

**Kerrville Independent School District  
Early Childhood Programs  
including Head Start**

November 2009

# Program Report

## Campus Happenings

The annual ECC Fall Festival was held on Tuesday, November 24 with a new twist. Favorite activities of students' such as the face painting, football toss, and rhythm & music booths were all still offered. However, this year each booth flew the banner of a different university. In addition, students, staff and volunteers were encouraged to wear clothing representing their favorite college. While fun for the students, the festival theme also served to meet at least one objective

of the ECC Campus Improvement Plan. Goal 1, Objective 4 states that students will be exposed to various opportunities and experiences to promote careers and post-secondary education. It is our belief that students are never too young to start considering all the possibilities their futures hold.

On October 8 the ECC participated in *Jumpstart's Read for the Record* campaign. On that day children across the country and

around the world took part in reading Eric Carle's *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. On November 30, teacher Lezlie Sirianni received word that students of the ECC were part of making history with 2,019,752 children reading the same book on that day. Congratulations!

The Head Start Policy Council met on November 9. In addition to approving the action items, they received training and information regarding the upcoming Head Start Federal Review.

### ENROLLMENT

Head Start	97
Dual (HS & PPCD)	3
Prekindergarten 3s	97
Prekindergarten 4s	61
PPCD AM	7
PPCD PM	9
TCDC	49
TCDC Teen Parents	12

### WAITING LIST

Head Start	10
TCDC	
*Staff	9
*Expectant Teens	3

## Component Area News

### Education/Disabilities/ERSE

- Work on the classroom space for the *Ready Bodies Learning Minds* lab has been completed. The equipment is being set up and classes are scheduled to begin utilizing the lab the second week in December.
- Four full special education evaluations and five speech evaluations are pending. Eleven HS and one PK student have already been identified as having disabilities. Three of the eleven HS students are dually enrolled in PPCD.
- Two LPAC meetings were held for new students enrolled in PK 3.

### Family & Community Involvement/Attendance/Transition/Volunteers

- The Parent Committee meeting was held on November 5 with 40% of parents attending. The topic was Family Literacy.
- Ninety-eight parents volunteered during our Thanksgiving Feast and Fall Festival events.
- Twenty-two families to date have had some level of CPS involvement.
- A Poverty Simulation was held for Leadership Kerr County to help sensitize local leaders to the needs of low income families in our community.

### Health/Mental Health/Campus Safety/Nutrition

- First aid was provided to 89 ECC students.
- Letters were sent home to Head Start parents of children in the obese range. Appointments were scheduled with the HS Nutrition Consultant, Laverne Boles.
- Met with the Mental Health consultant, Olga Justice, to discuss two HS student concerns.
- Nutrition lessons and Yello Dyno lessons continue in each classroom.
- A fire drill and shelter in place drill were conducted.
- Traffic safety was monitored daily.

### ATTENDANCE

- 89.2% Campus wide
- 91% Head Start
- 90% PK A.M.
- 92% PK P.M.
- 79% PPCD A.M.
- 94% PPCD P.M.

### USDA MEALS

HS BREAKFASTS	1646
HS LUNCHES	1594