



Mission: The Grays Harbor Early Learning Coalition promotes early learning as a community priority to ensure success in school, work and life.

what we do...

- Develop long-term early learning strategies, annual budgets, and work plans.
- Host and support community training and events.
- Coordinate grant proposals.
- Provide forums for information sharing, partnership, and collaboration.

Membership is free! Become a member to:

- Network.
- Stay informed.
- Get invited to local events.
- Spread awareness of your programs.
- Give or seek grant letters of support or contributions.
- Be part of a community of early childhood professionals.

MEET OUR MEMBERS

- Aberdeen School District Preschool Program
- ARC of Grays Harbor
- Behavioral Health Resources (BHR)
- Bezos Academy
- Catholic Community Services
- Child Care Action Council
- CHOICE
- CPWI Coalition - ESD 113
- Dads Move
- DCYF Dept. of Licensing
- DCYF Child Welfare Early Learning Liaison
- DCYF ECEAP (Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program)
- Elma School District
- Grays Harbor Community Foundation
- Grays Harbor College
- Grays Harbor County Public Health
- Greater Grays Harbor, Inc.
- Hoquiam School District
- Lake Quinalt School District - Preschool Program
- Learning to Grow Child Care
- Molina Healthcare
- Montesano School District
- North Beach School District
- Oakville School District
- Save the Children
- South Sound Parent to Parent
- Timberland Regional Library
- Tracy's Tikes Day Care & Preschool
- Washington Elementary Headstart - ESD 113
- Washington Elks Therapy Program for Children
- YMCA of Grays Harbor

Grays Harbor Early Learning Coalition Vision:

All children in Grays Harbor have quality early childhood experiences that promote health and safety, early literacy and parent support and education.

SOUTH SOUND PARENT TO PARENT



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GRAYS HARBOR Programa Bilingüe de Información y Educación Comunitaria

¡South Sound Parent to Parent está emocionado de traer un nuevo programa a Grays Harbor! El programa Bilingüe de Información y Educación Comunitaria es un excelente recurso para familias que están criando algún hijo con retraso en el desarrollo o discapacidad. Este incluirá:

- Apoyo emocional
- Recursos de la comunidad
- Tutoría entre padres
- Apoyo con el Programa de Educación Individualizado (IEP)
- ¡Educación para padres y más!

GRAYS HARBOR Bilingual Community Information & Education Program

South Sound Parent to Parent is excited to bring a new program to Grays Harbor! The Bilingual Community Information & Education Program is a great resource for families raising a child with a developmental delay or disability. It will include:

- Emotional support
- Community resources
- IEP Support
- Peer mentorship
- Mom to Mom Support Group
- Dad to Dad Support Group
- Parent education and more!



SOUTH SOUND PARENT TO PARENT

Strong Hearts

Grandparents Support Group



A welcoming space where any grandparent who provides care, support, or guidance, whether they are supporting their own adult child who is raising a child with a disability, or they are directly raising or supporting their grandchild.

Grandparents are the heart of so many families. Strong Hearts is a place to find support, connection, and community with others who understand the unique joys and challenges of your role.

What You Can Expect

- Warm, judgment-free conversations
- Connection with other grandparents
- Tips for navigating services and supports
- A chance to share your story and learn from others
- A space to feel seen, valued, and supported



Group Details

When: March 3, 2026 / 5:30pm

Where: Virtual

Cost: Free for all families

Registration: Click on QR code or visit www.ssp2p.org

Hosted by: South Sound Parent to Parent (SSP2P)

For questions: Contact Sylvia Davenport 360.352.1126



This group will be facilitated by Kay Richardson and available in Thurston, Mason & Grays Harbor Counties.



Sound Parent to Parent is a safe and welcoming space for all families. We do not share personal information with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and immigration enforcement is not part of our events.

South Sound Parent to Parent es un espacio seguro y acogedor para todas las familias. No compartimos información personal con el Servicio de Inmigración y Control de Aduanas de EE. UU. (ICE), y la aplicación de la ley migratoria no forma parte de nuestros eventos.



SOUTH SOUND PARENT TO PARENT

"If I'm concerned about my child's development, who should I call?"



