

**Great Start  
Collaborative**

**Berrien  
County  
Preschools**



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Dear Berrien County Parents,

The Great Start Collaborative of Berrien County has put together this directory of Berrien County preschools, in hopes to help make the process of finding a preschool for your child easier.

This directory of preschools is meant to provide information and does not endorse or recommend any specific preschool or program. Any information in this directory is subject to change without notification.

### **What is the Great Start Collaborative and Parent Coalition?**

The Great Start Collaborative of Berrien County is a partnership of community leaders, business owners, charitable and faith-based organizations, health and human service agencies, educators, and parents. Together, these groups work to provide a network of resources that help families obtain services that will allow their children to succeed in every facet of their lives.

No one has more impact on a child than a parent. Parents provide “real world” perspectives on how programs really work for both their children and themselves. Their input is based on experience. The Great Start Parent Coalition serves as a “voice” for parents in Berrien County; assists in the building of public support for early childhood as an investment; strengthens the commitment of parents in the community on behalf of young children and participates in community service projects.

To learn more, please visit [www.greatstartberrien.org](http://www.greatstartberrien.org) or find us on Facebook - Berrien County Great Start Collaborative.

## Benton Harbor

**Name of Preschool:** Benton Harbor Charter School Academy  
Great Start Readiness Program

**Address:** 455 Riverview; Benton Harbor

**Phone Number:** 269-925-3807

**Website:** [www.bentonharborcharter.com](http://www.bentonharborcharter.com)

**Ages Served:** 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Thursday (full day)

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants

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**Name of Preschool:** Brookview School

**Address:** 501 Zollar Drive; Benton Harbor

**Phone Number:** 269-925-3544

**Website:** [www.brookviewschool.org](http://www.brookviewschool.org)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 6 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday – Friday (half day or full day)

**Curriculum:** Montessori

**Cost:** Call for tuition amount

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**Name of Preschool:** Benton Harbor Area Schools

Great Start Readiness Program

**Address:** 465 S McCord; Benton Harbor

**Phone Number:** 269-605-1600

**Website:** [www.bhas.org](http://www.bhas.org)

**Ages Served:** 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Thursday (full day)

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants

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**Name of Preschool:** Discovery Enrichment Center Head Start

**Address:** 465 S McCord; Benton Harbor

**Phone Number:** 269-757-0030

**Website:** [www.tricountyhs.org](http://www.tricountyhs.org)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Thursday (8am-1pm) - Virtual Available

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants

## Benton Harbor

**Name of Preschool:** Kidzone Preschool at Lake Michigan College

**Address:** 2755 E Napier Avenue; Benton Harbor

**Phone Number:** 269-927-6293

**Website:** [www.kidzoneonline.com/preschoolers.htm](http://www.kidzoneonline.com/preschoolers.htm)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Friday; full-time or part-time

**Curriculum:** Early Start/Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** Full Time (5 days/week - \$160); Part Time (\$7/hr)

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**Name of Preschool:** Readiness Center

**Address:** 347 Catalpa; Benton Harbor

**Phone Number:** 269-926-4084

**Website:** [www.readinesscenterinc.org](http://www.readinesscenterinc.org)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
(9:30 am - 11:30 am or 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm)

**Curriculum:** Center Created

**Cost:** Free with parent attendance

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**Name of Preschool:** Spinks Head Start

**Address:** 1720 S. Park; Benton Harbor

**Phone Number:** 269-944-1119

**Website:** [www.tricountyhs.org](http://www.tricountyhs.org)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Thursday (8am-1pm) - Virtual Available

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants

## Berrien Springs

**Name of Preschool:** Berrien Springs Public Schools

Great Start Readiness Program

**Address:** One Sylvester Avenue; Berrien Springs

**Phone Number:** 269-471-1836

**Website:** [www.homeoftheshamrocks.org/sylvester-elementary/](http://www.homeoftheshamrocks.org/sylvester-elementary/)

**Ages Served:** 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday – Thursday (full day and half day)

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants

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**Name of Preschool:** The Crayon Box Children’s Learning Center

