# Hancock County Excel By 5 RESOURCE DIRECTORY



**C E R T I F I E D**

## EARLY CHILDHOOD COMMUNITY

**HANCOCK COUNTY 2022**

Excel By 5

Excel By 5 is a community-based certification designed to improve a child’s overall well-being by age five. Being the first of its kind in the United States, this program emphasizes the important role our community plays in educating children during their most formative years-- birth to five.

Excel By 5 sets forth a variety of standards involving **parent training**, **community participation**, **childcare**, and **health** to help focus on supporting the most critical needs of young children and their families. The certification process also identifies available resources and existing best practices to ensure that every child in Hancock Country enters school prepared to succeed at the age of five.

Hancock County is a certified Excel by 5 community. We are a team of educators, community leaders, and parents working together to help make this county a more nurturing, safe environment for our children.

For more information on Hancock County’s Excel by 5, please visit [http://www.excelby5.com/communities/hancockcounty/index.php.](http://www.excelby5.com/communities/hancockcounty/index.php)

https://[www.facebook.com/hancockcountyexcelby5](http://www.facebook.com/hancockcountyexcelby5)

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## CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

#### Boys and Girls Club of the Gulf Coast

ADDRESS: 310 Old Spanish Trail

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

###### PHONE: 228.467.9515

WEBSITE: <http://www.bgcgulfcoast.org/>

Offers afterschool and summer youth development programs focusing on five core areas: Education and Career Development, Health and Life Skills, Character and Leadership Development, the Arts, Sports, Fitness, and Recreation. A variety of activities are available for children throughout the year. This includes special events, collaborations with other agencies, and field trips. Open to all children ages 5 to 18. The membership fee is $75.00 per month during the school year and $300 for 8-week summer program. Applications are required for enrollment and may be obtained at any of the units. They are open Monday through Friday throughout the year 2:30 – 6:00 p.m.

### CASA of Hancock County

ADDRESS: 644 Dunbar Avenue

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

###### PHONE: 228.344.0419

WEBSITE: [www.casahancockcounty.org](http://www.casahancockcounty.org/)

CASA recruits, trains and supports a diverse network of Court Appointed Special

Advocate (CASA) Volunteers who provide abused and neglected children with quality advocacy in the Hancock County court system.

#### Hancock County Human Resource Agency

ADDRESS: 601 Bookter Street

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

###### PHONE: 228.344.0419

WEBSITE: [http://hancockhra.com](http://hancockhra.com/)

Embraces the philosophy that learning begins at birth with the first five years of life being the most crucial in the development of a child. We provide a flexible and busy schedule designed to meet the needs of each child.

**Hancock County Child Development Center** 9930 Hwy 603

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 PHONE: 228.467.8050

Cell - 228-467-8050

Program Director – Amanda Besse

**Camp Care**

7150 Lower Bay Rd

Bay St Louis, MS 38520 Phone:228-467-9265 Cell: 228-216-8788

Program Director – Keniesha Montgomery

STARS Early Education Center

Program Director – Amanda Humfress

#### de l’Epee Deaf Center, Inc.

ADDRESS: 1450 North Street

Gulfport, MS 39507

###### PHONE: 228.897.2280

WEBSITE: <http://www.deafms.org/>

Offers summer camps for both deaf children and the children of deaf adults. They also offer youth religion classes.

ADDRESS: 856 B, Hwy 90

#### Hancock County 4-H

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

###### PHONE: 228.467.5456

WEBSITE: <http://msucares.com/counties/hancock_23/4h.html>

Offers programs and growth opportunities to develop skills and interest through participation in educational programs for youth aged 8 – 19 from rural and urban areas, and from all cultural,

economic, and social backgrounds. Helps youth acquire knowledge that can help them to develop such life skills as communication, decision-making, leadership, community awareness, interpersonal relations and global understanding. They also help youth form attitudes that will enable them to become self-directing, productive, and contributing members of society. Open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am-12:00pm and then 1:00 pm-5:00 pm.

#### Hope Haven Children’s Services

ADDRESS: 706 US Hwy 90

Waveland, MS 39576

###### PHONE: 228.466.6395

WEBSITE: https://[www.hopehavencac.org/](http://www.hopehavencac.org/)

Advocacy on behalf of abused & neglected children, prevention programs on child abuse, assistance to foster families, foster children and children leaving foster care. The agency hosts parenting classes, Salvation Army staff and the YMCA YOUTH PROGRAM.

#### MSUcares.com

###### PHONE: 1.866.706.8827

WEBSITE: <http://msucares.com/>

Mississippi Child Care Resource and referral network available Monday – Friday from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm.