Research shows that most learning happens in the first 3 years. If you think your child, age birth - three, should be crawling, walking or talking and isn't, please contact South Sound Parent to Parent and schedule a FREE evaluation to see if your child qualifies for early support services. **NO Physician referral required**

For more information or to schedule an evaluation, please contact us at: [360.352.1126](tel:360.352.1126) / www.ssp2p.org



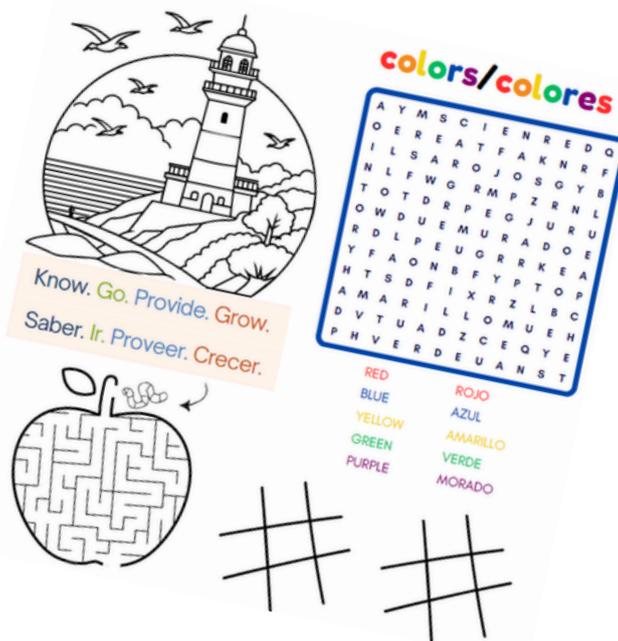
Proudly serving families in Grays Harbor, S. Mason & Thurston Counties.

GHEL COLORING PAGE

Coloring pages and crayons are available while supplies last. Connect with us to promote early learning and helpful resources!

- Great for waiting room areas and front lobbies.

[ORDER NOW](#)



LANTERN (PREVIOUSLY BRIGHT BY TEXT)

lantern

Because kids
don't come with
instructions.

We know parenting can be
overwhelming. We're here to
help, one text message at a time.



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Lantern is a free texting service where Grays Harbor families get reminders and information about free or low cost events and resources around the county. They get short texts about things like library events, play groups, health fairs, etc.

If you'd like to promote your free or low cost event to local families, you can fill out our google form. In order to guarantee that your event or resource is promoted, please submit at least 2 weeks prior to when you would like the message sent out.

ESD 113: HEAD START EARLY LEARNING PROGRAM

Head Start provides high-quality preschool as well as health screenings, family engagement opportunities and nutritious meals for children and families. We have 8 centers across Grays Harbor and Thurston County. If you receive public assistance (SNAP, TANF, SSI), are under 100% Federal Poverty Guidelines, experiencing homelessness and/or in foster care, you may be eligible! If you're interested in this great opportunity, please use the QR code on our flyer to be directed to our website and application. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to our office and we're happy to help!

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FEBRUARY IS DENTAL HEALTH MONTH



The Access to Baby and Child Dentistry program (ABCD) connects families with dentists who know how to care for young kids. This prevents early tooth decay and starts children on a lifelong path to good oral health. What we can provide?

- Swag bags (toothbrush, toothpaste, timers, mouth mirrors, dental floss)
- Hardcover book about teeth (one per agency)

Borrowed items:

- Puppets and large toothbrushes to demonstrate how to brush teeth
- Tooth fairy costume (adult medium) – possibly a visit from the tooth fairy if schedules align.

If anyone is interested please email Kimberly and let her know how many swag bags you would like and the best way to get them to you.

Kimberly McLaury, MPH, RDN, IBCLC | Supervisor

CHILD CARE ACTION COUNCIL FREE PLAYGROUPS!



WHAT IS KALEIDOSCOPE PLAY & LEARN?

A place where everyone, children and adults, learn through play. Come learn about fostering healthy child development and school readiness. Enjoy interactive circle time with stories, songs, games, and art, led by our facilitators.



GRAYS HARBOR COLLEGE: EARLY LEARNING PROGRAM



Enrollment for the Spring (2026) quarter at Grays Harbor College will begin in mid-February. To learn more about the Early Childhood Education program, the Early Achievers Grant, or to register for classes in the program, please contact: Hannah Mechler



Preschool Prom

Saturday, March 28

2:30 – 3:30 pm

for children and families

You are invited to Hoquiam Timberland Library's Preschool Prom! Put on your most fabulous formal attire and prepare for a magical event where you can take your child's first prom photo, dance with scarves and bubbles, do some crafts, and more!

