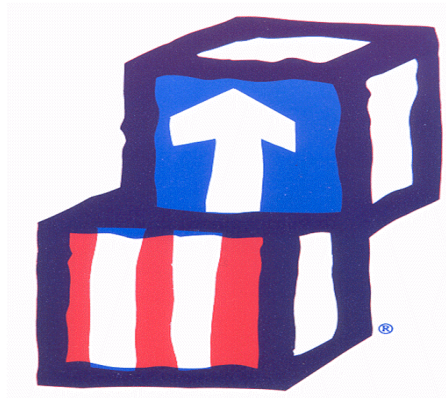




Community Action Program of Evansville Children's Services



2009-2010 Head Start Annual Report

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Board President

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CAPE Head Start Annual Report 2009-2010

HEAD START MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to provide opportunities for children, families, and staff to realize their goals in safe, nurturing, enriching environments, in partnership with the community.

*Respect for Diversity

*Dedication to Excellence

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CAPE Head Start Services

HEAD START

CAPE Head Start provides an early education and comprehensive support program for low-income families with children ages 3—5. Services include health, nutritional, dental and visual screening; mental health, assessment and support services for children with disabilities; and, inclusive help for families seeking supportive assistance. Parent participation in their child's education is strongly encouraged and nurtured.

EARLY HEAD START

Early Head Start provides educational and support services to families with children from birth—3 years. Risk factors that may be barriers to optimal child and family development are identified early so that services can be tailored to meet the family's needs.

ENTERPRISE ZONE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Enterprise Zone provides expansive Head Start services for working families that need full time childcare.

TEACHERS' RECYCLING CENTER

A large assortment of scrap materials is gathered from many local companies. Inspired teachers, students, children, parents, artists and other members of the community recycle these materials in a variety of artistic ways. Creativity is nurtured whenever children or adults are given the opportunity to use these resources.

LEARNING CENTER

The CAPE Learning Center assists Head Start families and the community with computer and tutorial services to improve reading/math skills, prepare for a GED exam, develop a resume or further their education.

KEY HEAD START STAFF

Alice Weathers
Executive Director

Donna Newman
Director of Children's Services

Janet Johnson
Assistant Director of Children's Services

Carol Compton
Administrative Assistant

Charlotte Anderson
Manager of Training & Staff Development

John Robinson
Transportation Manager

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Manager of Child Development Services

Andrea Boberg
Operations Manager Posey County

Deanna Dodds
Operations Manager Gibson County

Marcia Haywood
Manager of Family Partnerships

Melanie Russell
Manager of Health & Nutrition Services

Sunni Zimmer
Mental Health/Disabilities Coordinator

SERVICE AREA

CAPE Head Start serves three counties (Gibson, Posey and Vanderburgh) in Southern Indiana.

GIBSON COUNTY
107 State Street
Princeton IN 47670
(812) 386-6576

VANDERBURGH COUNTY
27 Pasco Avenue
Evansville IN 47713
(812) 425-4241

POSEY COUNTY
1113 Main Street
Mt. Vernon IN 47620
(812) 838-4839



GIBSON COUNTY AT A GLANCE

- Population of 32,500
- 96.5% white; 1.9% African-American; .07% Hispanic
- 24% of households headed by single parents
- Per capita and mean household incomes are below state averages
- 72.8% of adults over 25 hold a high school diploma
- Largest county in square miles

POSEY COUNTY AT A GLANCE

- Population of 27,061
- 98% white; .9% African-American; .04% Hispanic
- 19% of households headed by single parents
- Per capita and mean household incomes are slightly higher than state averages
- 76.3% of adults over 25 hold a high school diploma

VANDERBURGH COUNTY AT A GLANCE

- Population of 171,922
- 89.3% white; 8.2% African-American; 1% Hispanic
- 32% of households headed by single parents
- Per capita income is higher than state average, while mean household incomes are lower than state averages
- 75.2% of adults over 25 hold a high school diploma

CAPE HEAD START CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVED

CAPE Head Start and Early Head Start are funded to provide services to 660 children and families. The funding is provided for 116 Early Head Start children and families and 544 Head Start children and families. The following chart will show the total number of families served by county and program for the 2009-2010 program year.

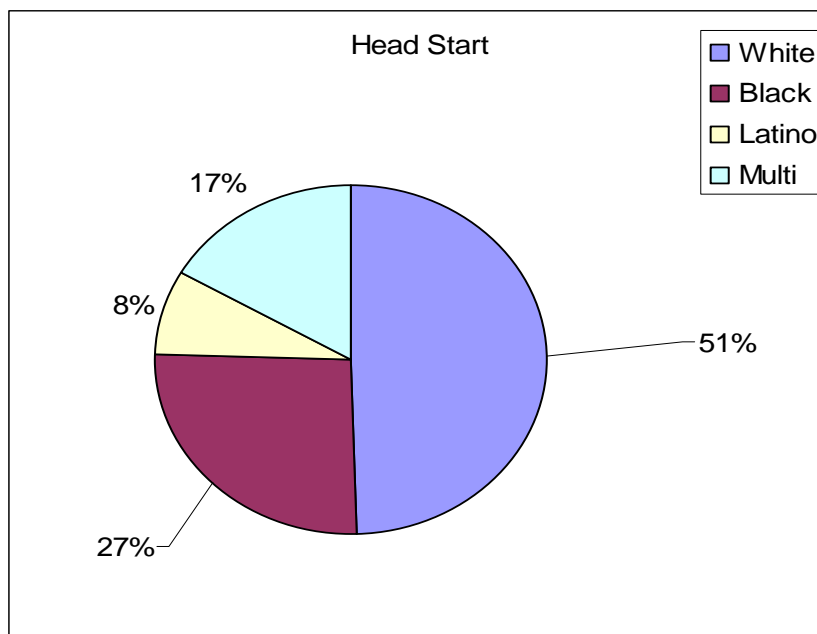
	EHS	HS	Total Eligible Families	Percentage served
Vanderburgh	160	483	~352	~33%
Posey	45	60	~200	~75%
Gibson	0	89	~600	0%
TOTAL	205	632	~1152	~72%

