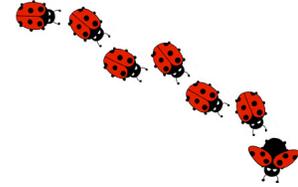




Pasco County Head Start February 2014 Policy Council



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January Fast Facts	
Head Start Enrollment	643
Head Start Average Monthly Attendance	90%
Early Head Start Enrollment	108
Early Head Start Average Monthly Attendance	91%
# of children on the waiting list	HS-670 EHS-298
# of children with a disability	HS-76 EHS-12
Breakfasts Served	12,308
Lunches Served	12,553
Snacks Served	12,403

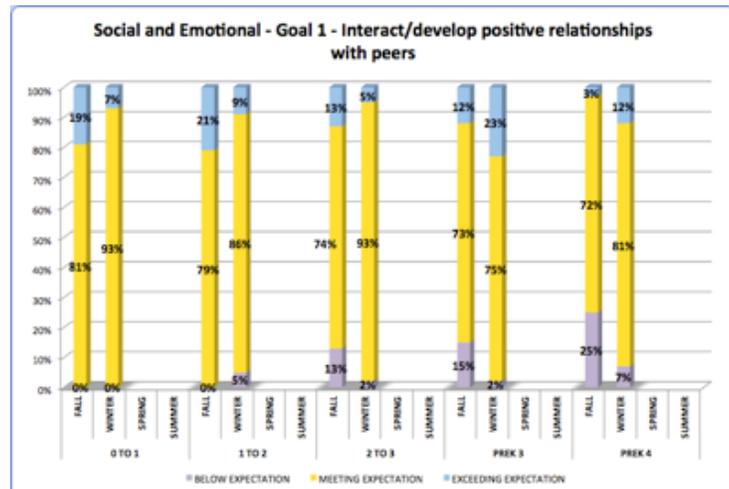
School Readiness Data

As a program, we use the Teaching Strategies GOLD assessment to measure children's growth. Four times a year, teachers/caregivers/home services workers complete a checkpoint to determine a child's progress towards 36 objectives (38 objectives for our Dual Language Learners). By analyzing these checkpoints, we can determine areas of strength and areas for improvement across the program. This month, we spent time reviewing the results from the fall and winter checkpoints. As a program, we create graphs to show progress towards our prioritized school readiness goals. Below is a sample graph that we viewed. As the school year progresses, we would like to see a decrease in the purple section of the graph (representing children below age band expectations) and an increase in the yellow and blue sections (representing children meeting or exceeding age band expectations).

Parent Survey Preliminary Results

Based on preliminary parent survey results, we are seeing that parents are satisfied with program staff; parents see growth in their child's social/emotional development; and parents are satisfied with family engagement activities, speakers, and handouts. We have identified several areas to strengthen including: results from health screenings; monthly menus; and awareness of topics that the child is working on at home or in the center.

The parent survey window has been extended until Friday, March 7. Please take the time to complete our parent survey. If you do not have access to a computer, please contact your FSW/HSW/SE. We can make arrangements for you to use a computer at a school site, or we can provide you with a paper copy of the survey. We look forward to your feedback!



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

The second home visit window is now open! Your teacher/caregiver should be contacting you to arrange your second home visit. All home visits should be completed by Friday, March 7.

