



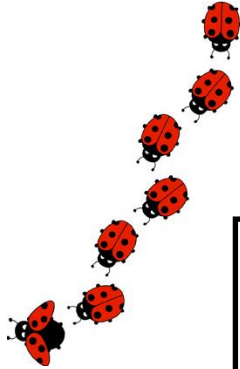
Pasco County Head Start October 2016 Policy Council



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September Fast Facts

Head Start Enrollment	705
Head Start Average Attendance	93%
Early Head Start Enrollment	128
Early Head Start Average Attendance	87%
Breakfasts Served	13,507
Lunches Served	12,426
Snacks Served	14,420
Children with diagnosed disabilities Head Start	12%
Children with diagnosed disabilities Early Head Start	5%



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Community Assessment

The Community Assessment process was discussed at length. The process examines needs in the community and the demographic trends that should be used for planning the Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, Attendance (ERSEA) process. The program looks at overall population, population growth, children under 5 years, unemployment rates, homelessness, foster care and other needs. The Community Assessment Family Input survey is shared with parents and will be collected in January.

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The Head Start program began as a summer program in 1964. In 1965 it became a full day program. Pasco County received the Head Star grant in 1968. Early Head Start began under President Bill Clinton in 1995. Pasco County was awarded the grant in 2003. In 2007, President Bush approved the School Readiness initiative. Thirty Million children are served by Head Start nationwide.

New Officers

Chairman: Victoria Gunther, FHES
Co-Chairman: Anton Kerr, FHES-EHS
Secretary: Stephani Bryant, NWES
Alt. Secretary: Cierra Ashley, RES

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