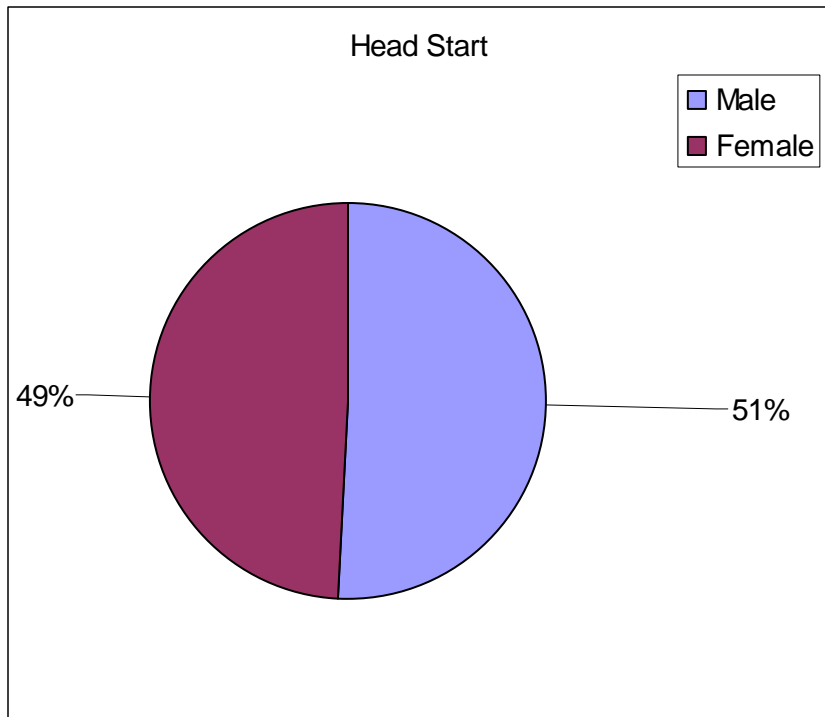
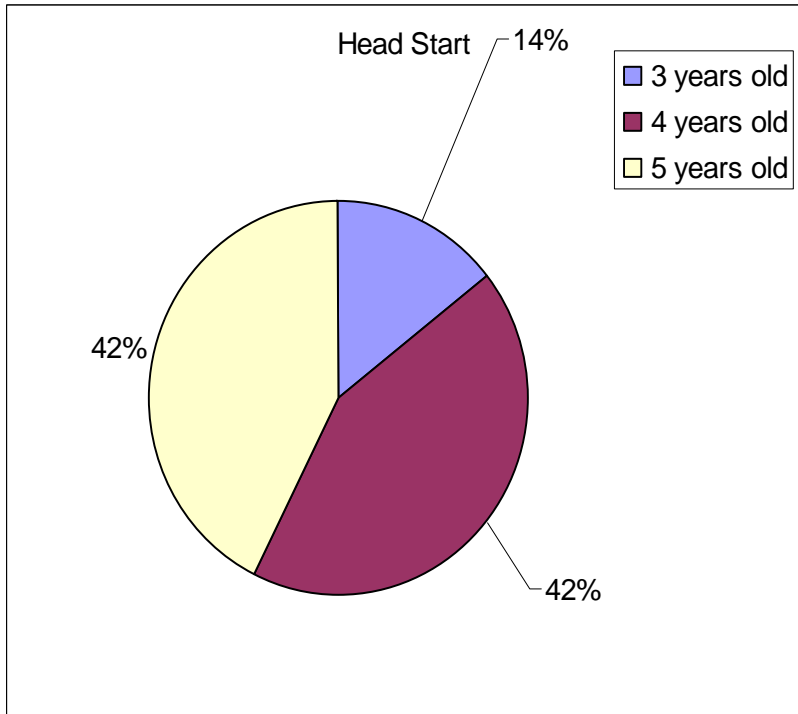
During the Program year 09-10, CAPE Head Start and Early Head Start served a total of 837 children. This figure includes children that enrolled and dropped from the program during the program year.

AVERAGE MONTHLY ENROLLMENT

Month	Enrollment	Percentage of funded Enrollment
<i>August</i>	660	100%
<i>September</i>	660	100 %
<i>October</i>	660	100 %
<i>November</i>	660	100 %
<i>December</i>	660	100 %
<i>January</i>	660	100 %
<i>February</i>	660	100 %
<i>March</i>	660	100 %
<i>April</i>	660	100 %
<i>May</i>	660	100 %

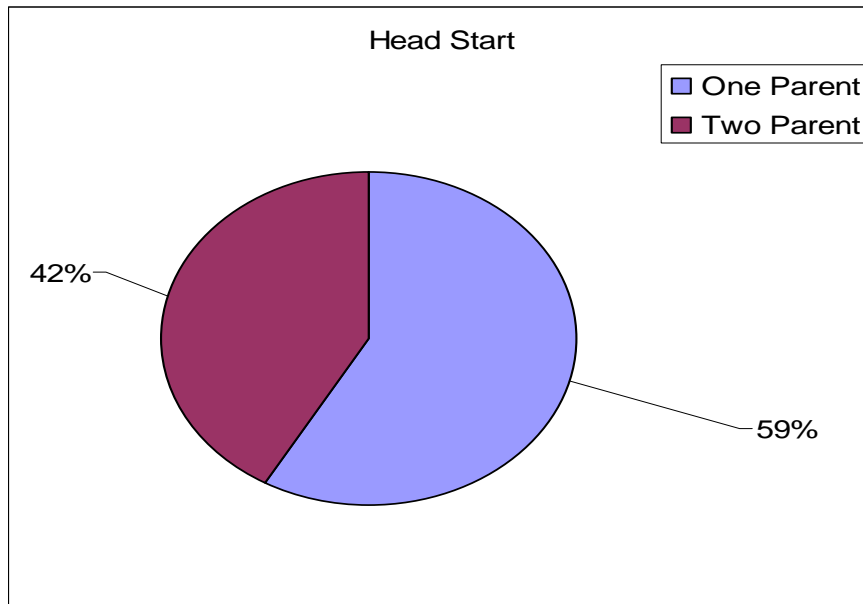
ENROLLMENT BREAK DOWN





HEAD START AND EARLY HEAD START FAMILIES

Contrary to stereotyping many Head Start families are Two-parent families.



