

# ANNUAL REPORT TO THE PUBLIC 2016-2017

## Lamar County Head Start

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Head Start provides preschool education and family assistance services for age and income eligible residents of Lamar County.

The program served 230 children and families from the five school districts located in Lamar County during the 2016-2017 school year. The average daily attendance for 2016-2017 school year was 94%. Students below the Federal Poverty Guidelines was 71% (163); 11% (28) were between 100 and 130% of the Guidelines; 2% (2) of students were over income and qualified for other reasons. There were 2% (5) students that were Foster children; 12% (28) received Public Assistance and 2% (4) were classified as homeless.

Parents and community members logged 10,599.10 volunteer hours with 254 persons volunteering during the school year.

Through partnerships with Dr. Keith Green and Health Texas Provider Network d.b.a. Primary Care Associates, 100% of enrolled children received health and dental screenings within 90 days of enrollment. Social & Emotional/Behavior screening and developmental screenings (Brigance, vision, hearing, growth assessment and blood pressure) are completed within 45 days of enrollment. Follow up assistance was provided as needed for all students.

We maintained 44 community partnership service agreements with local agencies, schools, churches and businesses. Three Community Partnership Networking meetings were held.

In May, we hosted our first Job Fair for parents and guardians. Staff from East Texas Workforce, The Results Company, RPM Temp Agency and First Staff were here to offer their assistance in finding area employment opportunities.

Seventy-One hands on workshops, meetings and family activity events for Head Start families were provided.

A "Read With Me" Family Literacy program for all Head Start parents/guardians was provided throughout the school year. Sessions were held each Tuesday, September through May.

A series of workshops to address the Head Start fatherhood initiative entitled "Daddy Zone" was provided.

The Retired Teachers Association continued to bring the "Books for Children" program to the Head Start campus.

Family Involvement Starts Here (FISH 101) evening workshop series continues which involves families in learning developmentally appropriate

### TEA Accountability Rating : Met Standard

#### 2016-2017 Enrollment (Funded for 208 Students)

162 Paris ISD                      42 North Lamar ISD  
4 Chisum ISD

#### Total number of students served

230

#### Approximate Expenditure Per student (208 Students)

\$8,492.94

#### Students per Teacher

17.3

activities to promote school readiness skills.

Staff participated in 194 training events in the areas, of early childhood education, health services, social services, technology and administration.

Five Policy Council/Parent Committee members and one School Board member represented the program at the annual National Head Start Conference and Expo in Chicago, Illinois in April, 2017.

### School Readiness

The Head Start Program engages in the following strategies to prepare pre-kindergarten students for Kindergarten:

- ◆ Employs 12 Texas Education Agency Early Childhood Certified Teachers.
- ◆ Employs 9 Teacher Assistants with national Child Development Associate certifications.
- ◆ Used the GOLD Online assessment system to track student progress.
- ◆ Integration of technology in classroom activities to support student achievement.
- ◆ Addressed developmental skills for all children as outlined in the Head Start Child Development and Early Learning Framework and TEA prekindergarten guidelines.
- ◆ Aligned individualized student instruction with assessment data.
- ◆ Collaborated with area elementary schools to align instruction with Kindergarten through 5th grade.
- ◆ Developed an individual "School Readiness Plan" of instruction for each child.
- ◆ Collaborated with ISD Special Services Departments to provide individualized educational services for children with disabilities.
- ◆ Provided on-going staff development for teachers thru participation in the "Texas School ready Project" in partnership with Region 8 Education Service Center.

### Expenditures in 2016-2017:

#### Federal Dollars

Instructional Staff and instruction-related items:  
\$619,791.89

Campus leadership: \$252,697.53

Social Work Services: \$165,924.60

Facility maintenance and transportation : \$166,224.42

Health Services: \$115,481.49

Nutrition Services : \$33,803.55

Community and parent involvement: \$83,581.52

#### Local In-kind Funds:

Instructional Staff and related expenses: \$322,276.66

Campus Support (maintenance, transportation, business office, administrative support and other routines services): \$22,687.00

Community donations of monies, goods and services:  
\$8,157.34

### Funding

#### Department of Health and Human Services

#### Administration for Children and Families

\$1,412,481.00

#### COLA

\$25,024.00

#### In kind (Local Support)

\$353,121.00

#### Ethnic Distribution

African American	41 %
Hispanic	22 %
White	22 %
Multi-Racial	14 %
Native American	0 %