## Edmonds College Head Start & Early Head Start

# Annual Report 2020-2021



**Empowering Families Since 1965** 

### Message from the Executive Director

Community Neighbors-

Edmonds College Head Start/ECEAP & Early Head Start began the 2020-2021 school year offering virtual learning. The COVID-19 pandemic brought many challenges that led to "outside of the box thinking." Our staff met these challenges with creative thinking. Our coaches and managers trained and supported staff to deliver quality virtual services. Our IT/Data team organized and ordered devices so that staff and families had access to a virtual platform.



Our kitchen staff worked with the school districts to hand out over 150,000 grab and go breakfast & lunches to community children ages 0-18. This was an effort to ensure that our community children still received nutritious meals during virtual learning. The kitchen staff worked tirelessly through winter break and spring break to make sure families had food for their children.

I am very proud to work with such excellent staff who are caring and community minded.

Warmest Regards,

Ginger Williams

**Ginger Williams** 

**Executive Director** 

### Mission Statement

To inspire learning and contribute to the health and well-being of enrolled low–income children ages 0-5 and their parents by providing exemplary services and exceptional educational programming. We believe success comes through partnerships with parents and community.

### **Our Program Services...**

### **Head Start /ECEAP**

Child development and family support services available for children ages 3 to 5 who are low-income and reside in Snohomish County. Services include comprehensive preschool, home visits, parent and child activities, health screenings, meals, opportunities to volunteer, and parent involvement activities. Part day and school day preschool classes, 4 days a week to help support school readiness.



### **Early Head Start—Home Base**

Our Early Head Start program serves families with children birth to three years in a Home Base model. Home Base involves weekly home visits that offer child development activities to help enhance school readiness goals at an early age.

The home base program also offers monthly socialization events for each family. Group socializations are a time that parents and their children can come together and focus on interacting with each other while participating in age appropriate activities.

### **Parent Involvement**

We need parents and family members to become involved in the program to ensure strong parent leadership in guiding the direction of the program. We encourage parents to visit their child's classroom, become a program volunteer, attend parent meetings, and work with your child at home. We believe that parents are their child's first teacher.



## Consolidated Statement of Activity Year Ending 2021 Public Support & Revenue



### Functional Expenses Year Ending 2021

Personnel Costs \$ 5,962,191 Supplies & Materials \$ 254,436 Utilities 81,038 \$ 272,840 **Building Lease** Repair & Maint. 51,096 Local & Training Travel 23,486 Indirect 431,565 Other 408,318

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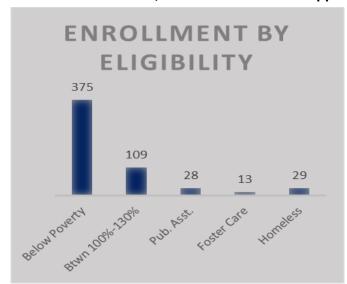
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### **Families We Serve**

Edmonds Community College Head Start & Early Head Start served more than 500 families in the 2020/2021 school year. Each child comes to us with a family; therefore, we work with families to help children become more successful in school. We know that if a child is hungry, cold, or feeling sick, they will not be at their full learning potential. We make sure each family has their basic needs met so that they are more successful at focusing on meeting their child's educational needs.

### Parent Education, Classroom Volunteer Opportunities & Parent Leadership Opportunities



## We Supported Families with Community Resources in 2020-2021

Emergency/Crisis Intervention	171
Housing Assistance	69
Mental Health Services	27
ESL Training	83
Adult ED	89
Substance Abuse	3
Child Support Assistance	6
Health Education	165
Parent Education	362
Finance Education	42

Total: Over 1,000 Community Resource Referrals!







### **School Readiness!**

Edmonds Community College Head Start & Early Head Start strives to achieve high standards in our services to children and families. Therefore we have set school readiness goals so that children leave our program with skills and competence in the following areas:

- -Positive Approaches to Learning
- -Social Emotional Development
- -Language/Literacy Development

- Improved Cognition
- Physical/Motor Development

Our program tracks children's growth and development in these areas with a data base tracking system that aligns with Washington State public school system. We work closely with public schools for a smooth kindergarten transition which helps to ensure that children are ready for Kindergarten!

#### **Quality Programming**

- 100% Preschool Teacher have an Associates or Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood
- 60% Teachers in Home Base have a BA Degree in Social Work
- 95% of all teaching/home visiting staff have more than 5 years' experience with our program.



### **Program Overview**

- 9 Classroom Sites
- ♦ 132 Families Enrolled in EHS-Home Base Services
- 283 children enrolled in Part Day Head Start preschool classrooms
- ♦ 76 Families enrolled in ECEAP Services
- 90% of staff work directly with children & families

### Spring 2020-2021 Child Outcomes

Percent of children meeting or exceeding widely held expectations (127 children transitioning to kindergarten).

Social/Emotional	90%
Physical	94%
Cognitive	90%
Literacy	88%
Math	81%

### **Healthy, Growing Children**

Edmonds Community College Head Start & Early Head Start knows that healthy children are happy, learning children. Some requirements of our program are to complete developmental assessments, track well-child exams and health screens for every child. These assessments have helped many children receive much needed services and resources that might have otherwise gone unnoticed. We know that the earlier a child receives services, the more successful they will be in school.

### Program Health Requirements

- Eye exams
- Developmental Age Screen
- Hearing Screen
- Social/Emotional Screen
- Well Child Exams by Physician
- Dental Exams
- Outside Play (weather permitting)
- USDA Meals Day



### 2020-2021

### **Medical/Dental**

- 83% Children served received medical care while in program.
- 81% Children served received dental care while in program.



Prenatal Services
Services Include

- ♦ 6 families received prenatal services
- Fetal development education
- ♦ Nutrition assessment
- Home safety survey

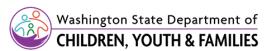
### **Edmonds Community College - Head Start & Early Head Start**

Offering free preschool programming and family services to low-income families who qualify!

- Preschool classes 4 days a week for 3-5 year olds.
- Home Base services for children birth to three years.
- Hearing/vision screens.
- Child development assessments.
- Parent engagement activities.







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