GRANTEE Webb County Commissioners Court

General Information

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Overall Vision for Growth:

To improve the quality of services offered to enrolled children and families by using school readiness goals, the Head Start Parent, Family, and Community Engagement Framework, advanced technological resources, providing professional development designed to improve instruction and learning, and strengthening relationships with community partners.

Resources Available:

- Head Start, Early Head Start, CCP funding
- Webb County support/services (Commissioners Court, Attorney, Auditor, Treasurer, Purchasing Agent, Indigent Department, Community Action Agency, Administrative Services, IT, etc.)
- In-kind contributions from parents/community partners
- Laredo Community College, Texas A&M International University, United Independent School District, Laredo Independent School District, and Child Care Partners.

Strengths:

- ISD integrated classrooms.
- Degreed teachers (M.S., B. A. and A.A.)
- Experienced staff (20+ years with this program)
- Full-time Computer Specialist
- In-house Certified CPR/First Aid Trainers
- Numerous community partners
- Licensed Vocational Nurse to provide early intervention and prevention screenings.

Growth Areas to be addressed:

- Expand service sites based on community needs
- Increase enrollment of children with disabilities.
- Retain qualified teaching staff.
- Expand Partnerships with LEAs for dual enrollment.

Ongoing Professional Development to be addressed:

- On-going education for obtaining advanced degrees.
- On-going training needs for use of advanced technology.
- On-going training needs for volunteer recruitment.

ONE YEAR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Content Area	Outcome	Strategies	Person (s) Responsible	Resources Needed	Estimated Cost	Timetable	Evaluation
Alta	The program	1. The program	Head Start	Teaching	\$5,000	On-going	Content Area
Education	will ensure	will utilize the	Director	Strategies	ψ5,000	On going	Monitoring
	that all	Head Start Early	21100101	GOLD			Report
	enrolled	Learning	Assistant	assessment			r
	children	Outcomes	Director	kits			Outcome
	possess the	Framework that outlines the					Reports
	skills,	essential areas of	Education	Training			
	knowledge,	development and	Director				CLASS
	and attitudes	learning to		Parent,			Reports
	necessary for	establish and	Education	Family, and			
	success in	update school	Assistants	Community			
	school and	readiness goals for children, monitor		Engagement			
	later in life.	children's	Area	Framework			
		progress, align	Service	F 1 11 1			
		curricula, and	Managers	Early Head			
		conduct program	Cahaal	Start / Head			
		planning.	School Readiness	Start CLASS			
		2. The Domains will be represented	Team	instrument			
		in the School	1 Calli	Early			
		Readiness Goals.		Childhood			
		3. The Head Start		Environmental			
		Parent and Family		Rating Scale			
		Engagement		(ECERS)			
		foundations will be used to support		(=====)			
		school readiness					
		goals and child					
		outcomes such as					
		enhanced school					
		readiness skills,					
		sustained learning, and development					
		into elementary.					
		4. The program					
		will link health					
		and school					
		readiness by					
		identifying and treating children's					
		health issues and					
		helping families					
		comprehend					
		developmental					
		screening and referral, providing					
		engaging,					
		empowering, and					
		action-oriented					
		health education					
		programs that are					
		designed for and with families to					
		support child					
		development in					
		culturally and					
		linguistically					
		responsive and					

	meaningful ways,			
	as well as			
	prevention when			
	health issues affect			
	children's			
	learning.			
	5. The Head Start			
	Director and			
	Education Director			
	will present the			
	school readiness			
	goals to the			
	governing body			
	annually for input /			
	approval.			
	6. The School			
	Readiness Team			
	will ensure and			
[monitor progress			
	in aligning the			
	goals with the			
	Head Start Child			
	Development			
	Framework, Texas			
	Pre-Kinder			
	guideline, and the			
	requirements and			
	expectations of the			
	local education			
	agencies.			
	7. The			
	HS/EHSClassroom			
	Assessment			
	Scoring System			
	(CLASS)			
	instrument will be			
	used to assess the			
	quality of			
	classroom			
	interactional			
	processes. The			
	Education			
	Director,			
	Education			
	Assistants and			
	Area Service			
	Managers will			
	assess classrooms			
	two times in the			
[program year.			
]	8. The ECERS			
]	will assess the			
[quality of center-			
]	based child care			
]	services for			
[children from 2			
	through 5 years of			
[age. The			
[information in the			
	checklist pertains			
[to the classroom			
[
	environment,			