MEDICAL AND DENTAL EXAMS

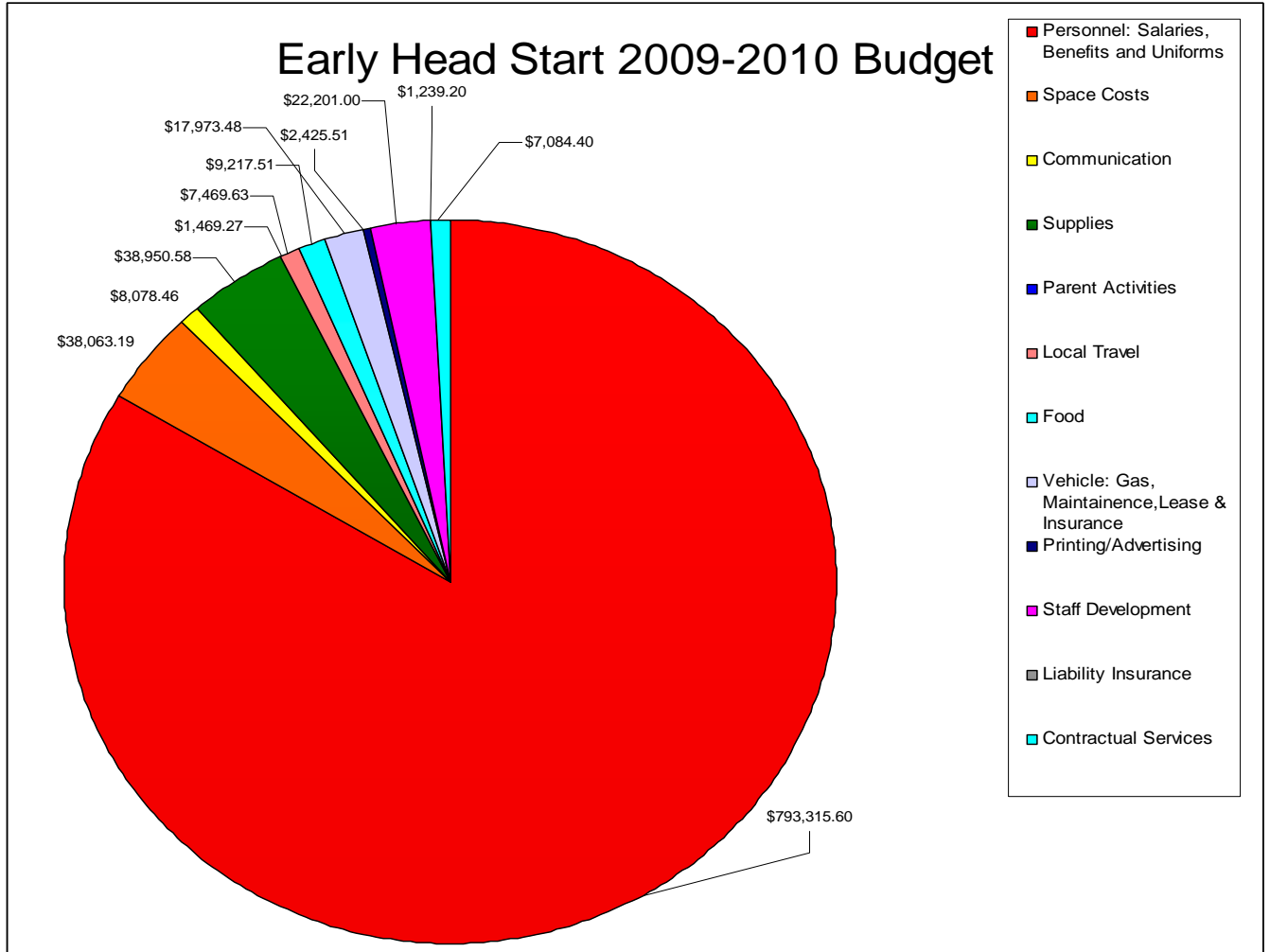
EHS Medical	EHS Dental	HS Medical	EHS Dental
182 out of 198	169 out of 198	605 out of 619	614 out of 619

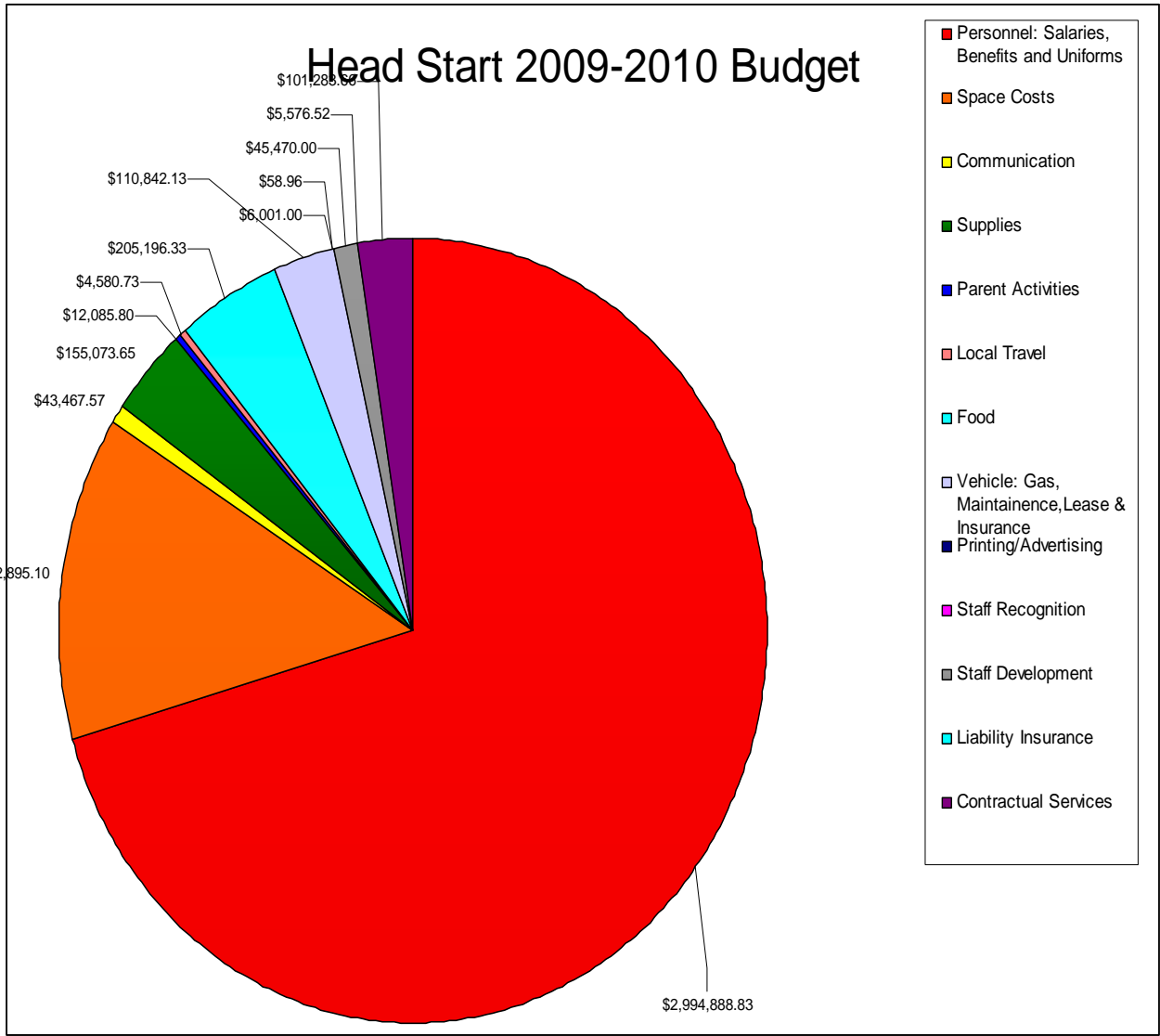
TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED

CAPE Head Start and Early Head Start receives funding from the department of Health and Human services through the Office of Head Start. The non-federal share is matched through community and family donations and volunteers.

