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Dear Parents and Guardians,

You are receiving this letter because your child currently attends a Prekindergarten Head Start Program in a leased facility and is age-eligible to continue in the program for the 2013-2014 school year.

As you may know, The School District of Philadelphia is continuing its efforts to improve its use of resources in order to preserve and improve services to children and their families. As part of this effort, the Office of Early Childhood Education must relocate its programs from leased facilities in order to save resources and provide prek educational services to as many children as possible. As we strategically restructure our prek programming, we will rely on support from our Child Care Community Partners to provide prek programming where there is capacity during this process. Your child will continue in the current location until the end of the current school year.

As long as your child remains enrolled in the Head Start program through the end of this school year, he or she will be offered placement in the 2013-2014 Head Start program at another location of your choice.

Parents will receive information from the Office of Early Childhood via mail in April with the list of locations where prek programming will be offered. Parents will be asked to select three locations in preference order. Our early childhood social workers and other staff will work to support families through this process.

Questions, concerns or changes to your information may be directed to Myra Frink or Faye Moore.

- Telephone at 215-400-4270, prompt #1, option #2
- Fax at 215-400-4275, Attention: Family Services
- Email rloadholt@philasd.org

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this unsettling time.

Sincerely,

Joy Diljohn

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