This is an early learning program.



TRL is committed to providing engaging and educational experiences designed to support the development of children from birth to five years old. From interactive storytelling to play time with friends, our early learning programs foster a love for learning. Click on the Play, Learn, Grow icon for their winter calendar of events, playgroups, storytime, and more.

PLAY, LEARN,
GROW



ELEVATE EAST COUNTY



JERMAINE GALLOWAY,
AKA "TALL COP"



DR. SAMEER HINDUJA

YOU'RE INVITED!

PREVENTION NIGHT

EMERGING RISKS FACING
YOUTH: SOCIAL MEDIA,
SUBSTANCES, AND WHAT
PARENTS AND COMMUNITIES
CAN DO

Date & Time

MARCH 2ND, 2026
5:00 PM - 8PM

Location

ELMA TIMBERLAND LIBRARY
118 N 1ST ST
ELMA, WA 98541

Cost

FREE TO
COMMUNITY

To register:



[HTTPS://BIT.LY/4JOY5VJ](https://bit.ly/4JOY5VJ)



TOPICS COVERED:

- Youth social media, gaming, and device use
- Cyberbullying, sexting, digital dating abuse, and online harm
- Parenting strategies for communication, boundaries, monitoring, and response
- Promoting empathy, resilience, and healthy decision-making
- Emerging drug trends impacting youth
- Warning signs, prevention strategies, and how to have supportive conversations
- Resources for parents and communities

SUPPORTS
PARENTS &
CAREGIVERS IN
RESPONDING
TO CURRENT
RISKS FACING
YOUTH TODAY



REGISTER NOW



ELEVATE EAST COUNTY

PROGRAMA DE FORTALECIENDO FAMILIAS



Washington State Health Care Authority



ENTRENAMIENTO DE HABILIDADES FAMILIARES



UNASE A NOSOSTROS A UNA DIVERTIDA AVENTURA FAMILIAR

Estas Interesado En tener

Una familia Feliz
Fuertes lazos de amor y respeto
Ninos con un muy buen comportamiento
Una relacion matrimonial Feliz
Niños alejados de las sustancias y las drogas

¡El programa de Fortaleciendo Familias ofrece esto y más! Padres y jóvenes atienden una vez por semana Y aprenden juntos habilidades de Crianza y habilidades de como confrontar la vida.

El programa de Fortaleciendo Familias actualmente se imparte en 37 paises y cuenta con investigación probada, sobre crear matrimonios amorosos, hijos bien educados y una familia feliz

Martes por las tardes de, 5-7pm, Comenzará pronto en 2026.

Para aprender mas : info@michiantla.org



A Town Hall will be held on March 18 from 5:30–8:00 PM at Elma High School. Caregivers are invited to participate in Hidden in Plain Sight, an interactive presentation featuring a mock teenager's bedroom that helps adults identify potential signs of substance use and mental health concerns. During the caregiver session, teens will attend a driving safety presentation from Target Zero. Dinner will be provided, and community resource providers will be available. Organizations interested in hosting a resource table are encouraged to reach out for more information.

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CONNECT, PLAY, LEARN:

RESOURCE CENTER & PLAY GROUP

1st Tuesday of each month

Free Play from 1:30–3:00pm

**@ The Health Department
2109 Sumner Ave in Aberdeen**



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**A chance for families to find
resources, ask questions, and
enjoy play with peers.**

***FOR ALL KIDDOS BIRTH TO KINDERGARTEN**



**Have Questions?
Contact AHood@graysharbor.us**

What is PAT?

Personal Visits:

Your assigned Parent Educator can come to where you are to address your parenting concerns and talk through your challenges.

Group Connections:

Monthly get together with other families with small children. A time to learn, connect with other parents, and have fun.

Developmental Screenings:

We'll check in during Personal Visits to ensure that possible issues related to health, development, or learning are detected and addressed early.

Resource Network:

We'll help you find and use community resources to help your family reach your goals.

Is it for me?

Parents as Teachers is a helpful resource for those who are:

- expecting a child
- guardians of children ages 0-3
- need support getting their child ready for school

Grays Harbor Parents as Teachers is a free program that matches parents with a trained Parent Educator (PE). They are there to support you, and help you set and reach goals for yourself and your child.

