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**Apply To NC Pre-Kindergarten Today: Slots Still Available!**



Anson County Partnership for Children is accepting applications for NC Pre-K, a Kindergarten readiness initiative that is proven to help four-year-olds gain basic skills needed for success in elementary school. Children who are four years of age before August 31, 2017, are eligible to apply for this high-quality program, which is free to qualifying families.

"Pre-K is a place where children learn skills that are vital to child development. NC Pre-K children learn how to socialize, make their own decisions, and interact with others. These are all important skills to child development. To make the transition to Kindergarten easier, children learn eye contact, gain self-confidence, develop work efficiency, create a stronger attention span, and work on temper control," said Karen Gerald, Child Care Services Coordinator, Anson County Partnership for Children.

Not only are children who attended Pre-K more successful in school, they usually have higher grade point averages and are more likely to graduate high school and college.

NC Pre-K classes operate on a regular school calendar and are designed to address emotional and social development, physical health, language development, and cognitive functioning. Through the incorporation of indoor and outdoor learning environments, students participate in active learning experiences to foster a lifetime love of learning.

A high priority is placed on serving children who meet the following criteria: child's family is at or below 75% of the state median income level, a disability has been identified, limited English proficiency, developmental differences, chronic health conditions, or a parent who is active military service personnel.

There are currently four centers operating NC Pre-K classes in Anson County. These classes are located at Anson Children's Center, Central Center for Children and Families, Morven Elementary School, and Open Doors Center for Children. Parents or guardians interested in learning more about the NC Pre-K program should contact Karen Gerald at 704-694-4036 (Ext. 105) or [karen.gerald@ansonchildren.org](mailto:karen.gerald@ansonchildren.org). Applications are available in the Partnership's Early Childhood Resource Center located at 117 South Greene St. Wadesboro or online at [www.ansonchildren.org](http://www.ansonchildren.org).

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High school seniors around the area will be getting their diplomas soon and for those starting college in the fall, the question of how to pay for tuition is looming. A sudden offer of a grant or scholarship can look like a dream come true. But it's not uncommon for scammers to try to take advantage of a situation like this by requiring upfront "fees" that never materialize into the actual funds needed.

Not surprisingly, the Better Business Bureau starts to receive more reports of college scholarship scams this time of year. The details vary, but the gist is usually the same: someone claims to represent the government, a university or a non-profit organization and they offer you money that they don't intend to pay out. They use words like "National" and "Federal" in an attempt to sound more official and pose as a financial aid representative. In one version of this scam, they claim you've won a scholarship or grant and ask for a "one-time processing fee" to secure the funds. In another, they pressure you into applying for a "guaranteed" scholarship or grant, which requires an application fee. In these cases, you might pay the fee, but you never receive the promised money.

In yet another scenario, you receive a check for the scholarship and are instructed to send payment for taxes or fees. The check turns out to be fake and again, you're out the money you provided. Be aware that a check can bounce even after your bank allows you to withdraw cash from the deposit. It sometimes takes weeks for it to be detected as fake, but you will almost certainly still be on the hook for any funds drawn against the amount.

It's not hard to spot these types of scams if you know what to look for. It's generally free to apply for scholarships so any request for an upfront fee should be seen as a red flag. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the only application that determines eligibility for all federal programs and you can complete and submit it for free.

Additionally, unsolicited offers should also raise a red flag. You typically can't win a scholarship or grant that you didn't apply for. When in doubt, ask how the organization got your name and then verify it directly with the source.

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**With tuition bills on the horizon, Better Business Bureau sees an increase in phony scholarships**



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**Community Resource Festival this Friday**

There will be a Community Resource Festival featuring many agencies and organizations that offer services and programs for citizens of Anson County. The event will be held this Friday, June 23 at Peaches n' Cream in Wadesboro, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. It is sponsored by Sandhills Behavioral Center.

This festival is designed with the purpose of making the residents of Anson County aware of the resources they have available to them in our community.

There will also be inflatables, face painting and balloons for the children. Sandhills Behavioral Center will provide hot dogs, chips and drinks for the first 200 attendees starting at 12 noon.

Among the participants are Sandhills Behavioral Center, Anson County Agriculture Extension Office, Anson County Partnership for Children, Anson County Department of Social Services, Anson County Domestic Violence Coalition, NC Works, NC Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Union County Community Action, Anson Crisis Center, Burnsville Recreation & Learning Center, Union/Anson Habitat, Head Start, Anson Baptist Association, HOPE Ministries, Grace Senior Center, SPCC and Bea's Day Program.

Peaches n' Cream is located at 2735 Highway 74 West in Wadesboro, just past Carolinas Health-Care System Anson.

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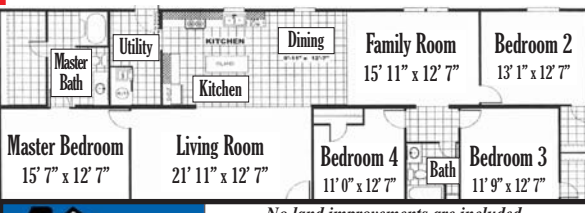
**Public Budget Meeting**

The Town of Morven's Town Council will hold a public hearing for the 2017-2018 Budget on Friday, June 30th at 4 p.m. in the Morven Town Hall, 301 East Main Street, Morven, NC 28119.

Citizens are encouraged to attend the meeting and make oral or written comments.

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**FULL & PART-TIME MAINTENANCE POSITION**

The Town of Morven is accepting applications to fill the position for Full-Time and Part-Time Maintenance.

Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED, possess a driver's license with a good driving record, pass a drug test, and criminal background.

Duties include but are not limited to reading water meters, fixing leaks, and checking sewer pump stations. Any mechanical, electrical, and plumbing experience will be helpful in determining the desired applicant.

Applications must be received by July 7, 2017, at 4 p.m. They can be picked up at Morven Town Hall between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. No Phone Calls Please.

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