

Santa Rosa County School District Pre-Kindergarten Programs

Monthly Report for the months of February & March 2016

Submitted to the School Board

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EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND HEALTH SERVICES

Education

- Family Night was a huge success! Families were invited to enjoy a pizza dinner and participate in Literacy Training with Jonathan Dills, Lakeshore Regional Manager. The children participated in special activities that were focused on the life cycle of a butterfly. The parents and children had a wonderful time!
- The Readiness Leadership Team met to discuss the second observational period data. Outcomes reports indicated that students had made significant progress in the five essential domains.

Domain	Second Observational Period Data
Approaches to Learning	78%
Cognitive	71%
Language and Literacy	83%
Physical	66%
Social and Emotional	66%

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)
- Our Monthly Fire Drills were conducted on Tuesday, February 16th and Tuesday, March 15th.
- A CPR/AED/FIRST AID Certification class is scheduled for our staff on April 20, 2016

Health and Nutrition

- The Santa Rosa County Extension Office continued **Nutrition Lessons** for our 2, 3, and 4 year old Head Start and Early Head Start students. The 3 and 4 year old HS students have just completed a "Fruit and Veggie Challenge" with a goal of tracking and increasing consumption of these important food groups.
- A **"CANNING" Workshop for our parents** was conducted by The Florida Extension Office on Friday, February 26th. Participants received free materials, recipes, instruction on canning, how to safely preserve foods, and a jar of homemade Sweet Strawberry Jam.
- **NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK** was celebrated during the week of March 7th to March 11th. We had many fun educational activities throughout the week. Over 100 parents joined us for breakfast on Wednesday, March 9th. The Santa Rosa Extension Office provided healthy "Smoothies" for everyone and the Santa Rosa County Health Department personnel were dressed in fruit and vegetable costumes! It was a fun day for everyone that participated!

- **PURPLE UP DAY:** April is the... **Month of the Military Child!!** The month of April offers us a special opportunity to acknowledge and honor the service of our littlest heroes, our military children. The **Month of the Military Child** recognizes the important role military children play in our communities. At T.R. Jackson we currently have 19 students who have parents that are serving in the military. These children are resilient and proud of their service, and they deserve our support!
- As a way to honor our military students for their sacrifice and courage, T.R. Jackson will host a “**PURPLE UP DAY.**” The color purple represents a combination of colors of all the military branches. On Thursday, April 28th, students and staff at TR Jackson are encouraged to wear purple as a way to pay tribute to our littlest heroes, because “**THOSE WHO WAIT ALSO SERVE!**” We will also be honoring our military students and their families with a breakfast that same morning!!

Dental

- Daily Dental Hygiene continues to be promoted both in the classroom and in conjunction with meals.
- All students do a minimum of one thorough tooth brushing daily. We completed all Head Start and Early Head Start class dental trips and Dental Treatment Plan letters have now been mailed out to all parents/guardians along with the Form 5 from the Florida Department of Health Dental Clinic. We continue to track all students needing any further dental treatment and contacting and sending out reminders to those specific parents.

School (TRJ) Clinic Totals

	February	March	Yearly Total
Total Medications Administered	35	28	199
Minor Injuries	29	35	168
Major Injuries	0	0	1
Total First Aid Administered	29	35	169
Physical Complaints	102	89	744
Intentional Injuries	1	0	1
Chronic Conditions	20	9	134
Head Lice & Scabies (screening only)	31	20	181
Head Lice & Scabies (positives only)	1	2	18
Other	33	25	607
Medication Intake	5	5	43
Total Paraprofessional Visits	257	213	2096
Dispositions			
• Returned to Class	215	174	1777
• Sent Home	37	34	273
• Medication Intake (to the clinic)	5	5	44
• Emergency Response (911)	0	0	2
Total Dispositions	257	213	2096

Vision, Hearing, and Growth Assessment Screenings

- Vision, Hearing, and Growth Assessment Screenings are on-going for any new students. Re-Test, Referrals, and Follow-Up continue for those students requiring further evaluation. Letters have also been sent home to parents regarding expired or expiring health requirements such as physicals, immunizations, and the lead/hemoglobin tests. Child Plus continues to be updated daily with new student information, updated physicals and/or shot records, dental information, etc...

PROGRAM DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT (PDM)

- A letter was received as formal notice that from 1/19/2016 to 1/21/2016, Santa Rosa County School District successfully passed the Head Start Key Indicators-Compliant (HSKI-C) Review Event and thus qualified for differential monitoring based on the result of the monitoring review.
- Two additional reviews will be done: Environment Health and Safety and CLASS (Classroom Assessment Scoring System) for Head Start grantees or Comprehensive Services/School Readiness for EHS grantees during the remaining course of the 5-year grant monitoring process.
- The Policy Council also met in February to discuss a need to make some changes to the Policy Council Bylaws. These changes/revisions will be submitted to the Board for approval at a later date.

Fiscal

- The Head Start program received the Financial Assistance Award on Monday, February 29, 2016 for grant period March 2016-February 2017.
- Seven schools in Santa Rosa County receive Head Start funding for Pre-K to provide a quality program to serve children and families. The program plans to apply for a COLA Grant when funding is available.

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

- Daily average attendance for the months of February and March is as follows:

	Early Head Start	Head Start	VPK
February	85%	88%	90%
March	86%	90%	90%

- Nineteen percent (19%) of students enrolled in Early Head Start/Head Start have an IEP or IFSP.