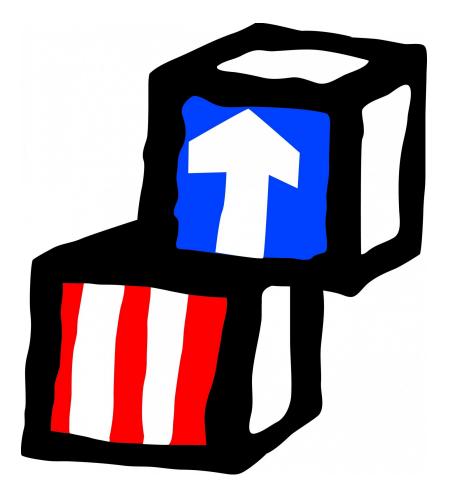
Calcasieu Parish School Board Head Start Annual Report 2015-2016

" Providing High Quality Early Childhood Education for All Families and Children"



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Calcasieu Parish School Board Members

Member	District
Aaron Natail	1
Fredman Hardy	2
Glenda Gay	3
Annette Ballard	4
Ron Hayes	5
Dean Roberts	6
Mack Dellafosse	7
Eric Tarver	8
Damon Hardesty	9
Alvin Smith	10
Chad Guidry	11
Chuck Hensen	12
Billy Breaux	13
Wayne Williams	14
John Duhon	15

Calcasieu Head Start Policy Council Members

Name	Head Start Site	Position
Tara Breaux	J.I. Watson Elementary	Representative
Dana Bryant	Brenda Hunter	Representative
Lee Carter	Brenda Hunter	Representative
Jo Ann Cooks	Brenda Hunter	Representative
Sonia Lewis	Brenda Hunter	Representative
Dr. Kathy Lewis-Thomas	J.D. Clifton Elementary	Representative
Patricia Parker	Jake Drost	Representative
Wendy Primeaux	Community Representative	Representative
Misty (Ruth) Richmond	DeQuincy Primary	Representative
Felicia Schnexnayder	J.D. Clifton Elementary	Representative
Mack Dellafosse	School Board Member	Representative
Desiree Eaglin	Brenda Hunter	Alternate
Whitney McKinnie	Brenda Hunter	Alternate
Tara Newsom	Jake Drost	Alternate
Sonia Pete	J.I. Watson Elementary	Alternate
Damin Schexnayder	J.D. Clifton Elementary	Alternate
Shantel Stewart	Brenda Hunter	Alternate
Kendra Suchanek	DeQuincy Primary	Alternate
Ivy Walker	Brenda Hunter	Alternate
Stacy Williams	J.D. Clifton Elementary	Alternate

Federal Head Start Grant Funds

\$3,698,218.00

Public and Private Funds

\$7,875.06

Budget Expenditures

Category	Budget
Child/Family/Parent Services	\$14,548.49
Contractual	\$24,651.36
Maintenance	\$36,180.10
Nutrition Services	\$56,980.09
Other Supplies	\$121,977.20
Publications/Printing/Advertising	\$1,840.78
Salaries and Administrative Costs	\$3,355,056.61
T & TA	\$40,318.50
Training & Staff Development	\$975.00
Transportation	\$12,991.47
Utilities	\$32,698.40
TOTAL	\$3,698,218.00

Proposed Budget

Category	Budget
Child/Family/Parent Services	\$19,800.00
Contractual	\$34,272.00
Maintenance	\$20,000.00
Nutrition Services	\$55,348.00
Other Supplies	\$27,320.00
Publications/Printing/Advertising	\$2,800.00
Salaries and Administrative Costs	\$3,403,797.00
Т & ТА	\$40,529.00
Training & Staff Development	\$0.00
Transportation	\$41,352.00
Utilities	\$53,000.00
TOTAL	\$3,698,218.00

Financial Audit

100%

Grantee 2016 Federal Review

100%

Total Number of Children and Families Served

Funded Enrollment	450
Total Number of Children Served	539
Total Number of Families Served	529
Total Number of Eligible Children	359
Total Number of Over-income Children	27

Monthly Enrollment and Daily Attendance

Month	Funded Enrollment	Enrollment	Percentage
August 2015	450	459	102%
September 2015	450	466	104%
October 2015	450	461	102%
November 2015	450	460	102%
December 2015	450	461	102%
January 2016	450	460	102%
February 2016	450	453	101%
March 2016	450	458	102%
April 2016	450	447	99%
May 2016	450	441	98%

Parent Involvement

All topics were based on the self-assessment, community assessment, and parent and teacher surveys.

