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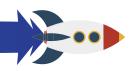
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MISSION

We promote life-long success for families and individuals by providing human services and connections to community resources

COREValues

Teamwork • Integrity • Innovation • Professionalism











MISSION VISION

Preparing children and engaging families for school readiness and life-long success

For every child and every family the best Head Start services every day



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EDUCATION

FAMILY SUPPORT

HEALTH

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & SAFETY HIGHLY QUALIFIED STAFF





Program Shared Governance

As I reflect on my third and final year as a Head Start Policy Council member, I have too many great experiences and memories that I will cherish forever. Being elected Chair by my peers, participating in various program events, and attending the National Head Start Parent and Family Engagement conference are just a few that come to mind.

I was re-elected Chair for the 2017-2018 Head Start Policy Council and was able to continue refining my leadership skills as I completed all of my required duties. I attended various trainings, conferences, and local program events in representation of our program. Constant learning was a common theme for me this year. Whether it was a training at our monthly Policy Council meetings, a strategic planning event, or participation on an interview panel, every event I attended provided different tools and skills I could take home for practice at home with my children and for my own professional development. Now that all four of my children have completed their years in Head Start, I am confident that we are all prepared to tackle elementary, high school, and college! I know that my kids are better prepared for their future and I am a better parent and leader because of Head Start. I am sad that my time as a program parent and leader is coming to a close, but I know that our parents are the best and the program will be in great hands.

I am beyond thankful for this leadership opportunity provided by Head Start and for the incredible education my children have received. We will take with us everything we have learned and implement it in our daily lives. Thank you Head Start, for giving my children and myself the BEST Head Start possible!

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Dora Maldonado Chair, Head Start Policy Council





As one of six grantees for San Antonio and Bexar County, the City of San Antonio DHS Head Start Program serves Edgewood Independent School District (EISD) and San Antonio Independent School District (SAISD). The City also partners with six licensed child care centers to provide the Early Head Start - Child Care Partnership Program (EHS-CCP). The Head Start Policy Council provides current Head Start and EHS-CCP families the opportunity to volunteer with the program, participate in leadership and training opportunities, expand their knowledge and build skills, and partner with staff to recruit families for the program.

Pictured: Bottom Row: Janice Garcia, Ashley Andrade, Amanda Rodriguez, Dr. Glendelia Zavala, Dora Maldonado (chair), Jessica Ruiz Top Row: Jennifer Garcia, Laura Cobia, Denholm Oldham, Ana L. Hernandez, Lauren Murff, Kala Curtis

Not Pictured: Ana K. Sanchez, Santa Teresa Gomez, Alyssa Reynoso, Tanya Bocanegra

Working in partnership with DHS Head Start staff to govern the Head Start programs, the HSPC authorized services in 2017-2018.







5 Year Continuum of Head Start Services

The City of San Antonio's Department of Human Services (DHS) serves as the Grantee for Head Start (HS) and the Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership (EHS-CCP) programs, serving 216 infants and toddlers from six-weeks to 35 months in EHS-CCP, and 3,020 three and four year olds in HS. The programs are federally funded and provide high quality education, health, mental health, disability, nutrition, and family and community support services for enrolled children and their families.



HEALTH SERVICES





3,020 pre-kindergarten



NUTRITION SERVICES





FAMILY SUPPORT



Head Start Model 6 Weeks - 5 Years Old



City of San Antonio

- Program Governance
- Monitoring & Oversight
- Training & Technical Assistance
- Family and Community Engagement
- Wellness Support Services





Education Service Providers





- Blessed Sacrament
- Ella Austin
- Healy Murphy
- Inman Christian Center
- Seton Home
- YWCA Olga Madrid

