

HITCHCOCK ISD

“Kids First” Head Start

Annual Report

FY 2010 - 2011



At “Kids First” Head Start

Our children come FIRST

In getting A HEAD START in education.



Hitchcock ISD
“Kids First”
Head Start Program



Mission Statement

The mission of Hitchcock I.S.D. “Kids First” Head Start is to provide low-income, disadvantaged preschool children and their families with tools that will empower them to develop fulfilling, productive and satisfying lives.

District Mission Statement

The mission of the district is to produce contributing citizens prepared for lifelong learning, believing in our country, themselves, and their fellow man in our ever-changing world by providing a personalized, yet diversified, quality education through varied learning experiences with pride, participation, and performance in partnership with our community.

Philosophy

The Head Start approach is based on the philosophy that a child benefits most from a comprehensive, interdisciplinary program which fosters development and remedy problems through a broad range of services and the child’s entire family’s as well as community involvement. This program maximizes the strengths and unique experiences of each child. The family is perceived as the principle influence on each child’s development and is a direct participant in the program. Local communities can develop creative program designs as long as the basic goals, objectives, and standards of a comprehensive program are adhered to.

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2010 – 2011
Proposed Budget**



Object Class Categories	Federal / TTA	Non-Federal	Total
Personnel	886,093	140,309	1,026,402
Fringe Benefits	102,845		102,845
Travel	30,000 / 6,645	23,000	59,645
Equipment	15,000	6,764	21,764
Supplies	46,578	21,500	68,078
Contractual	224,250 / 4,000	117,850	346,100
Construction	0		0
Other	206,151 / 9,100	87,880	303,131
Total	1,510,917 / 19,745	397,303	1,505,587
Indirect Cost	57,750 / 803	0	58,553
Totals	1,568,667 / 20,548	397,303	1,986,518



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CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVED

“Kids First” Head Start is funded to provide services to a total of 220 children and families in our service delivery area. Service areas are Hitchcock, La Marque, Santa Fe, and Texas City. The information below will display the total number of children and families served, the average monthly enrollment, and the percentage of eligible children served.

Total Number of Children and Families Served

Three year old families –119

Four year old families –101

Total – 220

Total average monthly percentage of funded enrollment –90%

Total percentage of eligible children served – 100%



Students with Disabilities - 22

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RESULTS OF THE MOST RECENT
FEDERAL MONITORING REVIEW

Hitchcock ISD “Kids First” and Texas City ISD “Calvin Vincent” Head Start programs are subject to an extensive on-site monitoring review every three years, as mandated by the Head Start Act. The last Federal review was conducted the week of January 24 – 29, 2010. The Head Start Review Report was issued to the Hitchcock Independent School District Board Chairperson as legal notice of the results of the on-site monitoring review. Based on the report, Hitchcock (grantee) and Texas City (delegate) was found to have one deficiency and nine areas of non-compliances identified that as sited. The deficiency and non-compliances have been corrected under the Quality Improvement Plan. Hitchcock ISD “Kids First” and Texas City “Calvin Vincent” are operating in full compliance with all applicable Head Start Performance Standards and Head Start Act.

HITCHCOCK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
RESULTS FY 2010/2011

The Financial Audit for the 2010 / 2011 school year is currently being conducted and results are expected to be released early this fall. The Financial Audit for 2009 / 2010 found no areas of non-compliance with our district.



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THE PERTCENTAGE OF CHILDREN RECEIVING
MEDICAL AND DENTAL EXAMINATIONS**

Dental at enrollment – August 2010

32 students did not have current dental exams

185 students – 85.5% had dental exams

Dental at the end of the school – May 2011

17 students did not have any dental exams

203 students – 92.3% had a dental exam that year

Physical at enrollment – August 2010

15 students did not have current physicals

205 students – 93.2% had current physicals

Physicals at the end of the year – May 2011

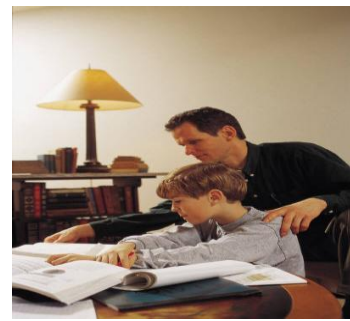
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205 students- 93.2% had physicals that were up-to-date





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PARENT INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

“Kids First” Head Start encourages all parents to get involved with their child’s program. The parent is the child’s first and most important teacher in their lives. At Head Start, we reach out to the parents and make them feel included in activities and opportunities to better their lives. Here are some highlights of the parent involvement activities that occurred during the 2010 - 2011 school year listed below:

August– Parent Orientation

September – Parent Community Meeting, Grandparents Day, Community Health Fair, Fall Picture Day, Hitchcock Homecoming Parade – 2nd Place, Homecoming Week Activities and Head Start King and Queen Contest Fundraiser

October – Parent Committee Meeting, Parent-Teacher Conferences, Fall Fest Dance, Library Card Sign Up Night, and Red Ribbon Week and Fire Prevention Week

November – Parent Committee Meeting – Child Behavior/Discipline, T-Shirt Sell Fundraiser, Home Visits, National Parental Involvement Day and Thanksgiving Feast with the Families

December – Parent Committee Meeting – Continuing Education, Holiday Program and Head Start Share Your Christmas

January – Parent Committee Meeting - Nutrition

February – Parent Committee Meeting – Healthy Marriages, 100 Day of School Activity, Valentines Fundraiser and Head Start Field Trip

March – Parent Committee Meeting – Literacy, Spring Pictures, Graduation Pictures and BBQ Link Fundraiser

April – Parent Committee Meeting – Self Esteem, Earth Day and Transition Planning Meeting

May – Parent Committee Meeting – Computer Skills, Transition Visit to Stewart, Annual Field Day and Head Start Graduation





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PREPARING CHILDREN FOR KINDERGARTEN

“Kids First” Head Start begins preparing children for kindergarten the first day they begin school. At Head Start, kids come first in getting a valuable education in life.

Change is rarely easy for anyone. As adults, the concept of change often makes us feel many different feeling. Your child, on the other hand is just beginning to learn this skill. Moving from one school to another, one teacher to another or starting school for the first time, can be a major change for your child. It is very important for Head Start to help your child make this transition a smooth one.

Throughout the program year, our teaching staff implements the researched-based curriculum of The DLM Early Childhood Express, The Letter People and Creative Curriculum. The children demonstrated great percentages of growth in all domains. The overall growth of the skills learned in the domains is improving children’s School Readiness skills and other skills to prepare them for the future. Also, the curricula are aligned with the Head Start Child Development and Early Learning Framework.

Head Start Teaching Staff collaborates with the local school district teachers to facilitate the successful transition from Head Start to public schools. The transition planning team will assist with the development of effective transition practices and procedures including:

1. Coordinating record transfer with families, schools and agencies.
2. Supporting communication among Parents, Head Start Staff and Elementary Schools to facilities program continuity.
3. Convening meetings, which involve Parents, Kindergarten Teachers and Head Start Teachers.
4. Initiating joint transition-related training to school and Head Start Staff.

“Kids First” Head Start main goal is to provide a smooth transition for our children leaving Head Start and entering in the public school system.

