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Great News for Local Families Struggling to Afford Preschool Tuition - Preschool Advantage Is Now Accepting Applications for the 2024-2025 School Year!

MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY – January 25, 2024 Do you need help affording the high cost of preschool, or do you know a family who does? Preschool Advantage is now accepting applications for tuition assistance for the 2024-2025 school year. Families demonstrating financial need and a commitment to education can apply now through the Preschool Advantage website. Applications received by March 1, 2024 will be given priority. Later applications will be considered as long as funds remain available.

Only 25% of New Jersey's school districts offer free public preschool to all residents, leaving many families to pay for tuition themselves – and thousands of families in New Jersey simply cannot afford to do so. Preschool Advantage partners with 28 high-quality preschools in Morris and Somerset counties to bring the many benefits of preschool to families who could not otherwise afford this for their children. The families Preschool Advantage assists may earn up to \$80,000 a year depending on family size.

Preschool Advantage relies solely on private funding to assist families in need. Since 1995, Preschool Advantage has provided tuition assistance to more than 1,500 families throughout Morris and Somerset Counties. In the school year that began in September, 2023, Preschool Advantage funded tuition for 106 children

and plans to fund 100 more in 2024. To access the application and a list of partner preschools, go to preschooladvantage.org or call (973) 532-2501.

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