#### Women, Infants, and Children (W.I.C)

###### ADDRESS: 856 HWY 603

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

###### PHONE: 228.467.1086

WEBSITE: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/>

Provides a monthly package of supplement nutritional items for pregnant women, women while breastfeeding, infants up to 12 months, postpartum for mothers up to 6 months, and children from birth to five years old.

## Additional ASSISTANCE

**Gulf Coast Christian Women’s Job Corp/Magdalene House**

###### ADDRESS: 10469 HWY 603

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

###### PHONE: 228-586-3510

Provides one-on-one mentoring, tutoring, life, job & computer skills.

## EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

#### American Association of Poison Control Centers

###### PHONE: 800-222-1222

Helphotline-24 hours a day 365 days a year

AAPCC represents the poison control centers of the United States and the interests of poison prevention and treatment of poisoning.

PHONE: 228.467.7609

#### American Red Cross

**Catholic Charities of South Mississippi**

ADDRESS: 200 Highway 90, Suite C. Waveland, MS 39576

###### PHONE: 228.701.0555

WEBSITE: https://catholiccharitiesbiloxi.org/locations

Provides assistance with case management, financial assistance, infant and maternity support and pregnancy testing.

#### Child Help

###### PHONE: 1-800-4-A-CHILD (1-800-422-4453)

*24 hours a day, 365 days a year*

WEBSITE: <http://www.childhelp.org/pages/hotline-home>

The National Child Abuse Hotline offers crisis intervention, information, literature, and referrals to thousands of emergency, social service, and support resources. All calls are anonymous and confidential.

#### Gulf Coast Women’s Center for Nonviolence

PHONE: 228.252.1999 Hancock County Office 228.436.3809

Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Crisis Hotline: 1.800.800.1396

National Hotline: 1.800.799.SAFE(7233) or TTY 1.800.787.3224

*24 hours a day, 365 days a year*

WEBSITE: [www.gcwcfn.org](http://www.gcwcfn.org/)

Provides a safe place to live for women and children experiencing domestic violence. Also offers assistance in areas such as individual and group counseling, outreach counseling, children’s program, court advocate program and a domestic violence intervention.

ADDRESS: 856 Hwy 90

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 PHONE: 228.467.4565

#### Mississippi Department of Human Services

WEBSITE: <http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/>

Provides government assistance in the form of SNAP, TANF, CHP, Medicaid, child adult protective service, foster care services, interstate compact services, independent living program, adoption referral program, abstinence program, child support enforcement and paternity establishment.

## MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH

#### Oschner Medical Center (formerly Hancock County Medical Center)

ADDRESS: 149 Drinkwater Blvd.

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

###### PHONE: 228.467.8790

WEBSITE: https://[www.ochsner.org/locations/ochsner-health-center-bay-st-louis](http://www.ochsner.org/locations/ochsner-health-center-bay-st-louis)

#### Coastal Family Health Center

ADDRESS: 109 Hospital Drive

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

###### PHONE: 228.463.9666

WEBSITE: https://coastalfamilyhealth.org/locations/bay-st-louis-3/

Provides quality health care and social services to all persons regardless of economic status with the understanding that the term health is an inclusive one that seeks to improve the quality of life of the whole community. Monday through Friday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM. Appointments by telephone & Walk-ins Accepted (after triage).

***Available Services***

* Complete Family Medical Care
* Nutrition
* In-House Laboratory
* Social Services

#### Gulf Coast Women’s Center for Nonviolence

(See EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE)

#### Gulf Coast Mental Health Center

ADDRESS: 819-B Central Avenue

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

###### PHONE: 228.467.1881

WEBSITE: [www.gcmhc.com/](http://www.gcmhc.com/)

Offers outpatient, medication clinic and case management services.

#### Hancock County Health Department

ADDRESS: 856 Hwy 90, Bay St Louis, MS 39520

###### PHONE: 228.467.4510

Offers outpatient, medication clinic and case management services. Other available services: Family Planning, Maternity, WIC, Child Health (EPSDT), Perinatal (PHRM), Immunizations, Children's Medical Program, STD/HIV, Diabetes control, Children's Health Insurance, Breast & Cervical Cancer, Social Work, Early Intervention (First Steps), Tuberculosis, Hypertension.