**Address:** 8475 University Blvd; Berrien Springs

**Phone Number:** 269-471-3350

**Website:** [www.andrews.edu/services/crayonbox](http://www.andrews.edu/services/crayonbox)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Friday (full day); Flexible scheduling

**Curriculum:** Developmentally age appropriate curriculum

**Cost:** 20 - 25 hours/week - \$106; 26 - 29 hours/week - \$129; 30 - 35 hours/week - \$147; 36 - 39 hours/week - \$162; 40 - 45 hours/week - \$171; meals included in fees (under 20 hours, \$5.75/hr)

**DHS Subsidy Accepted:** Yes

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**Name of Preschool:** Trinity Lutheran Preschool

**Address:** 9123 George Avenue; Berrien Springs

**Phone Number:** 269-473-1811

**Website:** [www.trinityberrien.org](http://www.trinityberrien.org)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** 3 & 4 year olds - Monday, Wednesday, Friday (12:45 pm - 3:15 pm) or Tuesday, Thursday (12:45 pm - 3:15 pm); 4 & 5 year olds - Monday - Friday (8:45 am - 11:30 am)

**Curriculum:** Houghton Mifflin

**Cost:** 3 & 4 year olds – M,W,F = \$140/month or T,TH = \$95/month

4 & 5 year olds - \$190/month

**DHS Subsidy Accepted:** Not for preschool

## Bridgman

**Name of Preschool:** Great Start Readiness Program at Immanuel Lutheran Early Childhood Development Center

**Address:** 9650 N Church Street; Bridgman

**Phone Number:** 269-465-6031

**Website:** <http://immanuelbridgman.org/preschool/>

**Ages Served:** 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday – Thursday (full day) hours are 8:00-3:10

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants

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**Name of Preschool:** Immanuel Lutheran Early Childhood Development Center

**Address:** 9650 N Church Street; Bridgman

**Phone Number:** 269-465-6031

**Website:** <http://www.immanuelbridgman.org/>

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** 3 Year old program Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8:30-11:00

4 Year old program Monday thru Friday 8:15-11:15

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** Cost: \$100.00 Registration Fee

3 Year old cost per month for private pay \$125.00

4 Year old cost per month for private pay \$230.00

If enrolled full time in childcare preschool is calculated into your weekly rate.

3's \$185.00

4's \$195.00

## Buchanan

**Name of Preschool:** Buchanan Community Schools Great Start Readiness Program

**Address:** 109 Ottawa St; Buchanan

**Phone Number:** 269-695-8409

**Website:** [www.buchananschools.com](http://www.buchananschools.com)

**Ages Served:** 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday – Thursday (half day)

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants

## Coloma

**Name of Preschool:** Coloma Community Schools  
Great Start Readiness Program

**Address:** 262 South West Street; Coloma

**Phone Number:** 269-468-2420

**Website:** [www.ccs.coloma.org](http://www.ccs.coloma.org)

**Ages Served:** 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday – Thursday (full day)

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants

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**Name of Preschool:** Salem Lutheran Preschool

**Address:** 275 Marvin, PO Box 729; Coloma

**Phone Number:** 269-468-6567

**Email:** [salem\\_lcms@comcast.net](mailto:salem_lcms@comcast.net)

**Ages Served:** 3 – 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** 3 year olds – Tuesday, Thursday (8:15 am – 11:45 am);

4 year olds – Monday, Wednesday, Friday (8:15 am – 11:45 am)

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** 3 year olds - \$100/month; 4 year olds -\$145/month

