brain development and help their reading! You can check out a list of the Lane County libraries with links to their pages and contact information here:
- **Family Resource Centers (FRCs)** <https://www.lanekids.org/family-resource-centers/>

FRCs bridge communities and schools to assist families in supporting their children's educational success. FRCs refer families to resources, provide basic needs supplies like food, clothing, and diapers, help families navigate the public school system, and provide parenting programming.
- **NAACP's Back to School/Success in School (BTS/SIS) Program**
<https://naacplanecounty.org/programs/back-to-school-stay-in-school-bts/>
 - The BTS/SIS program's mission is to increase the number of skilled and literate youth graduating from high school, by providing them with mentoring, tutoring, cultural activities and incentives for maintaining regular attendance, thus creating a more attractive approach to education. This program meets every Saturday from 10am-12pm at Lane Community College Downtown Campus on the 2nd floor. For more information, contact education@naacplanecounty.org or call 541-484-1119.

Sign up here:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf3LoRMrmPDrnvYLOApvgAeLzrZRS58P5K5yaF8eXMNA60DOQ/viewform#start=invite>
- **SMART (Start Making A Reader Today) Program with the Eugene/Springfield NAACP**
<https://naacplanecounty.org/programs/back-to-school-stay-in-school-bts/>
 - The Eugene/Springfield NAACP is partnering with the SMART (Start Making A Reader Today) program to offer one-on-one reading opportunities and books for elementary kids participating in NAACP's Back to School/Success in School program. This group meets from 10am-noon every Saturday!
 - To volunteer or sign a child up, visit the link above or contact the SMART Program Manager at 541-600-8035.
- **Dolly Parton's Imagination Library** <https://www.lanekids.org/imagination-library/>
 - Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program is a FREE book gifting program for families living in participating communities and have a child between ages 0-4. Children will receive an age-appropriate book through the mail each month until their child's 5th birthday, for FREE! To see if the program is available in your community and learn how to register, visit the LaneKids link above! (**Please note:** not available in all Lane County communities. It generally takes 6-9 weeks from the time you register until the first book is delivered.) For questions, please contact Michelle Sheng-Palmisano by email msheng@unitedwaylane.org or by phone at 541-741-6000, ext. 123.



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- **Downtown Languages Pilas Family Literacy Program** <https://downtownlanguages.org/outreach-programs/>
 - Downtown Languages offers the Pilas Literacy Program to Spanish-speaking families. The program, for families with children ages 0-13, offers pre-kindergarten readiness classes, K-8 reading curriculum and other academic support, family involvement activities, and English classes for parents. Child care is provided and Teenagers ages 14-17 can volunteer in the classroom. Families accepted into the program receive a full scholarship to attend.
- **Vroom** <http://www.joinvroom.org/>
 - New science tells us that our children's first years are when they develop the foundation for all future learning. Every time we connect with them, it's not just their eyes that light up – it's their brains too. We can't see it happening, but it's all there, all at work. That's why Vroom is here. Vroom turns shared moments into brain building moments. Whether it's mealtime, bath time, or anytime in between, there are always ways to nurture our children's growing minds.
- **Triple P** <http://www.lanekids.org/triplep/>
 - Triple P Online is an online learning program made up of sections, designed for parents of children up to 12 years of age. Triple P Online will not tell you how to parent your children. Rather, Triple P Online will outline a variety of strategies which you can adapt to your particular situation and challenges.
- **Brain Building in Oregon** www.brainbuildingoregon.com
 - The Brain Building in Oregon website helps promote brain building in children from birth to five years old. The site features 12 resources that are meant to serve as helpful examples for parents and caregivers who are supporting children and getting them ready for kindergarten.
- **Safe Families for Children of Lane County** <https://eugene.safe-families.org/>
 - Safe Families for Children surrounds families in crisis with caring, compassionate community. We are a volunteer-driven nonprofit that provides hope and support to families in our local communities. Safe Families for Children provides much needed support for parents in crisis, giving them time to get back on their feet while their children are cared for in a safe and loving environment.
- **211** <http://www.211.org/>
 - 211 is a national help hotline locally tailored to providing you with information on all kinds of local resources. You can call the number "211" or visit the website above.
- **United Way of Lane County's Resource Page** <https://www.unitedwaylane.org/resources-for-individuals>