

**MISSISSIPPI COUNTY, ARKANSAS, E.O.C.  
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

**COMPREHENSIVE CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

§1300

**GOAL STATEMENT-** MCAEOC will strive for excellence by enhancing educational services to support school readiness of children that will maximize their potential to enter kindergarten with a solid foundation for reading success

**POLICY:**

Each program provides comprehensive child development services as stated in the Head Start Performance Standards.

**PROCEDURES:**

**1.0 Comprehensive Child Development Services**

1.1 MCAEOC provides classroom and group socialization activities for the child as well as home visits to the parents.

- a) The major purpose of the classroom or socialization activities is to help meet the child's developmental needs, to promote school readiness, and to foster the child's social competence.
- b) The major purpose of the home visit is to enhance the parental role in the growth and development of the child.

1.2 The facilities used by Early Head Start and Head Start programs and delegates for regularly scheduled Center-Based classroom activities, or Home- Based group socialization activities, comply with State and local requirements concerning licensing.

- a) In cases where these licensing standards are less comprehensive or less stringent than the Head Start regulations, the programs ensure that their facilities are in compliance with the Head Start Program Performance Standards related to health and safety as found in 1304.53 a Physical environment and facilities.
- b) All facilities licensing, food safety and sanitation certificates and/permits will be posted in the center to meet compliance.

1.3 Each program identifies, secures, and uses community resources in the provision of services to Head Start children and their families prior to using Head Start funds for these services.