## SCHOOLS

### Bay-Waveland School District

**Bay High School (9-12)** 750 Blue Meadow Road Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 PHONE: 228.467.6611

##### Bay Waveland Alternative School

310 Old Spanish Trail Bay St Louis, MS 39520 PHONE: 228.467.4536

##### Bay Waveland Middle School (6-8)

600 Pine Street

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 PHONE: 228.463.0315

##### North Bay Elementary (3-5)

602 Pine Street

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 PHONE: 228.467.4052

**Waveland Elementary (K-2)** 1101 St. Joseph Street Waveland, MS 39576

###### PHONE: 228.467.6630

**Hancock School District East Hancock Elementary (K-5)** 4221 Kiln Delisle Road

Kiln, MS 395560

PHONE: 228.255.6637

##### Hancock Alternative Education Setting

7060 Stennis Airport Drive Kiln, MS 39556

PHONE: 228.466.6563

##### Hancock Cty Career-Tech Center (9-12)

7180 Stennis Airport Drive Kiln, MS 39556

###### PHONE: 228.467.3568

**Hancock High School (9-12)** 7084 Stennis Airport Drive Kiln, MS 39556

PHONE: 228.467.2251

##### Hancock Middle School (6-8)

7070 Stennis Airport Drive Kiln, MS 39556

PHONE: 228.467.1889

##### Hancock North Central Elementary (K-5)

6122 Cuevas Town Road Kiln, MS 39556

PHONE: 228.255.7641

##### South Hancock Elementary (K-5)

6590 Lakeshore Road Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 PHONE: 228.467.4655

##### West Hancock Elementary (K-5)

23350 Highway 43

Picayune, MS 39466

PHONE: 601.749.9430

#### Private Schools

##### Holy Trinity (3 years – 6th grade)

301 South Second Street Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 PHONE: 228.467.5158

**Our Lady Academy (7-12)** 222 South Beach Boulevard Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 PHONE: 228.467.7048

##### Saint Stanislaus College (grades 7-12)

304 South Beach Boulevard Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 PHONE: 228.467.9057

#### Community College

##### Pearl River Community College

454 Hwy 90 Suite D.

Waveland, MS 39576

###### PHONE: 228.467.2761

WEBSITE: <http://www.prcc.edu/>

#### Head Start

##### Mississippi Action for Progress (MAP)

301 Necaise Ave.

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 PHONE: 228.467.3190

WEBSITE: <http://www.mapheadstart.org/page_view.cfm?cpidn=80>

## HANCOCK COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

#### Bay St. Louis and Administration Headquarters

312 Highway 90

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 PHONE: 228.467.5282

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday:

9:00 am-7:00 pm

Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 am-5:00 pm; Saturday: 9:00 am-4:00 pm

#### Kiln

17065 Highway 603

Kiln, MS 39556

###### PHONE: 228.255.1724

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday:

9:00 am-6:00 pm

Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 am- 5:00 pm; Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

#### Pearlington

6096 First Street

Pearlington, MS 39572

###### PHONE: 228.533.0755

Monday - closed

Tuesday, Thursday: 10:00 am -6:00 pm

Wednesday: 11:00 a.m. --5:00p.m; .Friday:10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.: Sat 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

#### Waveland

345 Coleman Avenue

Waveland, MS 39576

###### PHONE: 228.467.9240

Mon., Tues, Thursday: 10:00 am-6:00 p.m.

Wednesday – 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.: Friday: 10:00 am- 5:00 pm; Saturday: 1:00 am-2:00 pm

**Diamondhead**

4545 Shepherd Sq,

Diamondhead, MS 39525

PHONE: [(228) 255-4800](https://www.google.com/search?sa=X&rlz=1C1GCEA_enUS1015US1015&q=east+hancock+public+library+diamondhead+phone&ludocid=2492523564273242900&ved=2ahUKEwiz48zj-ZX9AhUNlIkEHT_cDYcQ6BN6BAhuEAI&biw=1557&bih=858&dpr=1)

Monday- 10 AM-5 PM

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| Tuesday | 10 AM–6 PM |
| Wednesday | 9 AM–5 PM |
| Thursday | 10 AM–6 PM |
| Friday | 9 AM–5 PM |
| Saturday | 9 AM–4 PM |
| Sunday | Closed |

## FOOD

ADDRESS: 856 Hwy 90

#### Department of Human Service

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

PHONE: 228.467.2790

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| Dept. of Family and Children Services Ste C | 228-467-4100 |
| Child abuse and neglect hotline | 800-222-8000 |
| Economic Assistance (TANF/SNAP) Ste E | 228-467-4565 |
| Child Support Ste D Mon-Fri , 8-5 WEBSITE: <http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/> | 228-467-2808 |

#### Hancock County Food Pantry

ADDRESS: 9972 Highway 603

Bay St. Louis, MS 39521

###### PHONE: 228.467.2790

WEBSITE: <http://www.hancockcountyfoodpantry.org/>

Serves food Monday through Friday from 9:00 am- 12:00 pm.