Early Head Start Grant and ARRA	\$909,536.83	Head Start Grant and ARRA	\$3,968,080.17
Non-Federal Contribution	\$78,555.32	Non-Federal Contribution	\$1,197,296.68
USDA		USDA	
Training and Technical Assistance	\$22,201.00	Training and Technical Assistance	\$45,470.00
Total Funds	\$1,010,293.15	Total Funds	\$5,210,846.85

BUDGET





FEDERAL PROGRAM REVIEW

The program was last reviewed in 2007. The program is anticipating a review in 2010.

FINANCIAL AUDIT

The program's finance department is audited annually by Comers-Nowling and Associates. The annual audit for 2009-2010 indicated no findings.






ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In addition to running a successful Head Start and Early Head Start program. CAPE Head Start has engaged in and accomplished the following:

-  12 NAEYC Accredited Centers
-  Head Start Body Start playground Grant

PROGRAM OPTIONS

CAPE Head Start offers a variety of program options to meet the different needs of the families in the communities we serve.

-  Extended day- 5 hours 4 days a week
-  Full Day/Full Year for families working and/or going to school
-  Center and Home-based Early Head Start
-  Three hour day (morning and afternoon session)
-  Gender specific classroom

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

At CAPE Head Start and Early Head Start we believe that parents are the child's first and best teacher. We involve families in many aspects of the program to support this role. Those include:

-  Monthly PTA
-  Fatherhood Program
-  Policy Council
-  Health Advisory Board
-  Education Advisory
-  Classroom volunteers



PREPARING CHILDREN FOR SCHOOL

CAPE Head Start provides Kindergarten Round-up and other important transition information to families in early spring. In collaboration with families, teaching staff complete transition information for the kindergarten teachers. Transitioning children visit the nearest Elementary school whenever possible.

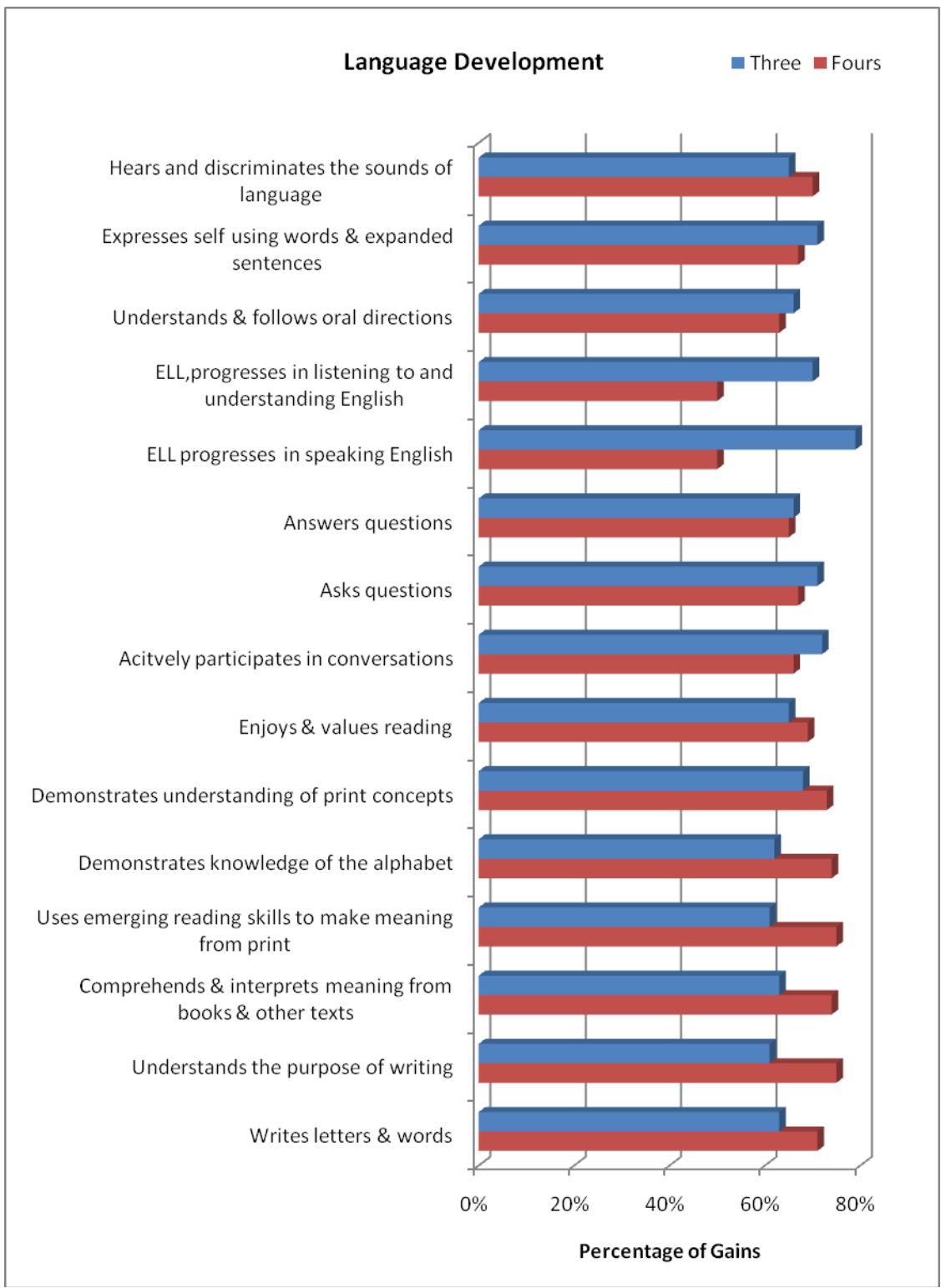
Children Transitioning to Kindergarten: 38% of Head Start enrollment (619 children)



