3,258 CHILDREN IN 'HEAD START'

New registration figures for Project Head Start released Monday by the Orleans Parish School Board show that 3,258 pre-school children are attending 164 classes in 44 public schools.

Dr. Edwin Stumpf, acting director of special projects for the school board, said 12 additional teachers were added Monday to accommodate 12 new classes for 240 students.

He said registration would continue through the end of this week and is expected to reach the 3,500-student goal established for the program.

Classes are averaging 20 students, and each is handled by a professional teacher, a teacher assistant and a classroom volunteer. This averages one adult in the class for every seven students, Dr. Stumpf noted.

Byron L. Pinsky, Head Start school community coordinator, said volunteer recruitment is under way for the second four weeks of the program which begins July 19.

Volunteers will serve in the classroom each week day from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. as assistants to teachers. They will participate in any activities involving instruction of the children, such as story-telling, games, field trips to the zoo and other places.

Prospective volunteers may contact the Head Start volunteer office, 4219 S. Miro, by calling TW 7-2201 Mondays through Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.