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2025 Arkansas Head Start Association/ Head Start State Collaboration Office Institute



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School Readiness Summit

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State Collaboration Office, 501-371-0740
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Call for Papers

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June 23-24, 2025 & November 3-5, 2025

The Arkansas Head Start Association and Head Start State Collaboration Office voted to use a different approach and format for our annual institute for 2025 due to the expense of hotels. The Head Start Annual Institute will be split into two-time frames.

Therefore, the Call for Papers will focus on the following five content areas for June:

1. The Final Rule-Head Start Program Performance Standards (Mental Health, Salaries, Wage Parity, etc.)
2. Office of Early Childhood Leads
3. Positive Behavior Support
4. Change with a focus on Policies and Procedures
5. Racial Equity: Innovative Ways to Address Individuality and Make it Work for your Program

November Content Focus Areas:

1. Trauma Informed Care
2. Systems and Services
3. Building Support Systems
4. Health Services/Children with Disabilities
5. Racial Equity in Quality Programs

Please join us for the 2025 Head Start Annual Institute!

We are asking that your proposals address any ten of these content areas. Each session will be 2 hours in length. Please complete the call for papers online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/H9HNV6N> before **February 15, 2025**. Please include the session title, session description, presenter, name, co-presenter name (if applicable), position title, contact information, credentials, and a short bio. Two presenters will receive free registration. Thank you!





Registration and Hotel Information

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The Arkansas Head Start Association invites you to participate in the **2025 Arkansas Head Start Association/Head Start State Collaboration Office Institute** to be held:



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Registration Fees:

One-Day Registration (Mon or Tue)	\$140.00
Early Bird Registration (before 03/01/2025)	\$180.00
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One-Day Registration (Tue or Wed)	\$140.00
Early Bird Registration (before 08/01/2025)	\$180.00
Pre-Registration (after 08/01/2025)	\$280.00

School Readiness Summit Registration
\$85.00

To make hotel room reservations, please call:

Cobblestone Inn & Suites:



501-825-3046
\$120 per night
100 Lost Creek Parkway,
Fairfield Bay, AR 72088

VIP Condo Club Wyndham Resort:



877-504-5368
110 Village Lane
Fairfield Bay, AR



Exhibitor Application Information

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The Arkansas Head Start Association invites you to participate as an exhibitor at the 2025 Arkansas Head Start Association/Head Start State Collaboration Office Institute. This year the institute will be split into two events to be held **June 23-24, 2025, and November 3-5, 2025** at the Fairfield Bay Conference Center, 110 Lost Creek Parkway, Fairfield Bay, Arkansas 72088. We anticipate over 300 participants. Invitations have been submitted to Early Head Start, Head Start, EHS-Child Care Partnerships, Migrant-Seasonal Head Start grantees, National/State Partners, and other organizations.

An exhibit fee of \$130 per booth will be charged for each event. If you would like to participate as an exhibitor at both events the charge will be \$250. The exhibit areas will be announced in the confirmation. With a minimum number of booths available, it is of the utmost importance that your application to exhibit along with the exhibit fee, made payable to the Arkansas Head Start Association, be returned by **February 15, 2025**.

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Information for June 23-24, 2025

LIABILITY: The exhibitor assumes the entire responsibility for losses, damages, and claims arising out of injury or damage of the exhibitors displays, equipment, and other property brought upon the premises of the hotel and shall indemnify and hold harmless the Arkansas Head Start Association and the university and any authorized representative agent or employee of the foregoing of any and all losses, damages, and claims.

CANCELLATIONS: If an exhibitor decides to cancel the reservation, 50% of the booth price will be refunded if a written request is received on or before **March 15, 2025**. After the date, no refunds of any space will be honored. Any space not claimed or occupied by **June 23, 2025 at 7:00 a.m.**, may be assigned by the Exhibits Committee Chairperson without refund of rental paid.

BOOTH: There will be one 6-foot draped table and two chairs provided within your designated space.

SET-UP AND DISMANTLING: Booth tables will be ready for you to setup your exhibit on **Sunday, June 22, 2025, from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm and Monday June 23, 2025 from 6:30 am-7:30 am**. Exhibitors must agree not to have any or part of their exhibits dismantled, packed, or removed before **June 24, 2025 at 12:00 pm**. **Exhibits must be broken down by 1:30 p.m.**

STORAGE: It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to arrange for shipment and storage of crates containing exhibit materials. Crates and boxes cannot be stored in the exhibit area during show hours.

SECURITY: The exhibit area will be locked for security purposes.

DRAYAGE: All costs will be assumed by the exhibitor.

Details for Setup and Dismantling for November 3-5, 2025 will be shared at a later date.