INITIATIVES

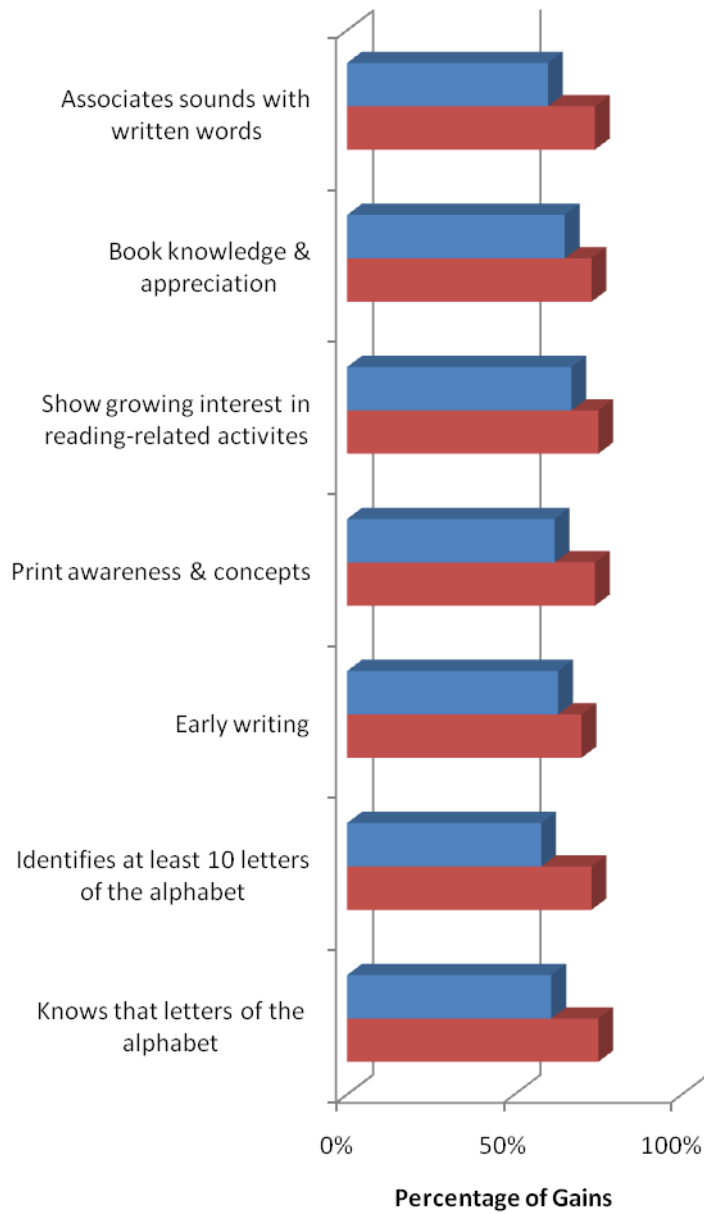
Gender Specific Classroom

We have implemented a special initiative in our Head Start Program, based on research; we have implemented two gender specific classrooms, one all female the other all male.



