

# Tulare County Office of Education

*Jim Vidak, County Superintendent of Schools*

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## **For Immediate Release**

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## **Head Start centers accepting applications for migrant preschoolers and toddlers**

The Tulare County Office of Education Early Childhood Education Program (formerly known as the Child Care Educational Program) is currently accepting applications from migrant families with toddlers and preschoolers for enrollment at its Head Start-funded preschools.

Migrant families must be engaged in agricultural labor and have changed their residence from one geographical location to another in the preceding two-year period. To qualify, 51 percent or more of the family income must come from working in agriculture. That is defined as working in row or tree crops, alfalfa or other silage crops, nurseries, packing houses, and transportation from field to packing house.

Jim Vidak, county superintendent of schools, said the program is now accepting preschoolers who are between 2.10 and 4.9 years of age as of September 1, 2014 at the following centers:

### **Cutler Child Development Center**

Located behind Cutler School

12890 School Ave.

Cutler, CA 93615

(559) 528-1834

Supervisor: Jessie Reyes

### **Washington Child Development Center** (located at Washington School)

451 E. Samoa

Lindsay, CA 93247

(559) 562-1199

Supervisor: Maria Navarro

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## **Porterville Child Development Center**

254 W. Orange

Porterville, CA 93258

(559) 781-0145

Supervisor: Angie Angeles-Rodriguez

## **Market Street Child Development Center**

507 Market Street

Earlimart, CA 93219

(661) 849-2961

Supervisor: Irma Ceja

## **Richgrove Child Development Center**

20812 Grove Drive

Richgrove, CA 93261

(661) 725-0144

Supervisor: Sheila Hernandez

(Note: the Richgrove Center also accepts toddlers)

Families must meet income guidelines and other eligibility requirements. In addition to an education program, the centers also offer Head Start services including health, nutrition, special needs, and social services.

For more information, contact Connections for Quality Care at (559) 651-3026.

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