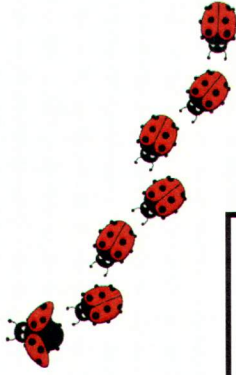


Pasco County Head Start Policy Council Newsletter November 2016



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October Fast Facts	
Head Start Enrollment	701
Head Start Average Attendance	92%
Early Head Start Enrollment	134
Early Head Start Average Attendance	86%
Breakfasts Served	12,874
Lunches Served	12,260
Snacks Served	13,046
Children with diagnosed disabilities Head Start	13%
Children with diagnosed disabilities Early Head Start	7%



Family Resource Night for east side families will be at PES, Nov 17 5:00-6:30 pm

Head Start Program Performance Standards-Final Rule

The new Head Start Performance Standards: Reduce administrative burden to allow grantees to focus on outcomes over process. It maintains core Head Start principles, including comprehensive services, parent engagement, enrolling the highest need children and valuing diversity. The standards give emphasis on strengthening family engagement, health services and education services.

Self-Assessment Overview

Program improvement is an important part of the Head Start/Early Head Start program. Programs regularly assess their own management systems/operations to strengthen the services delivered to children. The self-assessment is a multi-stage process and examines adherence to the Head Start Performance Standards, the effectiveness of services to children and families, how the program is doing in monitoring the School Readiness goals, and in what areas we can improve.

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Serving families so that all children can learn and grow in a healthy, nurturing environment.

Program Governance Mission: To work in collaboration with the Grantee and Governing Boards to ensure the program is in compliance with all of the Federal and State requirements in order to continue to provide comprehensive services to expectant mother/children and families