- Edgewood ISD
- San Antonio ISD





Metro Health
Dental Services

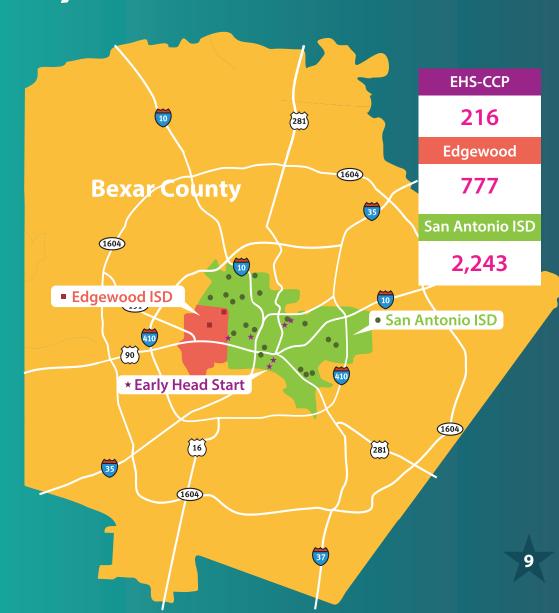


University of the Incarnate Word Medical Services



2017-2018 Program Service Area and Sites

3,236 FUNDED ENROLLMENT



Monitoring



The DHS Head Start Program uses a two-level monitoring system to ensure program compliance at the Grantee and school district levels. DHS is responsible for completing service level monitoring of both school districts (direct monitoring) and reviewing and validating results of the district monitoring activities (indirect monitoring). The school districts have an internal monitoring system in place for ongoing review of services. This monitoring system allows for multiple levels of review and continuous program improvement. The monitoring methods include site visits, both announced and unannounced, child file reviews, interviews, and surveys. For the 2017-2018 school year (SY), the Grantee completed 68 Head Start monitoring projects.

The EHS-CCP program uses a three-tiered monitoring system to ensure program compliance at the Grantee and child care service providers levels. First tier monitoring is completed by the Texas Department of Health and Human Services- Texas Child Care Licensing to ensure compliance with minimum standards. DHS is responsible for the second tier monitoring of the child care service providers (direct monitoring). The State of Texas Rising Star (TRS) system provides the third tier of monitoring support. TRS is the Quality Rating Improvement System (QRIS) for the State of Texas and monitors four of the six child care providers who participate in this system. The Grantee completed over 85 EHS-CCP monitoring projects during the 2017-2018 school year.



The Office of Head Start requires periodic federal reviews of all Head Start programs. The EHS-CCP Program did not undergo a federal review during the 2017-2018 school year. The program did receive results for an onsite review conducted in January 2017. There were no findings reported during the review.

REVIEW	DATE	TYPE OF REVIEW	FINDINGS
Program Performance Monitoring Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership Review	Jan. 24-25, 2017	Onsite Review	None

During the 2017-2018 program year, the Head Start Program did not receive a Federal Review



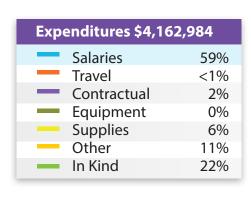


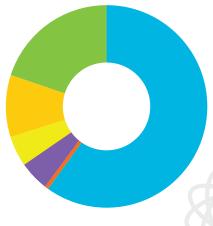
FINANCIAL REPOR.

Early Head Start- Child Care Partnership

AUG. 1, 2017 - JUL. 31, 2018	Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget	
Federal	\$3,754,401	\$3,257,561	\$496,840	
Non-Federal	\$938,601	\$905,423	\$33,178	
Total Budget	\$4,693,002	\$4,162,984	\$530,018	

2017-2018 Expenditures (Actual)





Projected Funding AUG. 1, 2018 - JUL. 31, 2019

Program Operations Training and	\$2,734,334
Technical Assistance	\$64,800
Total Federal Non Federal Match	\$2,799,134 \$699,784
Total Budget	\$3,498,918

Grant Thornton LLP is completing an audit of the City of San Antonio for the period ending September 30, 2018.

