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# Preschool Expansion:

## What does it mean?



### Preschool Expansion

#### Planning Grant:

#### A Collaboration of Educators from

Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District,  
Monomoy Regional School District,  
Private and Public Preschool Educators,  
and Social Agencies in  
Dennis, Yarmouth, Chatham, & Harwich  
and villages within these communities

#### Website:

[www.capecodcollaborative.org/Projects](http://www.capecodcollaborative.org/Projects)

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### What is a “mixed delivery” model?

A “mixed-delivery” model is also one in which...

- All preschools are high-quality, licensed and coordinate with local public schools, K-3 program;
- All preschool education programs are aligned with MA Early Childhood Guidelines, Standards for Social/Emotional Development, and the Approaches to Play & Learning Standards;
- Educators in all public and private preschools receive comparable professional development in training sessions that are open and available.

**This Grant Initiative has limited funding.  
It is for strategic planning only!**

**The Strategic Plan will present a model that may be feasible for implementation across the communities of the Dennis-Yarmouth and Monomoy Regional School Districts in coordination with public and private preschools within their geographic area.**

**There is no commitment on the part of the school districts or private preschools except to plan together at this time.**

**Funding and other issues will need to be resolved.**

We need your input.

We are now assessing needs across the area.

**We need to hear from you – families, community agencies, and all educators!**

Opportunities for input:

**April 7<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.**

Monomoy Early Childhood Council, Harwich  
Community Center, Playroom

**April 14<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

Dennis-Yarmouth Open Forum  
Station Avenue Elementary School, Library

**- June 14 - Open Event**

**Public Release of Proposed Strategic Plan  
for Expanded Preschool Opportunities  
Time and Location to be announced**

### Preschool expansion means...

**Increased opportunities and access for all children between the ages of 2.9 and 5 years to be able to attend a high-quality, licensed preschool.**

The Dennis-Yarmouth and Monomoy Regional School Districts, with the Cape Cod Collaborative, have received a grant to form partnerships across public schools and private preschools within the geographic area of these districts, including Cape Cod Child Development Program.



### What are the goals and purpose of this grant?

Goals:

- Expand access to licensed, high quality early childhood education for all 3 and 4 year olds
- Build and strengthen partnerships
  - across public & private preschools
  - across families and early childhood educators, including social agencies and public school districts
- Enhance professional development and training for all early childhood educators

Purpose:

- Develop and publish a comprehensive, Strategic Plan for all 3 & 4 years to have access to high quality, licensed early childhood education through a **mixed-delivery** model, preschools

### What is a “mixed delivery” model?

A “mixed-delivery” model is one that

- Provides early childhood education in both public and private preschool settings