Your PE is a friendly and experienced person who can help you find answers to your questions about pregnancy or parenting, as well as connect your family with local services.

Services are provided for 2 years. Children must be under 3 years old at time of enrollment.



"Parents as Teachers helped me be more confident on my parenting skills and I continue to learn new ones. There is always a new activity and we can always redo them as often as my child is interested in it. The activities have also helped me teach my child new skills."

-Eloisa, PAT participant

Visit ghfamilysupport.org
or call 360-532-8631
to sign up for Grays Harbor's
PAT program today!



ELMA SCHOOL-BASED MEDICAL HEALTH CENTER



SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTER

A school-based health center (SBHC) fosters learning readiness and academic achievement by **ensuring that students' health needs are being met** so they can focus on learning, playing, and growing.

All Elma School District students are eligible to opt in to receive SBHC services.

OUR SERVICES

- Well-child checks, sports physicals, and immunizations
- Evaluation and treatment of common health problems
- Medication management
- Prevention and early intervention mental health services
- Oral health care, including screenings, exams, cleanings, treatment, and referrals
- Vision screenings, eye exams, and glasses
- Preventive health care, including health education and promotion
- Health insurance eligibility and enrollment assistance
- Referrals to other health care providers and specialists as needed
- Autism assessments and ADHD evaluations

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360-482-1815 x 5118 | cwallace@eagles.edu

ABOUT US

In partnership with Capital Region ESD 113, Olympic Valley Clinic, Summit Pacific Medical Center, Elma Family Dental, EYE See Clinic, and Big Smiles Dental, we provide medical, vision, mental health, and dental services for students in Elma School District.

We serve students where they spend most of their time — at school.

Scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/elma-sbhc to learn more about our services and download enrollment forms.



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NEW!! CAR SEAT STATION

A permanent car seat checkup station has been established at the Harbor Regional Health Warren Medical Services Building and is currently scheduled to run on the third Tuesday of each month through June.



Car Seat Checkup Event

HAVE YOUR CHILD'S SEAT CHECKED BY NATIONALLY CERTIFIED CAR SEAT TECHNICIANS!

THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
12PM-2PM

January 20th, 2026
February 17th, 2026
March 17th, 2026
April 21st, 2026
May 19th, 2026
June 16th, 2026

Walk-ins Welcome!

Harbor Regional Health
Warren Medical Services Building
1006 N. H St.
Aberdeen, WA 98520

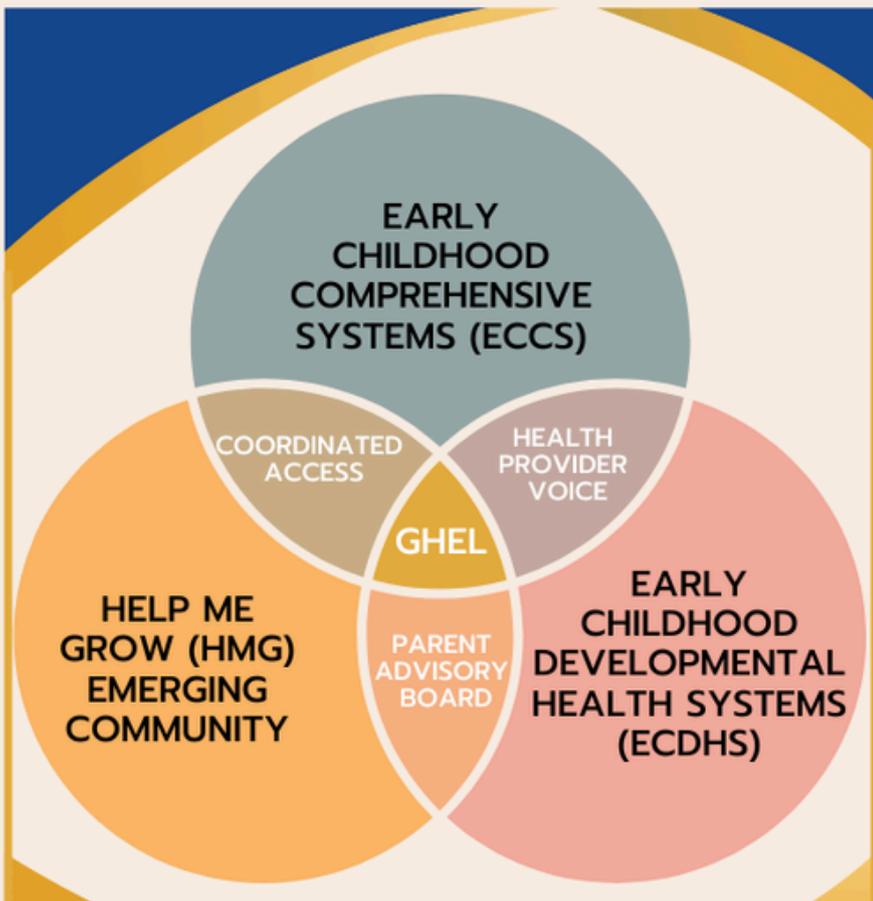
HRH Harbor Regional Health
WA CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY PROGRAM
GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY Public Health
TARGET ZERO