Once the audit is completed, a copy of the most recent audit can be found at sanantonio.gov/Finance/bfi/singleaudits



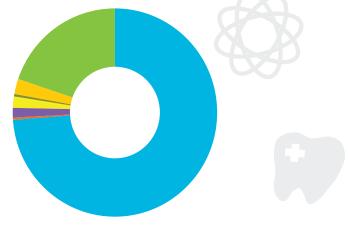
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Head Start

FEB. 1, 2017 - JAN. 31, 2018	Budget	Actual	Variance to Budget
Federal Non-Federal Total Budget		\$22,789,007 \$5,697,983 \$28,486,990	\$92,750 \$22,457 \$115,207

2017-2018 Expenditures (Actual)





Projected Funding FEB. 1, 2018 - JAN. 31, 2019

Program Operations Training and Technical Assistance	\$23,583,052 \$369,810
Total Federal Non Federal Match	\$23,952,862 \$5,988,215
Total Budget	\$29,941,077

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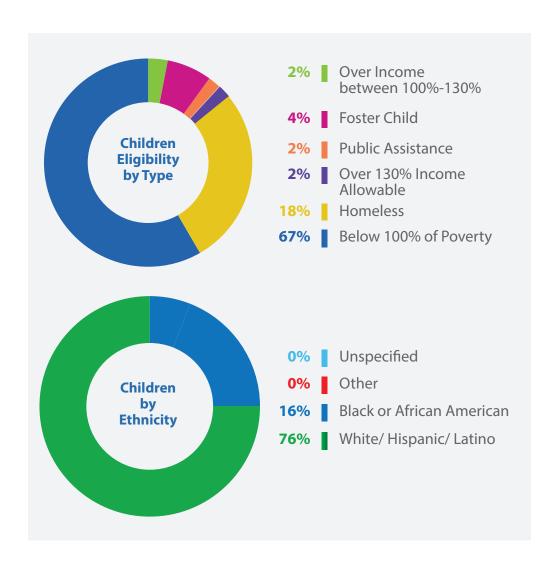


Infants, Toddlers & Family Program Report





The Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership Program served 306 unduplicated children during the 2017-2018 Program Year





Total Families
Served
262

Cumulative Enrollment **306**

Avg. Monthly Attendance 92%

98	96	90	22
Under	1 YR	2 YR	3 YR
1 YR	Olds	Olds	Olds

91% Average Daily Attendance

11% Disability Enrollment

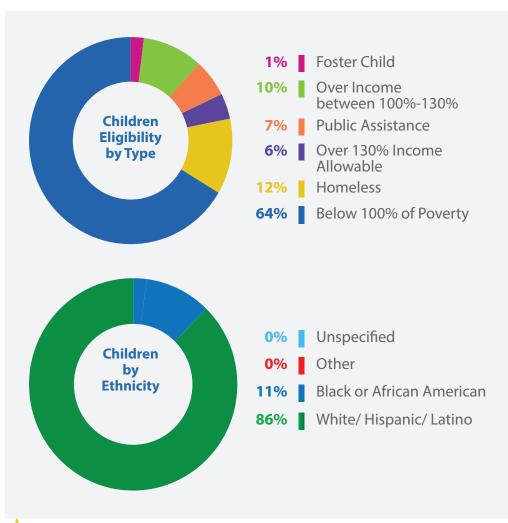


Pre K Children & Family Program Report





Head Start served 3,342 unduplicated children during the 2017-2018 Program Year

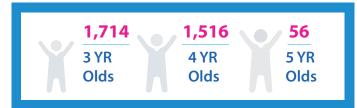


Funded Enrollment 3,020

Total Families Served 3,088

Cumulative Enrollment 3,342

Avg. Monthly Attendance 94%



94% Ave

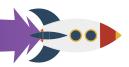
Average Daily Attendance

14% Disability Enrollment





Parent Survey





The City of San Antonio Department of Human Services Head Start Program is committed to providing high quality services. Annually, DHS Head Start distributes a survey for parents/guardians to complete and provide feedback. The information gathered in this survey is used to determine the strengths of our program and the strengths and needs of our families. The survey is anonymous and the results are used to improve services. The full results from the Parent Survey can be found on our website. Highlights from the survey are provided below.