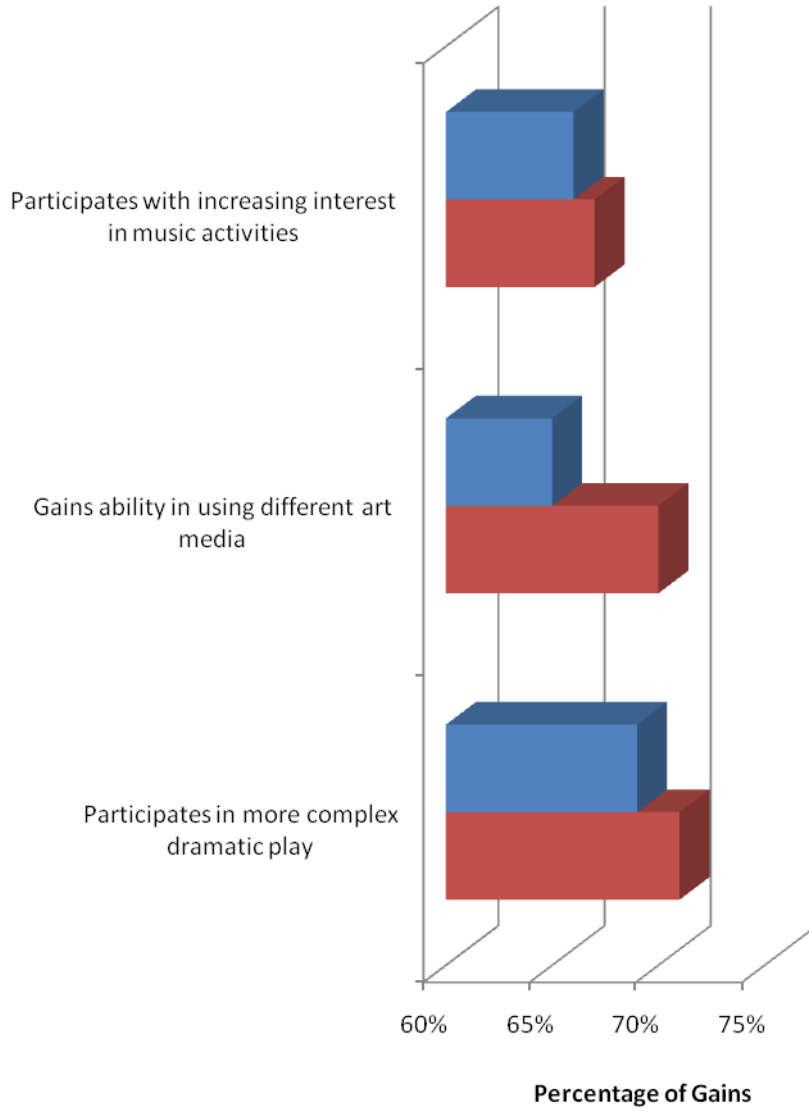
Math and Science

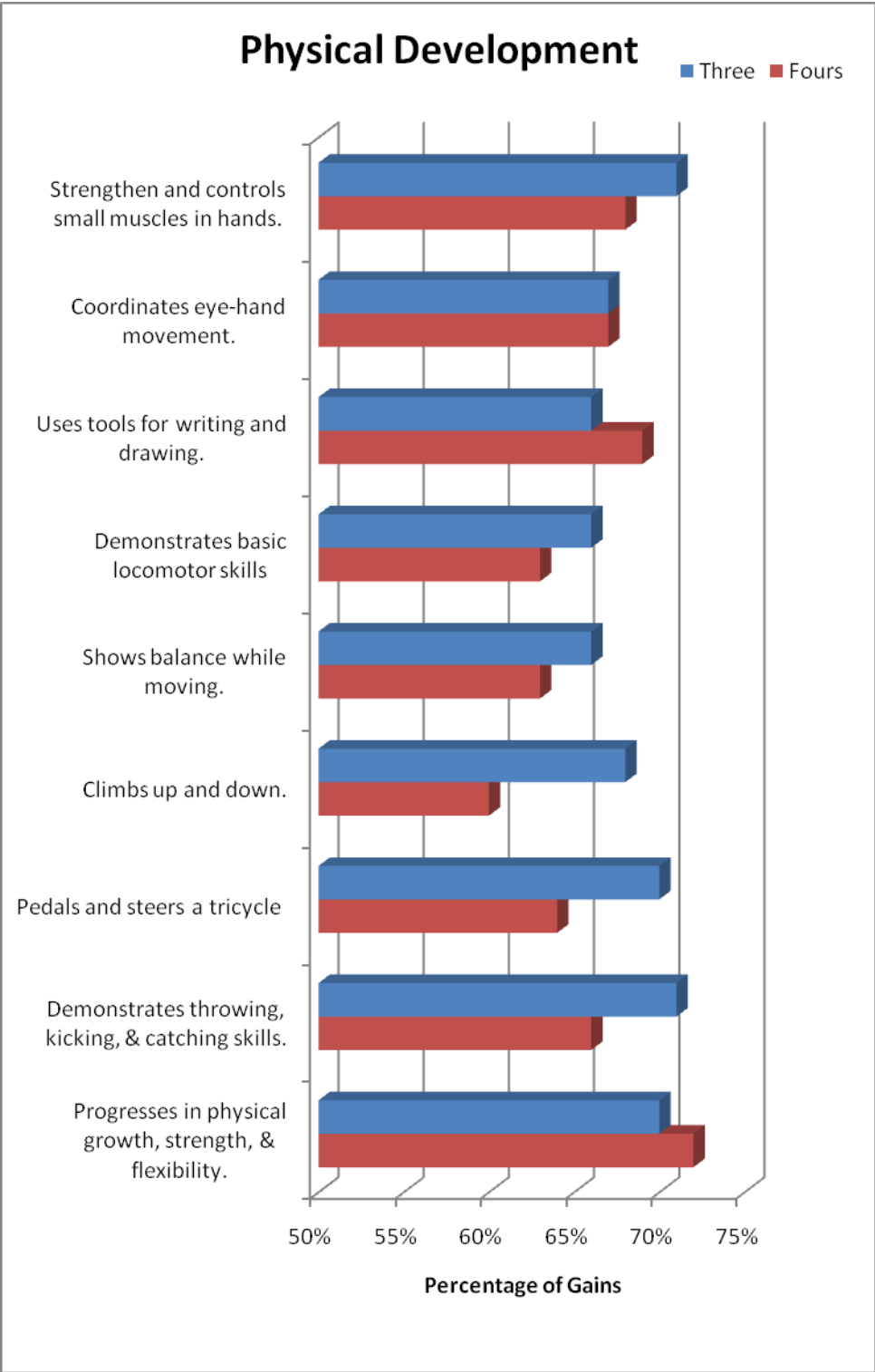
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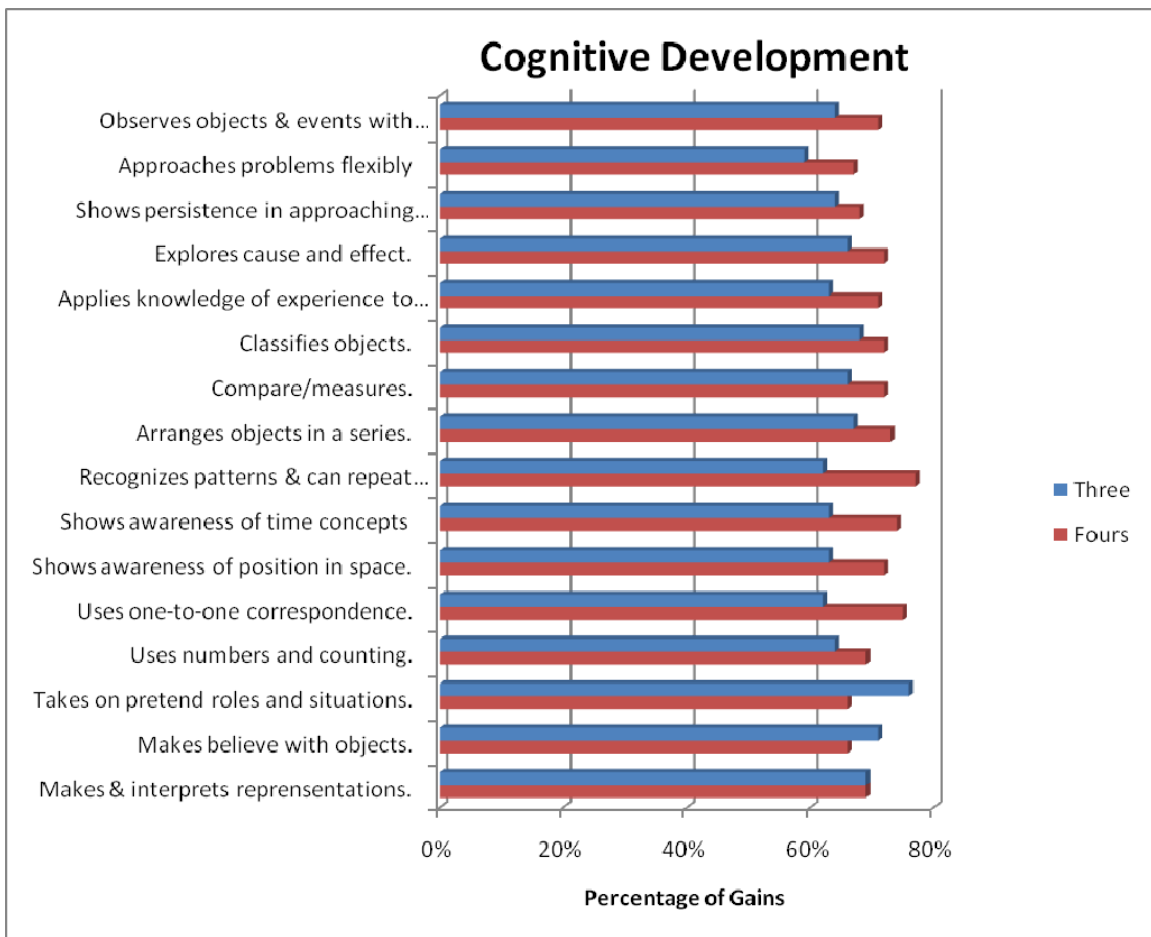


