

Rosa County School District Pre-Kindergarten Programs

Monthly Report for the month of May 2015

Submitted to the School Board

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EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND HEALTH SERVICES

Education

- Preschool students participated in graduation and end-of-year activities to celebrate completing Head Start and Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten. Students and families were provided with a resource book that will help them continue learning throughout the summer.
- Head Start and Early Head Start will begin using a new curriculum and assessment for the 2015-16 school year. Frog Street is a comprehensive, research-based curriculum that integrates instruction across developmental domains and early learning disciplines. The assessment tool, Teaching Strategies Gold is an authentic, ongoing observational system for assessing children through kindergarten. It helps teachers observe students in the context of everyday experiences. During the Pre-K Summer Institute, teachers and staff will receive training on both the curriculum and assessment. This should be a very smooth transition as the curriculum and assessment are aligned with the Head Start Child Development Early Learning Framework and the Florida Early Learning Standards.
- The fourth observational period has been completed and assessment data indicates that students made progress within the domains of learning. The data results for the 2014-15 school year are as follows:

Domains of Learning	Oct. 2014	May 2015	Progress Made
Approaches to Learning	38%	91%	53%
Cognition and General Knowledge	26%	83%	57%
Language and Literacy	33%	83%	50%
Physical Development and Health	51%	86%	35%
Social and Emotional Development	50%	87%	37%

Environmental Health and Safety

Safety continues to be our number one priority each and every school day!

We continue to be 100% in compliance with the monthly School-Site Safety Compliance and Reporting requirements. (This also includes our 6 Head Start classrooms located at other District School Sites)

- ✓ The monthly Fire Drill for TRJ was conducted on May 19th.
- ✓ We had our 4th and final Site Safety meeting with all of the staff on May 4th.
- ✓ We had one 911 Emergency Response initiated for one of our Early Head Start students during the month of May.

Health and Nutrition

- The Head Start students and staff have enjoyed participating in a "Fruit and Veggie Challenge!" over the last month. Prizes were given out by the Florida Extension Office to those students and staff that completely filled out their Fruit and Veggie participation chart. We also had the teachers and staff complete an annual evaluation on the Nutrition programs and classes that the Florida Extension office offered during the 2014-15 school year.
- We have completed the 3rd and final Growth Assessment and BMI calculation on all of the Early Head Start & Head Start students.
- We continue to track and monitor all of our students and assisting their parents in making sure they keep them up-to-date on all immunizations, physicals, and state requirements for the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) schedule. This also includes Lead and Hemoglobin testing.

Dental

- Daily Dental Hygiene continues to be promoted daily both in the classroom and in conjunction with meals. We continue to track and monitor the dental treatment program for many of our students. Some of our students will continue their dental treatment program during the summer months.
- **School (TRJ) Clinic Totals**

	May	Yearly Total
Total Medications Administered	85	597
Minor Injuries	20	190
Major Injuries	0	0
Total First Aid Administered	20	190
Physical Complaints	75	942
Intentional Injuries	0	2
Chronic Conditions	57	507
Head Lice & Scabies (screening only)	18	350
Head Lice & Scabies (positives only)	2	35
Other	7	1151
Medication Intake	11	82
Total Paraprofessional Visits	275	3,856
Dispositions		
• Returned to Class	245	3,464
• Sent Home	18	307
• Medication Intake (to the clinic)	11	82
• Emergency Response (911)	1	3
Total Dispositions	275	3,856

PROGRAM DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT

Fiscal

- The Five Year Head Start Continuation Grant was approved by the Policy Council on May 8th and by the School Board on May 21st. The Grant was sent to Office of Head Start on May 28th and the program is waiting notification of an Award.

Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, and Attendance (ERSEA)

Attendance

- Attendance information reported to the Office of Head Start was as follows:
 - ✓ Early Head Start – 90%
 - ✓ Head Start – 87%

PARENT, FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (PFCE)

- Gail Patterson, our contracted mental health professional, closed out her year with our program and reported 113 informal consultations that resulted in 20 formal referrals. Gail facilitated two Parent Talk meetings for parents, and two Gabbing with Gail staff meetings in the spring. These meetings were designed to provide responses to questions related to early childhood development, behavior, and stress. The responses to these gatherings have led to more emphasis being placed on them for the 2015-16 school year.