814 Surveys Returned | 25% Return Rate





Program SatisfactionSatisfied with the Head Start/
EHS-CCP Program





TeachersFind it easy to talk with their child's teacher





EducationSatisfied with the Education services





Family Support
Find it easy to talk to their Family
Support Worker





HealthSatisfied with the Health services





AdministrationComfortable talking with the site director/principal





NutritionSatisfied with the Nutrition/
Food Services





Maintenance Feel their child's school is clean and well maintained

94%



Information
Received helpful information from
the Early Head Start/Head Start
Program





SafetyFeel their child is safe at school



Approach to School Readiness & Head Start Activities

The City of San Antonio Department of Human Services (DHS) Head Start Program defines school readiness as children are ready for kindergarten, families are ready to support their learning and schools are ready to receive them. This is achieved through an ongoing holistic approach that integrates all aspects of a child and family's well-being, educational, social, and emotional strengths and needs. Recognizing the importance of all Head Start service areas in promoting school readiness, DHS values the unique role parents/guardians and families play in this process. Parent engagement, education opportunities, ongoing training and technical assistance, community collaboration, and high quality early childhood education are central to our approach to school readiness.

The Office of Head Start requires programs to establish program school readiness goals. In June 2016, DHS held its first annual School Readiness Summit. The focus of the School Readiness Summit was to continue to build a birth to five continuum and develop a set of school readiness goals for the program. The School Readiness Summit team included grantee staff, teachers, site administrators, child care staff, community members, and parents/guardians. In July 2017, the team revised the school readiness goals for each of the five central domains and created a set of School Readiness Goals for the program, birth – five years old.



School Readiness Goals

Approaches to Learning

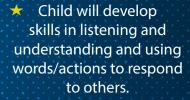
★ Child will become more independent in behavior, actions, and play while exploring and investigating their surroundings.

Social and Emotional Development

 Child will develop social and emotional skills that support on-going positive relationships with self and others.

Language & Literacy

- ★ Child will develop knowledge of how sounds, letters, and words relate to one another and spoken language.
- Child will understand and demonstrate the use of print, signs, and pictures.





- Child will develop skills for reasoning, memory, and problem solving.
- Child will use critical thinking to understand and organize their world.

Perceptual, Motor, & Physical Development

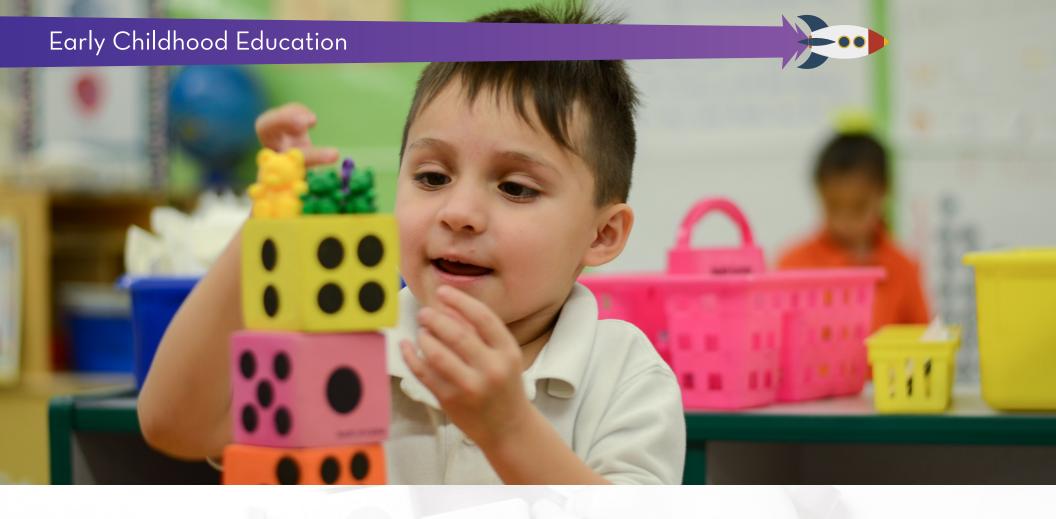
- ★ Child will use their senses to understand, organize, and explore their world.
 - Child will demonstrate increasing independence in motor skills, self-care, and safety.











Teachers in both the EHS-CCP and Head Start Programs take into consideration each child's individual ability, interests, learning style, cultural and linguistic background, and pattern of development and learning to provide a high quality early childhood education. Both programs use research-based curriculum, input from parents/guardians and information from screenings and assessments to plan individualized instruction for each child.