## Eau Claire

**Name of Preschool:** Eau Claire Public Schools Great Start Readiness Program

**Address:** 6238 W Main; Eau Claire

**Phone Number:** 269-461-6191

**Website:** [www.eauclaireps.com/preschool](http://www.eauclaireps.com/preschool)

**Ages Served:** 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Thursday (full day)

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants

## New Buffalo

**Name of Preschool:** The Bison Beginners

**Address:** 12291 Lubke Road; New Buffalo

**Phone Number:** 269-469-6011

**Ages Served:** 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Friday (am or pm or all)

Public Schools PreK Program for New Buffalo Students

**Cost:** Free

**Name of Preschool:** New Buffalo Early Head Start Center at St. Mary's of the Lake

**Address:** 704 W. Merchant St., New Buffalo, MI 49117

**Phone Number:** 269-586-3921

**Website:** [www.tricountyhs.org](http://www.tricountyhs.org)

**Ages Served:** 0-3 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Thursday (8am-1pm) - Virtual Available

**Curriculum:** High Scope

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants



## Niles

**Name of Preschool:** Brandywine Community Schools  
Great Start Readiness Program

**Address:** 1620 LaSalle Avenue; Niles

**Phone Number:** 269-684-6511

**Website:** [www.brandywine.merritt.schoolfusion.us](http://www.brandywine.merritt.schoolfusion.us)

**Ages Served:** 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday – Thursday (full day)

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants

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**Name of Preschool:** YMCA Greater Michiana Great Start Readiness Program

**Address:** 2020 N 5th Street; Niles

**Phone Number:** 269-683-1982

**Website:** [www.ymcagm.org/child-care/great-start-readiness-program](http://www.ymcagm.org/child-care/great-start-readiness-program)

**Ages Served:** 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday – Thursday (half day or full day)

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost for eligible participants

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**Name of Preschool:** Niles Head Start at Bell

**Address:** 1830 South Third; Niles

**Phone Number:** 800-792-0366

**Website:** [www.tricountyhs.org](http://www.tricountyhs.org)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Thursday (8am-1pm) - Virtual Available

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost for eligible participants

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**Name of Preschool:** Niles Head Start at Brandywine

**Address:** 2428 South 13th Street; Niles

**Phone Number:** 269-684-6010

**Website:** [www.tricountyhs.org](http://www.tricountyhs.org)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Thursday (8am-1pm) - Virtual Available

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost for eligible participants

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**Name of Preschool:** Presbyterian Preschool

**Address:** 13 S Fourth Street; Niles

**Phone Number:** 269-683-7600

**Website:** [www.firstpresofniles.org/weekday-preschool/](http://www.firstpresofniles.org/weekday-preschool/)

**Ages Served:** 3-5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** 3 and young 4 year olds - Tuesday, Thursday (9:00 am - 11:00 am); 4 - 5 year olds - Monday, Wednesday, Friday (9:00 am - 11:30 am)

**Cost:** 3 and young 4 year olds - \$85/month; 4 and 5 year olds - \$95/month

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**Name of Preschool:** St. Mary's Preschool

**Address:** 217 S Lincoln Avenue; Niles

**Phone Number:** 269-683-9191

**Website:** [www.stmarysschoolniles.org](http://www.stmarysschoolniles.org)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Cost:** 2 half days/month – \$150.50, 3 half days – \$163.35, 5 half days - \$216.70

2 full days/month - \$198, 3 full days - \$253, 5 full days - \$323.40

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**Name of Preschool:** The Children's Center

**Address:** 210 Main Street; Niles

**Phone Number:** 269-683-0405

**Website:** [www.Nileskids.com](http://www.Nileskids.com)

**Ages Served:** 2 1/2 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Friday

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum, Zoo Phonics, GSRP (full day)

**Cost:** Please call for pricelist; free preschool for eligible participants

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## Sawyer

**Name of Preschool:** Precious in His Sight Child Care Center

**Address:** 5791 Sawyer Road; Sawyer

**Phone Number:** 269-426-3151

**Website:** [www.trinitylutheransawyer.com](http://www.trinitylutheransawyer.com)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** 2 or 3 day (9:00 am - 11:30 am) and 5 day Mon & Wed 9:00 - 3:30, Fri is 9:00 - 11:30

