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# MANISTEE GREAT START FAMILIES

GREAT START COLLABORATIVE NEWSLETTER



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**WANT TO BETTER UNDERSTAND YOUR CHILD'S NEEDS AND BEHAVIORS?**

## ENROLL IN MOM POWER

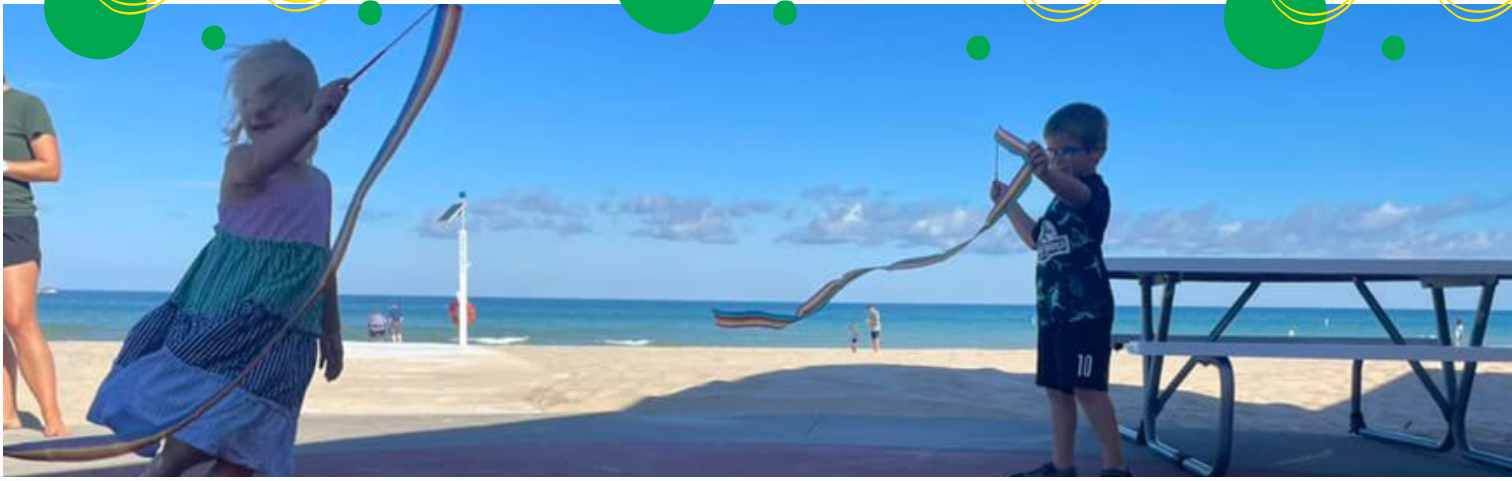
Mom Power is an attachment-based parenting program designed to provide education to parents, connect them with resources, and support their relationship with their child. This is a 9 week program completed from the comfort of you home on Zoom.

Wednesday evenings, 7:00 – 8:30 pm  
starting Sept 28th

Sign up using the QR code



Wexford-Missaukee-  
Manistee Counties



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Bubbles in the Park**  
 Sat Sept 17th  
 10:30 am

**Story and Smores**  
 Sunday Aug 25th  
 11 am  
 Wais Family Farm

**Story Time on the Go!**  
 Wed 4:30 pm  
 7th – Orchard Beach Trails  
 21st – Magoon Creek

**Indoor Playgroup**  
 Fridays 9:30 – 11:00 am  
 Manistee Armory – 9th & 23rd

**Maple Grove Community Center –**  
 2nd & 23rd

## LET'S TALK ABOUT PRESCHOOL

When talking about the first day of preschool with your little one, use words to show your excitement! Children can pick up the emotions that you may be feeling. By saying "I know that you're going to have a great day at preschool and I'm so excited for you!", this may make the idea of preschool less scary for your child!



## Books for back to school

**The Kissing Hand**  
 By: Audrey Penn



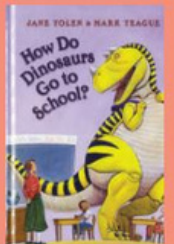
Chester the raccoon is sad about leaving his family when he has to go to school. What will he do when he misses his mom? His mother reassures him and gives him something special to remember her by during the day. What special something will you share with your little one?

**Chu's First Day of School**  
 By: Neil Gaiman and Adam Rex



A little panda named Chu is about to go to school for the first time, but he's a bit nervous! Will he make friends? Will he have fun at school? This colorful and adorable book is a wonderful way to talk to your little one about the first day of preschool.

**How Do Dinosaurs Go To School?**  
 By: Jane Yolen and Mark Teague



The dinosaurs are having trouble behaving well at school! Can you help them make better choices? This fun and colorful book will help your child learn what behaviors are appropriate for school!