## Description of Program:

## **North Carolina Pre-Kindergarten Program (NC Pre-K):**

The North Carolina Pre-Kindergarten Program is a wonderfully comprehensive program that addresses all areas of development. It serves preschool children that will be 4 years of age by August 31st. Three year old children are served in these classrooms if they have special needs that meet the requirements set forth by the Exceptional Children's Program. The NC Pre-K program serves children from all Gates County school districts. This program currently has 3 classrooms at Gatesville Elementary School. The NC Pre-K program serves typically developing children and children with developmental needs. All Lead Teachers hold a Bachelor's degree plus Birth-Kindergarten Certification or equivalent. The Creative Curriculum, a State approved curriculum, is used in the classrooms. Each student's progress is monitored by ongoing developmentally appropriate assessments/observations. Daily/weekly notes are sent home with the children and formal progress reports are sent to the parents at least 3 times per school year. Parent workshops and conferences are held several times per year and families are encouraged to be active in the classroom. This preschool program closely mirrors the Gates County School Calendar, with the same start and end dates. Transportation and before/after school care are not provided. The teacher/child ratio is 1 teacher to every 9 students *or better*.

Before submitting the application, please attached a COPY of your child's:

Birth Certificate
Social Security Card
Last Health Assessment – After review, a more recent physical may be required.
Immunization Record – Will need to be updated as shots are updated.
Proof of Income

Please contact Carledia Dozier, Preschool Coordinator if you have any questions regarding this program. You may contact her at 357-4133 or 357-1611.

Thank you for your interest in our program!