Parent Training	Center Activities
Literacy – Parent Engagement in Building and Developing Verbal and Conceptual Skills (Reading Aloud)	Classroom Volunteer Opportunities: Curriculum, Parent-Teacher Conferences, Home Visits
Health: Parent Engagement in Maternal Health, Nutrition and Physical Activity: Healthy Eating, Active Play, Tips for Pregnant Moms	Field Trips, Center Projects
Child Growth and Development: Social-Emotional Development	Center Parent Committee Meetings, Parent-Child Activities
Policy Council Training	Quarterly Policy Council Meetings
Potty Training	Health Services Advisory Committee Meetings
Tax Preparation	Head Start Transition Meetings
Financial Goal Planning and Building Your Credit	Head Start School Readiness Goals
Health Literacy: Key to Understanding and Using Health Information, Lead: What is it?	Male/Father Engagement
Stress Management and Domestic Violence	Family Partnership and Goal Setting Parent Interviews
Stages of Child Development	Well-Child Health Parent Interviews
Parenthood	Family Literacy Night

Health Summary

Student Health Summary	Student Percentage
Medical Examinations completed	100%
Dental Examinations completed	100%
Immunizations up-to-date	100%
Dental Treatment Needed	10% (56)
Children with Asthma	9% (50)
Iron Deficiency Anemia	8% (44)
Vision Referrals	8% (43)
Families receiving Medicaid	99% (537)
Families with private benefits	1% (2)
Families receiving military benefits	0%

Positive Outcomes can be attributed to the following:

- Early Intervention health screening
- Individualized Health Plan
- Parent Interviews (Exit interviews after screening in May/June and Well-child Health Care Conference in August)
- Medical and Dental Partnerships with community agencies to establish medical and dental homes for Head Start families
- Positive relationships with community providers and Head Start Health Services

Early Childhood Care and Education Act of 2012

Calcasieu Parish School Board Early Childhood Department transitioned from participating in Louisiana's Early Childhood Community Pilot to the Lead Agency. The Lead Agency is under a unified state system of academic and development standards, enrollment, and teacher preparation expectations. Serving as the Lead Agency allows for the coordination of activities among Child Care, Head Start, and Pre-Kindergarten providers in Calcasieu Parish. The Lead Agency is responsible for ensuring all early childhood centers are included in the CLASS observation and improvement system and that all families may participate in a school or program choice through a unified coordinated enrollment process and application for children under age 5. Every classroom is observed twice, reporting results to the state and sharing feedback with all programs to support teachers to improve. Both responsibilities are final elements of the state's implementation of Act 3 of the 2012 legislative session, unifying the state's previously fragmented system of early childhood education.

Transitions to Pre-Kindergarten

The Calcasieu Parish Head Start approach to School Readiness means that children are ready for pre-kindergarten, families are ready to support their children's learning, and the pre-kindergarten programs are ready for the children. Calcasieu Parish Head Start students and parents were provided several opportunities to learn about and prepare for the 2015-2016 school year. The Head Start program made an effort to prepare students and their families for Pre-Kindergarten by conducting Transition meetings during the end of January and the beginning of February 2016. The goal of these meetings was to inform parents of the necessary requirements for enrolling in Pre-Kindergarten.

Parents were informed of their responsibilities for registering their child for Pre-Kindergarten at the Transition meetings. Each parent received the guidelines for registering for Pre-K. The parents were informed of the needed documents and to register at their in-zone school.

Families of students that enroll at the beginning of the school year or at other times during the year are provided with a packet of information about the Head Start program, including a copy of the parent handbook. In addition, parents also attended orientation, open house, and parent conferences. Families were given the opportunity to visit the classrooms, meet administrators, the family engagement specialists, and other staff involved with students to ask about the program and the curriculum. Each student was sent home with a "Summer Transition Packet". This packet was designed to assist with the transition from Head Start to the Pre-Kindergarten classroom. It also provided information and strategies for parents to utilize with the students during the summer months. The goal of the "Summer Transition Packet" is to help parents continue assisting students with the transition to Pre-Kindergarten.