



Pasco County Head Start April 2013 Policy Council



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March Fast Facts	
Head Start Enrollment	696
Head Start Average Attendance	91%
Early Head Start Enrollment	128
Early Head Start Average Attendance	84%
Expectant Mothers Served	4
Breakfasts Served	11,133
Lunches Served	11,354
Snacks Served	11,219

Second Steps

Second Steps (a social-emotional curriculum) will be available in our classrooms next year! The Second Steps program teaches children skills they need to succeed both socially and academically. It provides our children with developmentally appropriate lessons to develop skills, such as empathy, problem solving, and self-regulation. These skills are necessary for a child to be successful and ready to learn. We are very excited to incorporate this program into our classrooms!

Position Changes

Due to sequestration, our program asked the Policy Council to approve two position changes for Early Head Start. Since our Early Head Start Registered Nurse was leaving the program, we asked to change the position to a Licensed Practical Nurse. Also, we have two Early Head Start Coordinators (Program Coordinator and Social Services Coordinator). Since our Social Services Coordinator is retiring, we asked to reduce the number of workdays for the Social Services Coordinator position from year round to 230 days. This also resulted in a salary change for this position. The Policy Council approved these position changes for the Early Head Start program.

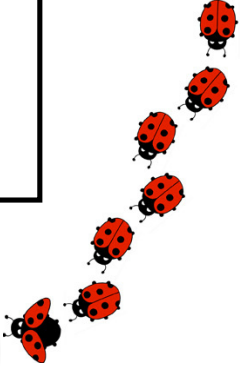
Volunteer Luncheon is Friday, May 10. Volunteers who met the requirement of 20 volunteer hours should have received an invitation. We can't wait to celebrate our amazing volunteers!



Program Updates

The program shared the Grant Application Budget Instrument (GABI) report with the Policy Council for the next program year. Also, it is that time of year when agreements must be updated and approved. Several different agreements were approved at this Policy Council meeting, including, Tooth Caboose, Premier Community Healthcare Group, and Healthy Families.

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



Literacy Nights are now taking place at your child's school! Please contact your child's teacher to find out more information. We hope you will attend!

