

**McCormick
County
First Steps Focus**

Family Strengthening

A parent is a child's first and best teacher.

Parenting

Group support with optional models for home visitation and fatherhood

Early Education

Quality preschool opportunities set the stage for success in school.

School Transition

Preparing children and parents for a successful transition into full-day kindergarten.

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*All preschool aged
children in McCormick
County will have the
same opportunities to
reach their full potential*

McCormick County First Steps—Programs

Nurturing Parenting Designed to empower individuals and families with new knowledge, beliefs, strategies, and skills to make good and healthy lifestyle choices with home visitation and group based parenting groups through prevention education, prevention intervention, and comprehensive programs.

Child Care Scholarships

provide financial help to eligible parents with child care expenses to enable parents to work or attend school.



Early Education for Children Under 4 provides quality child care for infants and toddlers. Certified child care providers use curriculum to support the successful development of the children in the McCormick County School of Early Education.

Library Based Literacy is a partnership with McCormick County Library that improves children's literacy skills through stories, music, songs, rhymes, and art projects. These activities are designed to develop pre-reading skills in the young children that we serve.

Dolly Parton Imagination

Library sends a free, age-appropriate book monthly to each child at their home, from enrollment until the child turns 5 years old.

Countdown to Kindergarten supports strong school transitions by connecting rising kindergartners, families, and teachers in a series of one-on-one visits during the summer.