		children's supervision, classroom management, and adult/child interaction.					
Early Head Start – Child Care Partnerships	The program will have nine seamless, integrated classrooms with two private child care centers.	1. Revisit Memorandum of Understandings with each partner and amend as necessary. 2. Provide staff training regarding rules / regulations of Child Care Services and Early Head Start to staff assigned to each site. 3. Recruit, enroll children. 4. Provide on- going support and training to address any issues that may arise. 5. Provide on- going support and training related to New Head Start Program Performance Standards. 6. Continue working closely with Child Care Services (CCS) to meet and maintain 40% requirement for enrolled	Head Start Director Assistant Directors Education Director Teaching Staff	T&TA Funds	\$18,750	On-going On-going	Content Area Monitoring Report Licensing Reports
Early Head Start	The program will provide all services in compliance with Performance Standards.	children with CCS. 1. The EHS program will be fully enrolled at all times. 2. All EHS/HS employees will be provided with staff development opportunities to comply with mandated qualifications. 3. Any opportunity to apply for funding to expand EHS service will be considered. 4. ITERS will	Head Start Director Assistant Director I EHS Area Service Manager EHS Staff	Trainings Various supplies and equipment Infant/Toddler Environmental Rating Scale (ITERS)	\$50,000	On-going	State Licensing Reports Local Assessment Report Federal Review Results

		assess the quality of center-based child care services for children up to					
		30 months of age. It covers					
		furnishings and displays for					
		children, personal care routines,					
		listening and talking, learning					
		activities,					
		interaction, program structure,					
	All Head	and adult needs. 1. The program	Head Start	Training and	\$90,000	On-going	Personnel
	Start, Early	will provide opportunities for	Director	Technical	φ,σο,σοσ	on going	Records
Career and Professional	Head Start, and Child	employees to	Education	Assistance Funds			Staff Training
Development	Care	comply with mandated trainings	Director				Logs
	Partnership employees	/ certifications / credentials.	Education				Professional
	will comply	2. The program	Assistants				Development
	with local, State, and	will ensure that all employees	Records				Plans/Teaching Practice
	Federal mandated	participate in mandated	Manager				Action Plan
	trainings and	trainings. 3. The Education	Mentor				State
	will be provided	Content Area will	Teachers /Coaches				Licensing Reports
	with	reformat the Professional					
	information, coaching,	Development Plan. 4. The Education	All Staff				Federal Review
	and support	Content Area will					Results
	to access career	assess the educational staff to					
	advancement	identify their strengths and areas					
	opportunities.	of needs/support					
		by providing intensive coaching,					
		which will include observations,					
		feedback and					
		modeling of effective teacher					
		practices related to program					
		performance goals. Ensure Coaching					
		Opportunities for					
		the staff identified: a) Align with the					
		program's School Readiness Goals,					
		Curriculum, and					
		other approaches to professional					
		development. b)					

Utilize a Coach	
with adequate	
training and adult	
learning and using	
assessment data to	
drive coaching	
strategies aligned	
with program's	
goals. c) Provide	
on-going on-	
communication	
between the coach,	
program director,	
education director,	
and other relevant	
staff. d) Include	
clearly articulated	
goals informed by	
the program's	
goals.	
Establish policies	
that ensure	
assessment results	
are not used to	
solely determine	
punitive actions	
for staff identified	
as needed support,	
without providing	
time and resources	
for staff to	
improve.	
4. All	
4. All Commissioners	
Court Members,	
Policy Council	
members,	
Consultants, and	
staff will be	
provided with	
support and on-	
going training	
regarding the New	
Head Start	
Program	
Performance	
Standards.	
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PERSONNEL, CONSULTANTS AND PARTNERS CONTRIBUTION TO T/TA PLAN

		Status with G	Frantee (X)			Number of	Number of
Name	Employee	Governing Board	Consultant	Parent	Title	hours spent working on the plan	planned for implementation
Aliza Oliveros	V				Program Director	20	3,000
Estela Salazar	V				Assistant Director I	7	1,000
Luz Munoz	V				Assistant Director II	5	1,000
Leticia Zavala	V				Records Manager	10	1,000
Lucy Trejo	V				Education Director	10	1,000
Ana Huerta	V				Disability Coordinator	7	500
Tano Tijerina		√			Webb County Judge	5	90
Juan David Ramirez				√	Policy Council President	5	90