Curriculum

Each curriculum utilized is research based and aligns with the Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework, the Texas Infant /Toddler Guidelines and the Texas Prekindergarten Guidelines.

Primary Curriculum

EHS-CCP - Creative Curriculum SAISD – Frog Street Pre-K EISD – Big Day for Pre-K

Supplemental Curriculum

I am Moving I am Learning Cavity Free Kids

Texas Rising Star

Four of the six EHS-CCP child care centers participated in the Texas Rising Star (TRS) Program. TRS is the Quality Rating Improvement System (QRIS) for the State of Texas.

Blessed Sacrament

Healy Murphy

Seton Home

Ella Austin



Health & Wellness



Head Start promotes the physical and social and emotional well-being of all children as the foundation of school readiness.

Children are better able to learn when they are healthy and safe.





Completed

271 Dental Exams

100% Well Child Exams

115 Lead Tests

67 Hemoglobin Tests

100% Vision & Hearing Screenings



Completed

3,051 Dental Exams

98% Physical Exams

1,369 Lead Tests

100% Vision & Hearing Screenings







The goal for Family and Community Support is to promote the well-being of families to enable them to support their children's learning and development. Several approaches used by our program to support the well-being of Head Start families to impact positive child outcomes are:

- Encouraging parental involvement in their children's education
- Promoting strong relationships between parents and their children through mental wellness education and support
- Providing ongoing learning and development opportunities for both parents and children

Empowering Parents

Recognizing the critical role of parents as their child's first teacher, the DHS Head Start Program provides a variety of opportunities for parent engagement and leadership. These activities promote parent engagement in their child's education through advocacy and the development of relationships among peers and the community.

Head Start families participated in the following activities:

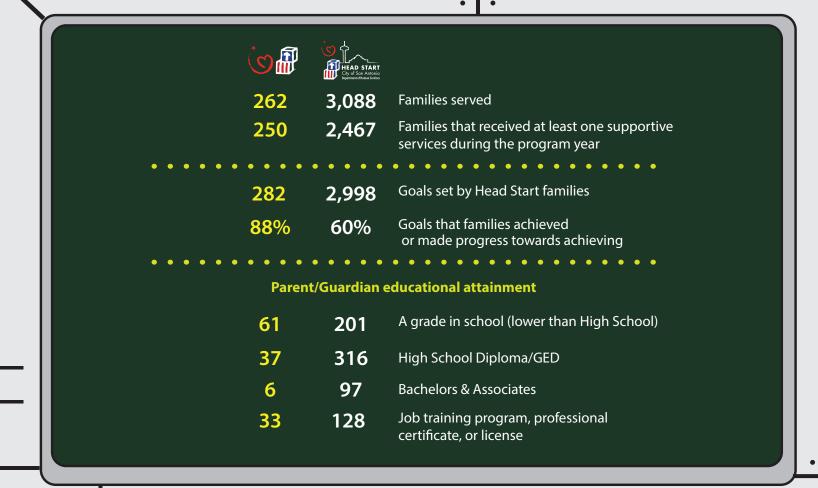
- Governance & Leadership
- National Head Start Parent Conference
- Parent Training Sessions
- Fatherhood Initiatives
- Ready Rosie
- SafeCare
- Women's Empowered Conference

- Community Resource Support Services
- Nutrition Education Classes
- Green and Healthy Homes
- Food Bank Fairs
- Head Start Parent Conference at the Witte
- Healthy Family Challenge



