

# **About Us**

Alliance Center for Education. affectionately known as AC4Ed, was formerly known as Bethlehem Center of Charlotte until a rebranding in 2020. Bethlehem Center was founded in 1940 by the United Methodist Women in the Brooklyn neighborhood of Charlotte to provide much-needed **no cost** childcare to children and families.

Our mission is to provide high-quality education and support for children in need through partnership with their families.

**Our vision** is to positively affect the future of children at risk by improving economic mobility through education.



Scan the QR code to see our locations and complete an interest form.

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Serving children and families in Mecklenburg County for more than 80 years.

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## **Early Head Start**

To ensure the best possible start for children and families, support is provided for any identified needs to help with housing, employment, and financial stability.

#### **Options include**

- Home visitation services
- Center-based programs

#### These programs support expectant mothers and families with children under three years old.

Our team of highly trained, passionate professionals is here to help you and your child be school ready.

### Head Start & Pre-K

Serving children from **three to five** years old in **eligible families**, our early childhood education programs are provided at no cost.

#### Program strengths include

- · Building relationships
- Learning through creative play
- Structured lessons that build on each child's needs and abilities

# Comprehensive services are a cornerstone of our program and

engage families in their child's education as well as helping fulfill their own goals. Our Family Case Managers help connect them to the needed community support and resources.





# Afterschool

Through supportive and engaging programming, **K-12 students** are encouraged to explore their interests, **set goals for their futures**, and support their communities.

### Our educators teach students

- Personal and character development
- Goal setting
- Financial literacy

This program also teaches teens about college and career readiness and **supports students at all grade levels.**