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Every Child, Every Opportunity INITIATIVE



Healthy Columbia



ucked along the Susquehanna River,
Columbia has always been a unique place.
Once a vibrant community at the center of the region's industrial growth, we are now a river town in transition, stretching to find its identity.

Regardless of Columbia's economic turns, the community has always been committed to supporting children and families. Times have changed, and while some may not remember our proud family-focused tradition, it still pulses through our streets and within our homes.

There are times when tried and true traditions and values need to be dusted off and revived, and other times when they need to be reimagined to better serve the evolving community. Regardless of the changes, family-focused traditions and values remain at the heart of Columbia.

Today, families and residents in the Columbia Community have a partner in CHI St. Joseph Children's Health. Our family-focused approach embodies the best traditions of the Borough and strives to create a vibrant community where opportunity is accessible to everyone. Our Every Child, Every Opportunity Program is built to unlock the potential of every child and family through the **Pre-K** for All and Columbia Futures Initiatives.



Pre-K for All

No one said having a family is easy – today, most families need two incomes just to make ends meet. The high cost of childcare can leave families in a financial struggle, forced to make painful compromises and sacrifice their dreams. Now is the time for Columbia families to stop struggling and start thriving.

The **Pre-K for All** program is about opportunity. It's:

- An educational jump start for every child (access to quality Pre-K at age 4)
- ✓ An economic opportunity for every family (elimination of over \$9,700 in childcare costs)
- A start on a healthier path forward for families (access to family supports and wellness coaching)

In Columbia, every family starts with a promise – a commitment to health, learning and prosperity for all of us. Pre-K for All is just the start. Learn more at www.CHIStJosephChildrensHealth.org/ECEO

Columbia Futures

Guaranteeing Columbia's future starts by assuring residents have the knowledge and skill sets needed to build and maintain this community. Diverse trade skills and higher education are essential in driving our local economy and creating the Borough we envision.

The most important element in the formula for success is already among us – our community's children.

Columbia Futures rewards long-term residents with children for choosing Columbia as their life-long home with scholarships to support their child's continuing education at a trade school, community college or 4-year college or university. Providing youth with access to needed education and training, while creating a community they are proud to return to and utilize their skills and degrees, is essential to creating a vibrant Columbia. For more information, including eligibility and scholarship amounts please visit www.CHIStJosephChildrensHealth.org/ECEO