Family & Community Support







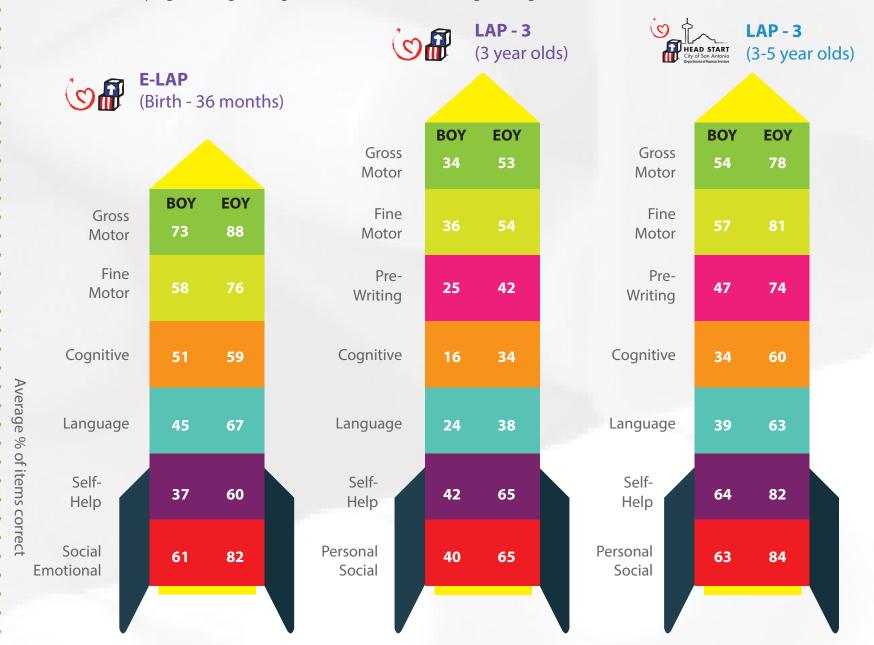




STUDENT OUTCOME DATA

Child Outcomes

The tables presented below provide program-level child outcome data for the Beginning-of-the-Year (BOY) and End-of-the-Year (EOY) for the 2017-2018 school year for children ages birth to 36 months old who were assessed with the E-LAP and children ages 36-72 months old who were assessed with the LAP-3. The table shows the average percentage of items correct for each domain. Across the program, the average percentage of items correct increased from BOY to EOY. For Early Head Start-CCP, the greatest gains occurred in the Self-Help and Language domains on the E-LAP and the Personal/Social and Self-Help domains on the LAP-3. For the Head Start Pre-K program, the greatest gains occurred in the Pre-Writing and Cognitive domains.



Child Outcomes

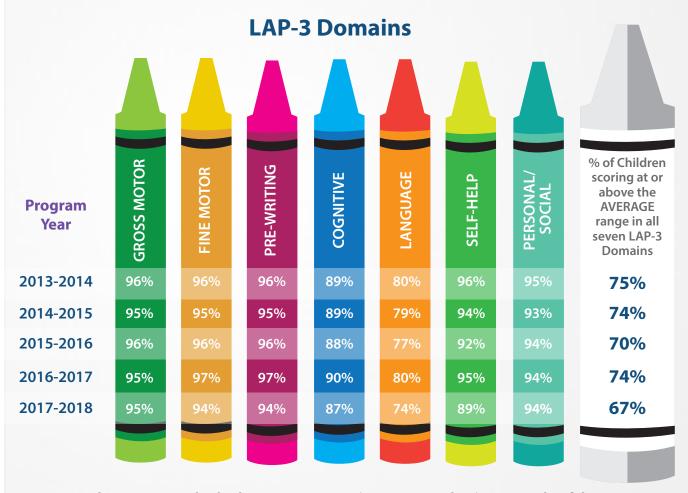


The Head Start Pre-K Program compares a child's developmental age to their chronological age and categorizes them as Considerably Below Average, Moderately Below Average, Average, Moderately Above Average, and Considerably Above Average. The AVERAGE range is +/- six months of a child's developmental age compared to their chronological age.

The table shows the percentage of children transitioning to kindergarten that scored at or above the AVERAGE range in each of the seven LAP-3 Domains from the 2013-2014 school year to the 2017-2018 school year. The table also shows the percentage of students that scored at or above the AVERAGE range in ALL seven LAP-3 Domains. Two areas of concern that require additional focus by our program include language development and fidelity to the assessment. Our program is currently working to analyze our assessment data for trends and develop targeted professional development to improve fidelity of the assessment administration

Learning Accomplishments Profile - 3rd Edition Students Transitioning to Kindergarten

% of children scoring at or above the *AVERAGE range



*Based on LAP-3 standards, the AVERAGE range is a raw score that is \pm 6 months of the child's chronological age.



