



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

March 2010

Program Report

Campus Happenings

The KISD Head Start Program received its *Overview of Findings* in regard to the monitoring visit held in December. The report cites several program strengths with the overarching theme being the continuum of educational opportunities from early childhood to college level offered by KISD to the children and families of the community.

Among the strengths noted is the collaboration between early childhood programs (HS, PK, PPCD, and TCDC) made possible by the shared cam-

pus. Highlighted as well is the KISD collaboration with the Alamo Community College which will help to meet some of the continuing educational needs of Head Start families and staff.

The implementation of additional curricula (*Ready Bodies/Learning Minds* and *Kelso*) is noted for "increasing the likelihood for success as children move from Head Start to kindergarten."

Last, but not least, kudos are given to the dedicated group

of people involved in the program from the Board of Directors to the staff, which includes six former Head Start parents.

One Area of Noncompliance was determined. First semester payroll certifications had not been done for employees charged to the Head Start grant. The appropriate paperwork was completed on December 17, 2009, bringing the program into compliance. Additionally, a procedure was implemented to ensure continued compliance.

ENROLLMENT

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| Head Start | 96 |
| Dual (HS & PPCD) | 4 |
| Prekindergarten 3s | 92 |
| Prekindergarten 4s | 56 |
| PPCD AM | 6 |
| PPCD PM | 5 |
| TCDC Total | 53 |
| Staff/Teens | 39/14 |

WAITING LISTS

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| Head Start | 12 |
| TCDC: | |
| *Staff | 15 |
| *Expectant Teens | 1 |

Component Area News

Education/Disabilities/ERSE

- Applications for the 2010-2011 school year are now available in the ECC office. Parents interested in enrolling a child who turns 3 or 4 by September 1 may stop by the office to pick up a packet and make an enrollment appointment.
- Teachers completed the second parent conference on all enrolled children.
- In honor of children's authors, Eric Carle and Dr. Seuss, a *Very Hungry Caterpillar Scavenger Hunt* and a *Dr. Seuss Parade* were held.



Family & Community Involvement/Attendance/Transition/Volunteers

- The Parent Committee meeting was held on March 4th with 22% of parents attending. By popular demand, "Bingo for Books" was played again.
- Parents were offered education about appropriate ways of dealing with stress.
- Twenty-seven families to date have had some level of CPS involvement. One family was assisted in locating daycare.
- The Tally Elementary Council donated one book for each of our ECC students. Money was raised selling goodies on campus on Valen-

tine's Day. Thanks Tally! Health/Mental Health/Campus Safety/Nutrition

- First aid was provided to 98 ECC and DAP students.
- Followed-up on required immunizations and HS physical and dental exams through phone calls, home visits, letters and teacher conferences.
- Participated in a dental webinar.
- Yello Dyno lessons continued in all classrooms.
- A fire drill was conducted on March 31st.
- Traffic safety was monitored daily.
- Bus evacuation drills were conducted on March 9th.
- Continued monthly nutrition lessons with Rene Walls.

ATTENDANCE

- 91% Campus wide
- 92% Head Start
- 91% PK A.M.
- 92% PK P.M.
- 87% PPCD A.M.
- 91% PPCD P.M.

USDA MEALS

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| HS BREAKFASTS | 1685 |
| HS LUNCHES | 1684 |