

HAMILTON, HUMBOLDT, WRIGHT and Webster COUNTIES in Iowa

AGENCY NAME: Prairie Lakes Area Education Agency 8 We have an office in Webster City, however our central office is in Pocahontas and that is the office of Denise Wasko, chairperson of the Early Childhood, Early Childhood Special Education Department

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HOURS OF OPERATON: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:

Early Childhood

Offering support and expertise on research-based best practices that support the achievement of children birth to age 5

- Child Find
- Early ACCESS System & Services
- Early Childhood Special Education Instructional Programming
- Implementation of Iowa Quality Preschool Program Standards

Special Education

Providing specialized services for children and students from birth to age 21 with diverse learning needs, including students with disabilities

- Assistive Technology
- Audiology services
- Autism Resource Team
- Behavior Intervention Specialists
- Brain Injury Resource Team
- Child Find
- Early ACCESS System and Services
- Early Childhood Special Education Support
- Education services to prison and youth shelter care facilities
- Occupational Therapy Services
- Paraeducator Support
- Parent Educator Connection
- Physical Therapy Services
- Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports Training
- Post-secondary Transition Support
- School Psychology Services
- School Social Work Services
- Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

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- Services for the Visually Impaired
- Special Education Consultants
- Special Education Professional Development
- Speech Language Services

FEES: none

ELIGIBILITY: Early ACCESS (0-3) services are provided at no cost to eligible children and families
Early Childhood Special Education services are provided at no cost to eligible students (ages 3-5)
Special Education services are provided at no cost to students with identified educational disabilities (3-21)

AREA SERVED: Prairie Lakes covers 14 counties - Calhoun, Clay, Buena Vista, Dickinson, Emmet, Greene, Hamilton, Humboldt, Kossuth, Palo Alto, Pocahontas, Sac, Webster & Wright,

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: contact the AEA office for information about screening and evaluation process

TRANSPORTATION: if needed to access special education services

ACCESSIBILITY: ADA Accessible

LANGUAGES: Interpreters available upon request