Teacher Outcomes





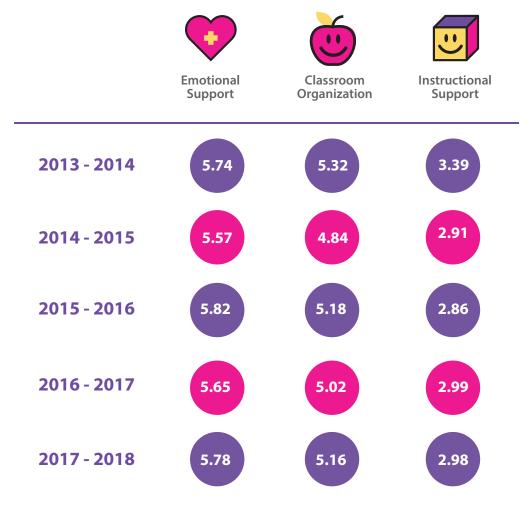
During the **2017-2018** school year, **111** Head Start Prekindergarten classrooms were observed by certified reliable CLASS™ Observers. The data obtained from CLASS™ observations serve as a guide for professional development for teaching staff to improve interactions that support children's learning and child outcomes. Instructional Support continues to be an area of focus for the Head Start Program.







City of San Antonio Head Start Program 2013 – 2014 through 2017 – 2018 Internal Monitoring CLASS Results



^{*60%} of classrooms observed

Child Outcomes



The Classroom Assessment Scoring System™

The Classroom Assessment Scoring System™ (CLASS) is a research-based tool used to measure the interactions between teachers and children. CLASS™ uses a standardized method to collect information on the quality of teacher/child interactions. Observers are trained and certified each year on their ability to use the tool. Both the EHS-CCP and Head Start programs use the research-based tool.

Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership

During the 2017-2018 school year, the EHS-CCP program CLASS" received data co serve as teachin children 2018 sc progran Langua areas of

Infant CLASS™ Observation Scores

DIMEN	Relational Climate	Teacher Sensitivity	Facilitated Exploration	Early Language Support	DOMAI	Responsiv Caregiving	
SNOISN	5.55	5.15	4.6	4.05	Z	4.84	

Toddlor CLASSIM Observation Serves

am began using the Infant and Toddler	load	aler CLASS"	Observation	Scores				
S™ instruments. Each EHS-CCP classroom red a CLASS™ observation in Fall 2017. The collected from the CLASS™ observations as a guide for professional development for	DIMENS	Positive Climate	Negative Climate	Teacher Sensitivity	Regard for Child Perspective	Behavior Guidance	DOMAII	Emotional & Behavioral Support
ing staff to improve interactions that support en's learning and child outcomes. The 2017- school year was the first year for EHS-CCP am to use the CLASS™ instrument. Early uage Support and Quality of Feedback are of focus for the EHS-CCP Program.	SIONS	5.69	1.36	5.14	4.83	4.56	Z	5.37

Teacher

Sensitivity









Transitions



Children experience many transitions in their young lives. Whether attending an early education program or moving from one early education setting to another, transitions present children and families with opportunities and challenges. If well planned, transitions can be a positive experience. The program collaborates with parents, staff, and other early childhood programs to implement strategies and activities that support successful transitions.





Transition Activities & Strategies

- Meet the Teacher for new Head Start children and families
- Individualized meetings to prepare EHS-CCP families for transition
- Transition letters/reminders sent to EHS-CCP families throughout a transition period
- Transitioning Children into Kindergarten sessions provided during end-of-the year
 Parent Connection Committee Meetings
- Recruitment events for Head Start enrollment shared with EHS-CCP families
- Local school district information shared with EHS-CCP families living outside of Edgewood and San Antonio Independent School Districts
- EHS-CCP transitioning families invited to Head Start Parent Connection Meetings to discuss transitioning into Head Start
- Teachers discuss transitions during the end-of-year Parent/Teacher Conferences
 & Home Visits
- Head Start teachers provide kindergarten teachers information regarding individual children's strengths and needs
- Program staff participate in Early Childhood Intervention Transition meetings
- Families participate in Head Start and Elementary School campus tours
- Elementary School Field Trips
- Head Start Registration Events
- Elementary School Registration Events





