

# Wake County SmartStart

## News Release

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## Wake County SmartStart Relocates to Waters Edge Business Park in Raleigh

*New location is family friendly and saves critical financial resources.*

RALEIGH (June 15, 2011) – [Wake County SmartStart](http://www.wakesmartstart.org) (WCSS) has relocated to the Waters Edge Business Park just minutes away from its previous Situs Court location in Raleigh. The organization’s new address is [4901 Waters Edge Drive, Suite 101, Raleigh, NC 27606](http://www.wakesmartstart.org). WCSS’ primary telephone number, 919-851-9550, remains the same.

“The future of our community depends on WCSS’ ability to foster the health and well-being of the next generation and to ensure that all children have the opportunity to develop intellectually, socially and emotionally,” said Pam Dowdy, executive director, WCSS. “Our new location provides us with ample space for our work. It also offers a great family friendly environment while saving critical financial resources to ensure the organization’s ability to provide families with access to high-quality early education that positively impacts children despite expected budget cuts for next year.”

WCSS is a private-public partnership that works to ensure children in Wake County, birth to 5, are prepared for success in school and life. Organized in 1996, Wake County SmartStart works to improve the quality, accessibility and affordability of child care settings, provide preventive health and early intervention services and offer family support services. The organization also promotes, supports, and advocates for the needs of young children living in Wake County. For more information about Wake County SmartStart, its partners and projects, visit [www.wakesmartstart.org](http://www.wakesmartstart.org) or call (919) 851-9550.

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### **About Wake County SmartStart**

Organized in 1996, Wake County SmartStart is committed to ensuring every child in Wake County is prepared to enter school healthy and ready to succeed. Wake County SmartStart works to improve the quality, accessibility and affordability of child care settings, identify and connect children to early intervention and other preventive health services and support families and early childhood educators. The organization also promotes, supports, and advocates for the needs of young children living in Wake County. To achieve its mission, Wake County SmartStart partners with national, state, and local agencies, and other nonprofits that serve Wake County children, ages birth to five, and their families through vital human service programs. More information on Wake County SmartStart’s allocation of state funds and its activities with local partner agencies can be found at [www.wakesmartstart.org](http://www.wakesmartstart.org), [www.facebook.com/wakecountysmartstart](http://www.facebook.com/wakecountysmartstart) and [www.twitter.com/wakesmartstart](http://www.twitter.com/wakesmartstart).

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