#### Lakeshore Baptist Church

ADDRESS: 6077 Lakeshore Road

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

###### PHONE: 228.469.0110

WEBSITE: <http://lakeshorebaptist.net/>

Provides food and clothing assistance. Wed through Friday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

#### The Shepard’s Table Soup Kitchen

ADDRESS: 314 Vacation Lane Waveland, MS 39576 PHONE: 228.493.2091

Soup kitchen open Wednesdays 11-1 lunch served

#### Women, Infants, and Children (W.I.C.)

(See CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES)

## STATE GOVERNMENT

Attorney General 1.601.359.4230

Better Business Bureau 1.601.856.9357

Bureau of Vital Statistics 1.601.576.7960

Governor's Office 1.877.405.0733

Mississippi Development Authority 1.601.359.3552

Mississippi Department of Education 1.601.359.3513

Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

1.888.786.0661

Mississippi Department of Human Services

1.800.345.6347

Mississippi Department of Marine Resources

1.800.374.3449

Mississippi Department of Transportation 1.866.521.6368

Mississippi Division of Medicaid 1.888.268.5257

Mississippi Economic Council 1.800.748.7626

Mississippi Highway Patrol 1.601.987.1212

Mississippi Insurance Department 1.800.562.2957

Mississippi Public Service Commission

1.800.356.6429

Secretary of State 1.601.359.1350

Transportation Commission 1.601.583.0859

## ONLINE WEBSITES AND APPS

#### BornLearning.org

WEBSITE: [http://www.bornlearning.org](http://www.bornlearning.org/)

How can parents, grandparents and caregivers support learning? Since children learn in a variety of ways and styles, to achieve developmental milestones the relationship with parents and primary caregivers is essential. It's a connection that allows for optimum learning. You can find help here, along with more information like downloadable tips and tools.

#### Center for Disease Control Parenting Information

###### PHONE: 800-CDC-INFO (800-232-4636)

WEBSITE: <http://www.cdc.gov/parents/>

Everything, from safety at home and the community to immunization schedules and developmental milestones. Let the CDC's Parent Information site help you keep your child healthy and safe.

#### Focus on the Family

*Free iPhone and Android App*

The Focus on the Family app is the best way for Parents and Married Couples to find support and encouragement on the go as they seek to live out the vital roles that God has called them to. The app equips and educates users to grow in their marriages and raise godly children.

#### The Fred Rogers Company

WEBSITE: <http://www.fci.org/new-> site/parents.html

Founded by Fred Rogers in 1971 as the non- profit producer of *Mister Rogers’ Neighborhood* for PBS. In the years that followed, the company extended Fred's values and approach to other efforts in promoting children’s social, emotional, and behavioral health and supporting parents, caregivers, teachers and other professionals in their work with children.

**Healthy Children (From the American Academy of Pediatrics)** WEBSITE: <http://www.healthychildren.org/> The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and its member pediatricians dedicate their efforts and resources to the health, safety and well-being of infants, children, adolescents and young adults.

#### Parenting Ages and Stages

*Free iPhone and iTouch app*

Get all the best of Parenting.com in the palm of your hand, with info on everything from stretch marks to breastfeeding, potty training, disciplining and more. Customize the app to match the stage in your pregnancy or the age of your child(ren). It's like having a parenting encyclopedia with you everywhere you go.

#### Parents as Teachers

###### WEBSITE:

<http://www.parentsasteachers.org/>

Through advocacy and outreach, Parents as Teachers serves as a voice for early childhood education and champions the critical role of parental involvement and early intervention in the education continuum. Parents as Teachers raises awareness, and works to shape policy around the importance of enhancing school readiness by reaching children during the critical, formative years of life.

#### Public Broadcasting

WEBSITE: <http://www.pbs.org/parents/>

PBS Parents is a trusted resource that’s filled with information on child development and early learning. It also serves as a parent's window to the world of PBS KIDS, offering access to educational games and activities inspired by PBS KIDS programs.

#### Zero to Three

WEBSITE: <http://www.zerotothree.org/> A national, nonprofit organization that

informs, trains, and supports professionals, policymakers, and parents in their efforts to improve the lives of infants and toddlers.

#### Dolly Parton Imagination Library

Phone: 228-896-2213

WEBSITE: [www.unitedwaysm.org](http://www.unitedwaysm.org/)

United Way of South MS is an affiliate of Dolly Parton Imagination Library and provides free books to children who were born Jan 1, 2013 or later. The children will continue to receive these books until they

are 5 years of age. To be eligible, the children need to be residents of Harrison, Hancock, Pearl River or Stone County. You can register online at the United Way website and click on Free Books or get a registration form at the Hancock County Public Libraries.