**Curriculum:** Zoo Phonics Plus

**Cost:** 2 days - \$100/month; 3 days - \$150/month; 5 days - \$200/month

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**Name of Preschool:** Sawyer Head Start

**Address:** 5791 Sawyer Road; Sawyer

**Phone Number:** 269-426-4400

**Website:** [www.tricountyhs.org](http://www.tricountyhs.org)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Thursday (8am-1pm) - Virtual Available

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants

## St. Joseph

**Name of Preschool:** Building Blocks Preschool at Benton Harbor/St. Joseph YMCA

**Address:** 3665 Hollywood Road; St. Joseph

**Phone Number:** 269-428-9622

**Website:** <https://www.ymcagm.org/preschool>

**Ages Served:** 2 1/2 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Age 3 - Tuesday, Thursday (8:45 am - 11:45 pm); Age 4 - Tuesday, Thursday (8:45 am - 11:55 pm); Monday, Wednesday, Friday (8:45 am - 11:55 am) Age 5 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday (8:45 am - 1:25 pm)

**Cost:** Age 3 - Member \$170, Non-Member \$275; Age 4 - Member \$170, Non-Member \$275 or Member \$215, Non-Member \$305; Age 5 - Member \$290, Non-Member \$355

Swim Fee May Apply for ages 3-5.

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**Name of Preschool:** First Church of God Preschool

**Address:** 2627 Niles Road; St. Joseph

**Phone Number:** 269-983-1816

**Website:** [www.myfirstchurch.com/preschool](http://www.myfirstchurch.com/preschool)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Age 3 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday (am or pm) or Tuesday, Thursday (am or pm)

Age 4 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday (am or pm); Tuesday, Thursday (am or pm); Monday - Friday (8:45 am - 11:15 am);

Pre K - Monday - Friday (am or pm); Monday, Wednesday, Friday (am or pm); Tuesday, Thursday (am or pm)

**Curriculum:** Zoo-Phonics for Pre K/Child Centered for 3s & 4s

**Cost:** 2 Day - \$120/month; 3 day - \$155/month; 5 day - \$275/month

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**Name of Preschool:** Grace Lutheran Preschool

**Address:** 404 E Glenlord Rd; St. Joseph

**Phone Number:** 269-429-4951

**Website:** <https://www.gracestjoseph.org/early-childhood>

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Age 3 - Tuesday, Thursday (9:00 am - 11:30 am); Age 4 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday (9:00 am - 11:30 am); Young Fives - Monday - Friday 12:30 pm - 3:20 pm)

**Cost:** Age 3 - \$135/month; Age 4 - \$155/month; Age 5 - \$195/month

## St. Joseph

**Name of Preschool:** Great Lakes Montessori

**Address:** 3084 Niles Road; St. Joseph

**Phone Number:** 269-556-0354

**Website:** [www.greatlakesmontessori.com](http://www.greatlakesmontessori.com)

**Ages Served:** 2 1/2 - 6 year olds

**Days/Hours:** 2-5 half days/ 2-5 full days

**Curriculum:** Montessori (Extras: Spanish as a Second Language, Spalding (Advanced Language Program), Music and Summer Camp programs

**Cost:** call for pricing

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**Name of Preschool:** Lake Michigan Catholic Elementary School

**Address:** 3165 Washington Avenue; St. Joseph

**Phone Number:** 269-429-0227

**Website:** [www.lmclakers.com](http://www.lmclakers.com)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Age 3 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday (8:00 am - 10:40 am) or Monday - Friday (8:00 am - 10:40 am); Age 4 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday (8:00 am - 10:40 am) or Monday - Friday (8:00 am - 10:40 am)

**Curriculum:** State of Michigan Curriculum Guidelines

**Cost:** call for pricing

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**Name of Preschool:** Peace Boulevard KinderCare

**Address:** 219 Peace Blvd; St. Joseph

**Phone Number:** 269-408-0001

**Website:** <https://www.kindercare.com/>

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**Name of Preschool:** Trinity Lutheran Early Childhood Center