Creative Arts

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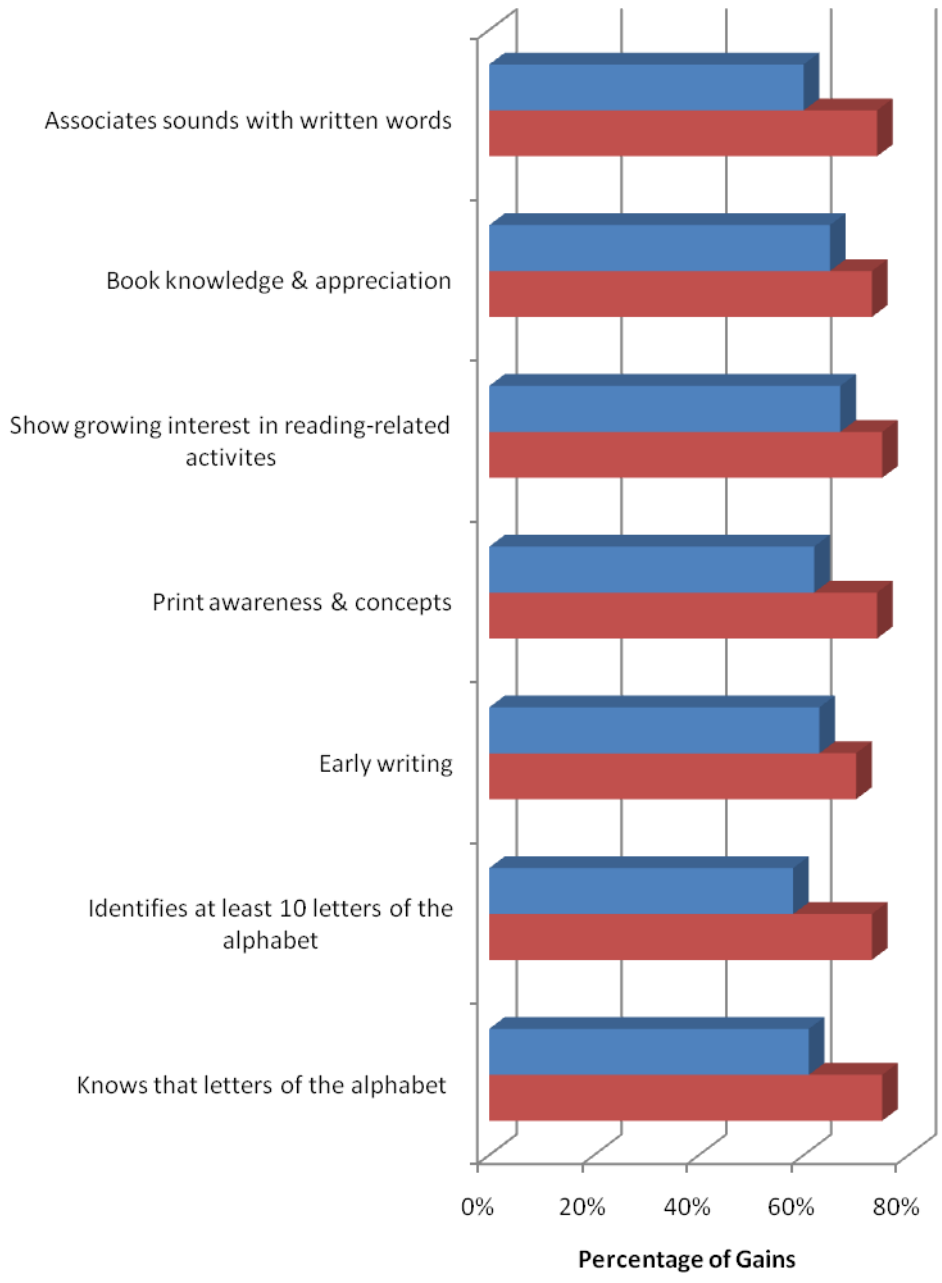


