

**HEAD START of Greater Dallas, Inc.
 Child Care Group
 Mi Escuelita Preschools, Inc.
 Vogel Alcove Childcare Center**

Dear Parent(s):

Child's Name

Effective March 20, 2008, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services mandates all Head Start programs to require a lead toxicity screening for children in both Head Start and Early Head Start programs.

It is required for children enrolled in Early Head Start programs to receive a lead test at 12 months and 24 months. Children in Head Start programs between the ages of 3 years and 6 years must receive a screening if one has not been previously conducted. Children in both programs must show documented proof of a lead screening by their scheduled entry date.

Lead Testing can be obtained from the following:

- Your personal physician/PCP can provide a lead test (Medicaid, CHIP, Private Insurance, etc.)
- Dallas County Health and Human Services Department
 2377 N. Stemmons Freeway
 Dallas, Texas 75207-2710
 (214) 819-2000
- West Dallas Multipurpose Center
 2828 Fishtrap Road
 Dallas, TX 75212
 (214) 670-6328
 NOTE: *Testing is offered on Monday, Thursday and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.*

Please provide the following:

Health Provider	Lead Test Results	Date
Parent Signature	Date	

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Your cooperation is greatly appreciated as you adhere to this new requirement. Thank you.