



## Universal Preschool (UPK) Colorado Family Applications Open January 17!

On January 17, 2023, families will be able to browse participating providers and submit applications for the 2023-24 school year.



Universal Preschool (UPK) Colorado allows families to choose the right setting for their child, whether it is in a licensed community-based, school-based or home-based preschool setting. Families applying to the **Akron Preschool** children 4 years old on/by **July 1, 2023** are able to apply for UPK Colorado for the 2023-24 school year beginning on January 17, 2023.

- **Akron Preschool Applicants** - Please note that as you make your preschool provider selection, your student must be four years old on/by July 1, 2023. Children will only be allowed to utilize UPK funding for one year as a four year old.
- If you would like your child to attend the [Akron Preschool](#) and your child's birthday falls between July 2, 2023 and September 30, 2023, do not apply until contacting Pam Kage at [pkage@eccywk.org](mailto:pkage@eccywk.org) for assistance with your application.

Many programs are hosting events for families to support their application process. If you are not currently connected to a program, reach out to the program(s) you are interested in attending or the Local Coordinating Organization (LCO) for your area for more information/support. The LCO for Yuma, Washington and Kit Carson Counties is the Early Childhood Council for Yuma, Washington and Kit Carson Counties. You may contact Pam Kage [pkage@eccywk.org](mailto:pkage@eccywk.org) for questions or support in the application process. The online application is available in Spanish and the council offers family assistance in Spanish.

**The application link is <http://upk.colorado.gov> and will be available Jan. 17, 2023. Income verification will need to be uploaded at the time of application.**

**Please continue to follow our district communications for updates.**

Please note that the current Akron School District Preschool Enrollment policy expires in May of 2023. A new policy that aligns with Universal Preschool statute will be developed for the 2023/2024 academic school year.