The flyer features a central image of a child in a car seat being adjusted by a technician. The background is light gray with a subtle grid pattern. The text is primarily in blue and black, with a green and blue circular graphic element behind the 'Walk-ins Welcome!' text.

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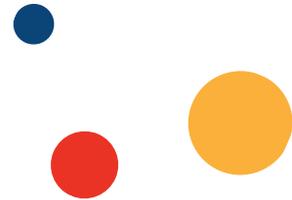
GHEL COALITION ACTIVITIES



Stakeholder Group



Get Involved and Invite Others



INITIATIVES:



ECCS

Ensure that information about resources available to children and families is trustworthy and accessible wherever it might help families. Families should be able to readily access the resources they need, when they need them.



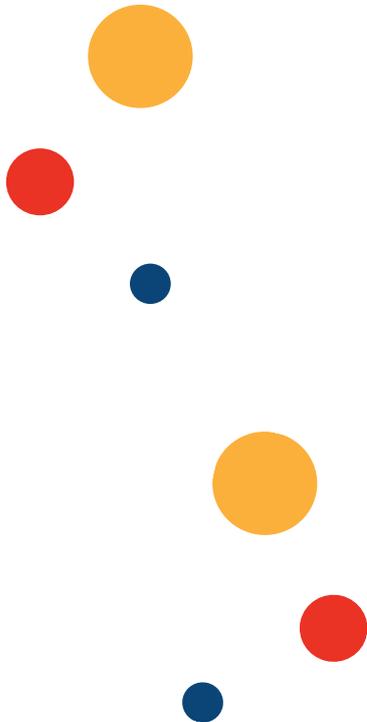
HMG

Explore a local HMG model and partnerships specifically focused on the coordinated access point and to improve resource navigation and access at the statewide level.



ECDHS

Increase coordination between early childhood/family support professionals, and healthcare providers with a goal of ensuring equitable access to supports and services for local families.



Know. Go. Provide. Grow.

Raise Awareness:

Early childhood lays the foundation for lifelong learning and success. Which also contributes as an engaged citizen.

KNOW

Support + Action:

When people engage in and support early childhood programs or policies it empowers them to take an active role in our community.

GO

Invest + Contribute:

Providing resources to early childhood program and networks ensures all children have access to quality early learning experiences.

PROVIDE

Thriving Communities:

A focus on early development means a community where every child has the opportunity to thrive, creating a generational impact.

GROW



Join the GHCL Stakeholder group to learn more and support the **KNOW.GO.PROVIDE.GROW.** positive public awareness campaign highlighting early learning and education access.

[LEARN MORE](#)



EARLY LEARNING NETWORKS



The purpose of Visions for Early Learning (VEL) is to provide an intentional space for the organic unfolding of partnerships and connections so that we can respond to emerging community needs effectively. VEL is one of ten regional coalitions in the state joined in Washington Communities for Children.

GET INVOLVED...GHCL MEETINGS & WORKGROUPS

GHCL EARLY LEARNING EXPO



April 30th - 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm - Grays Harbor County Fairgrounds - Pavilion Meeting Room - Event flyer coming soon!!

Join OUR MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

3RD TUESDAY

1:30 - 3:30 PM VIA ZOOM

Contact:

MOLLY LEITHOLD, GHCL COALITION LEAD

GHEARLYLEARNINGCOALITION@GMAIL.COM

COORDINATED ACCESS

- 4th Wednesday ea. month 3:30-4:30 pm

Click [HERE](#) to submit your program(s) for our resource directory.

