***What is a Home Visit?***

CEO Head Start/Early Head Start is a federally funded program which has requirements the program must meet. One of those requirements is to complete 2 home visits per year. Home visits are completed within the first 45 days of school and at the end of the school year.

***What is the purpose of a Home Visit?***

Home visits are an opportunity to build a relationship between your family and the teachers. It provides your child with an opportunity to get to know the teaching staff in an environment that is safe and familiar to them. Developing a strong home-to-school connection will help your child have a more successful and positive educational experience.

We assure you we are not visiting to critique your home. We are visiting to share information about the program and to help your child have a smooth transition into the school year.

***What will we talk about?***

Head Start teachers may discuss with your family:

* Your child’s likes and dislikes.
* Your child’s developmental skills (motor-movement, cognitive-learning, thinking skills, social-emotional (feelings and interacting with others).
* Head Start committees (Pyramid Model, School Readiness, Policy Council).
* Screeners and assessments (ESI, ASQ, and Teaching Strategies checkpoints).
* Any upcoming transition plans:
	+ Infant to Toddlers
	+ Toddlers to Pre-School
	+ Pre-School to Kindergarten
* Opportunities to volunteer in the center or classroom.
* Your family’s cultural traditions and celebrations and if you would like to share with the center.
* Upcoming family engagement activities in the classroom and the center.

We look forward to getting to know you and your family!