**Address:** 613 Court Street; St. Joseph

**Phone Number:** 269-983-0040

**Website:** [www.trinitystjoe.org](http://www.trinitystjoe.org)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Age 3 - Tuesday, Thursday (8:00 am - 11:15 am);

Age 4 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday (8:00 am - 11:15 am);

Age 5 - Monday - Friday optional (8:00 am - 11:15 am) / full day optional

**Cost:** Two day - \$136; Three day - \$170; 5 day - \$202; 5 day (full day) - \$244

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**Name of Preschool:** The Children's Center

**Address:** 1000 Miners Road; St. Joseph

**Phone Number:** 888-926-0405

**Ages Served:** 2 1/2 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Friday

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum, Zoo Phonics, GSRP (full day)

**Cost:** Please call for pricelist; free preschool for eligible participants

**Name of Preschool:** Witheral School Day Care

**Address:** 3419 Hollywood; St. Joseph

**Phone Number:** 269-429-5400

Children of all ages in child care participate in preschool curriculum.

## Stevensville

**Name of Preschool:** Christ Lutheran Preschool  
**Address:** 4333 Cleveland Avenue; Stevensville  
**Phone Number:** 269-429-7111  
**Website:** [www.christ-luth.org](http://www.christ-luth.org)  
**Ages Served:** 4 year olds  
**Days/Hours:** Monday - Friday (8:15 am – 10:45 am)  
**Curriculum:** Creative Hands on Tactile & Sensory Program  
**Cost:** \$150 registration fee; \$222/month

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**Name of Preschool:** St. Paul's Lutheran Preschool  
**Address:** 2673 W John Beers Road; Stevensville  
**Phone Number:** 269-429-1546  
**Website:** [www.stpaulswels.org](http://www.stpaulswels.org)  
**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds  
**Days/Hours:** Age 3 - Tuesday, Thursday (8:15 am - 11:00 am); Age 4 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday (8:15 am - 11:00 am); Age 5 – Monday through Thursday (12:15 pm - 3:00 pm)  
**Curriculum:** Center Created  
**Cost:** Age 3 - \$120/month; Age 4 - \$140/month; Age 5 - \$180/month

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**Name of Preschool:** Stevensville United Methodist Church Children's Center  
**Address:** 5506 Ridge Road; Stevensville  
**Phone Number:** 269-429-1069  
**Website:** [www.stevensville-umc.org/childrens-center/preschool](http://www.stevensville-umc.org/childrens-center/preschool)  
**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds  
**Days/Hours:** Age 3 & 4 - Tuesday, Thursday (8:45 am - 11:45 am); Age 4 & 5 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday (8:45 am - 11:45 am)  
**Curriculum:** Zoo Phonics  
**Cost:** Age 3 & 4 - \$100/month; Age 4 & 5 - \$130/month

## Watervliet

**Name of Preschool:** Grace Christian School

**Address:** 325 N M-140; Watervliet

**Phone Number:** 269-463-5545

**Website:** [www.gcspatriots.org](http://www.gcspatriots.org)

**Ages Served:** 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Full-time: Monday - Friday (8:00 am - 3:00 pm)

**Cost:** Full-time (Monday - Friday): \$5,000/year

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**Name of Preschool:** Watervliet Head Start and Early Head Start

**Address:** 188 Lucinda Lane, Watervliet

**Phone Number:** 269-201-7247

**Website:** [www.tricountyhs.org](http://www.tricountyhs.org)

**Ages Served:** 0-3, 3 - 5 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Thursday (8am-1pm) - Virtual Available)

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** Free to migrant families who make agriculture their primary income

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**Name of Preschool:** Watervliet Public Schools Great Start Readiness Program

**Address:** 287 Baldwin Ave; Watervliet

**Phone Number:** 269-463-0820

**Ages Served:** 4 year olds

**Days/Hours:** Monday - Thursday (full day)

**Curriculum:** Creative Curriculum

**Cost:** No cost to eligible participants

