

# EARLY CHILDHOOD *(birth—12 yrs.)*

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## Great Start Collaborative & Early Childhood Work Group 467-5473

### Families

#### Parenting & Advocating

**Children's Trauma Assessment Group**  
CTAG2014@gmail.com

**Community Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services**  
467-1000  
*Family therapy, case management, infant mental health, autism screening*

See [Parent Resources page # 22](#)

#### Health and Nutrition

**BHSJ Community Health Agency**  
269-273-2161  
*WIC, Immunizations, Peer breastfeeding supports*

**Covered Bridge Healthcare**  
269-467-3228

**MSU Extension**  
269-467-5666

**Three Rivers Health Nutritional Counseling**  
269-278-1145 ext 311

**Safe Sleep Info & Resources**  
Great Start Collaborative  
269-467-5473

Your Pediatrician or Family Doctor

#### Preschool Enrollment

[stjosephcountypreschool.org](http://stjosephcountypreschool.org)

**Community Action Head Start/ Early Head Start/GSRP**  
269-965-7766 or 877-422-2726

**Childcare- Early Head Start**  
269-467-5400

**Great Start Readiness Program**  
269-467-5400

**Private Preschool**  
[www.GreatStartToQuality.org](http://www.GreatStartToQuality.org)

#### Childcare

**Early Head Start Childcare-(0-4yrs)**

269-467-5400

[stjosephcountypreschool.org](http://stjosephcountypreschool.org)

**List of Licensed Providers**  
[www.greatstarttoquality.org](http://www.greatstarttoquality.org)

**Financial Assistance**  
Department of Health and Human Services  
[www.mibridges.michigan.gov](http://www.mibridges.michigan.gov)  
269-467-1200

**Information**  
Child Care Resources  
[www.ccr4kids.org](http://www.ccr4kids.org)  
800-343-3470/269-349-3296

#### Developmental Concerns

**Early On (birth- 3yrs)**  
269-467-5400

**St. Joseph County (ages 4+) Intermediate School District**  
269-467-5400

**Great Lakes Center for Autism Treatment & Research (ages 2-21yrs)**  
Portage & Galesburg  
269-250-8200

### Childcare Providers

#### Licensing

**Child Care Licensing**  
[www.michigan.gov/michildcare](http://www.michigan.gov/michildcare)  
Already licensed 269-615-5617  
Wanting to become licensed 866-685-0006

**Great Start to Quality**  
[Greatstarttoquality.org/educators](http://Greatstarttoquality.org/educators)

#### Professional Development and Quality Improvement

**Child Care Resources**  
800-343-3470

**Great Start to Quality**  
[Greatstarttoquality.org/educators](http://Greatstarttoquality.org/educators)

#### Kindergarten Enrollment

Call the School District in which you live for round up info.

Diaper Banks see [PARENT RESOURCES page # 22](#)  
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### Community

#### Volunteer Opportunities

**Great Start Parent Coalition**  
269-467-5473

**Community Action**  
Foster Grandparent Program  
269-965-7768

#### Information & Data

**Early Childhood**  
269-467-5400

**Great Start Collaborative**  
269-467-5473

#### Basic Needs

**Department of Health and Human Services**  
[www.mibridges.michigan.gov](http://www.mibridges.michigan.gov)  
269-467-1200

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