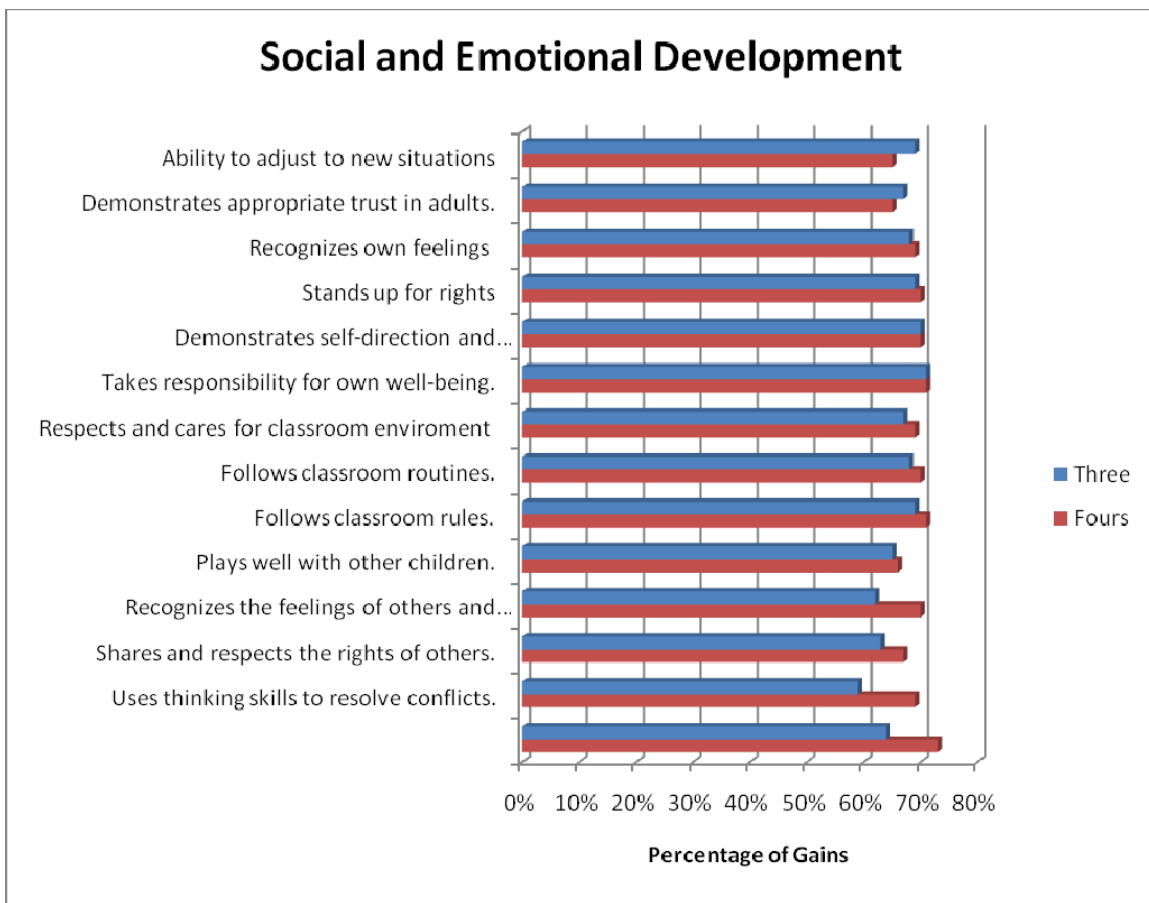




Literacy Development

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Learning Center

- Services are available to youth and adults
- Tutoring in most subjects
- GED preparation
- Computer Literacy Classes
- Reading Instruction
- During the past year a total of 789 students were seen.
- 45 Students passed their GED Test
- 13 of the 45 were active Head Start Parents
- 20 were Head Start Family members

Other services from the Learning Center include:

BBB (Beauty, Barber, Books) a community partnership with local Beauty and Barber shops. The Learning Center staff provide books on a monthly basis for twenty-five (25) shops. Children read the books at the shops and then may take the book home for their own home library.

Family Read-In is a program that encourages family members to come in and read or be read to by staff. This program allows continued support for parents as the child's first teacher, modeling reading to children and supporting parents that may not be able to read.

CURRICULUMS AND ASSESSMENTS USED

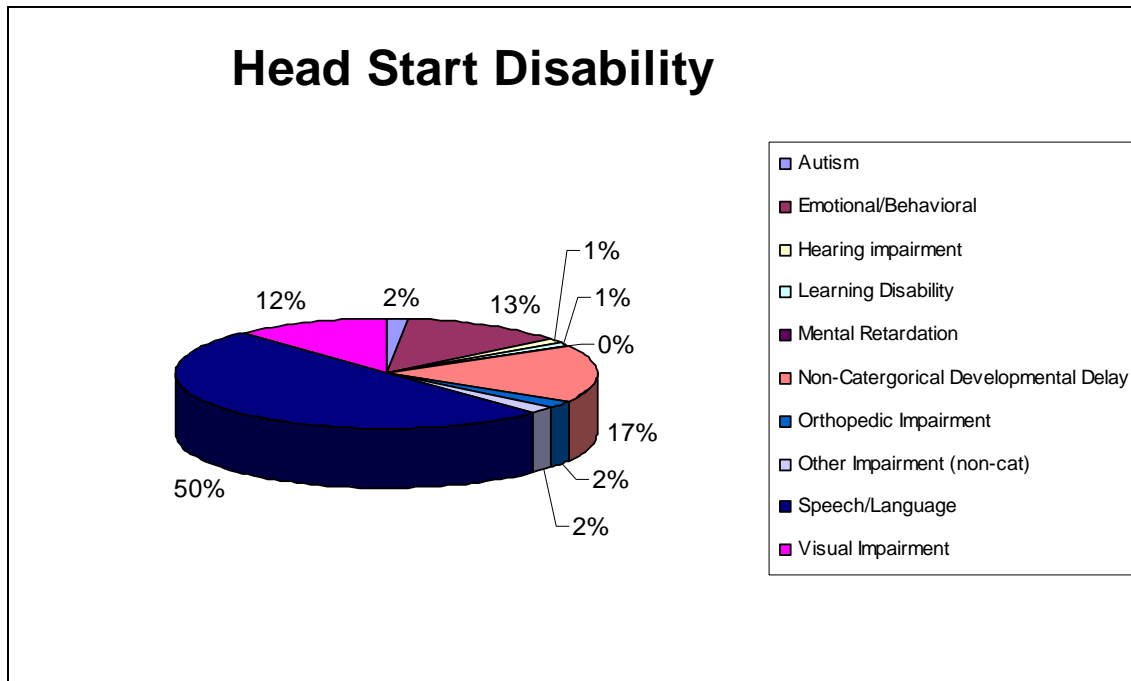
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 Picturing America
 Color me healthy
 Passports
 Second Steps

Brigance
 Denver II
 DECA/DECA-IT
 I AM moving I AM learning
 Creative Curriculum Assessment

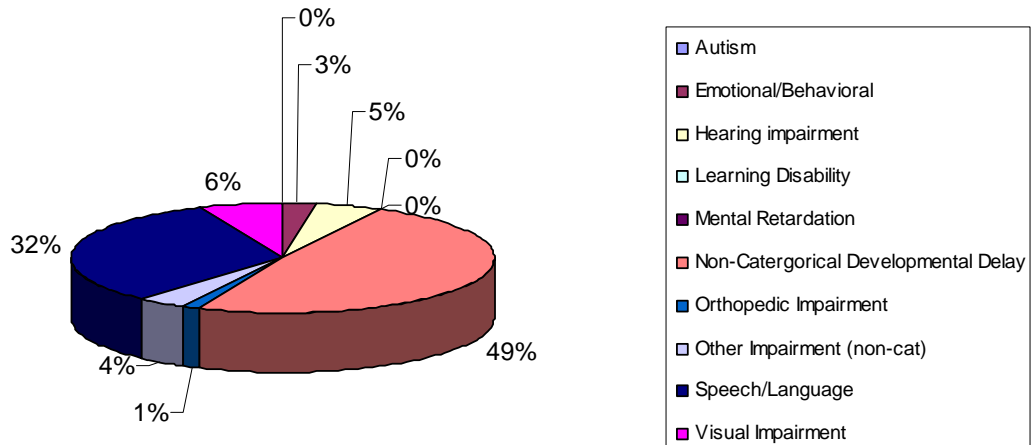


CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES SERVED

CAPE Head Start and Early Head Start served 242 children with disabilities in our classroom settings.



Early Head Start Disability

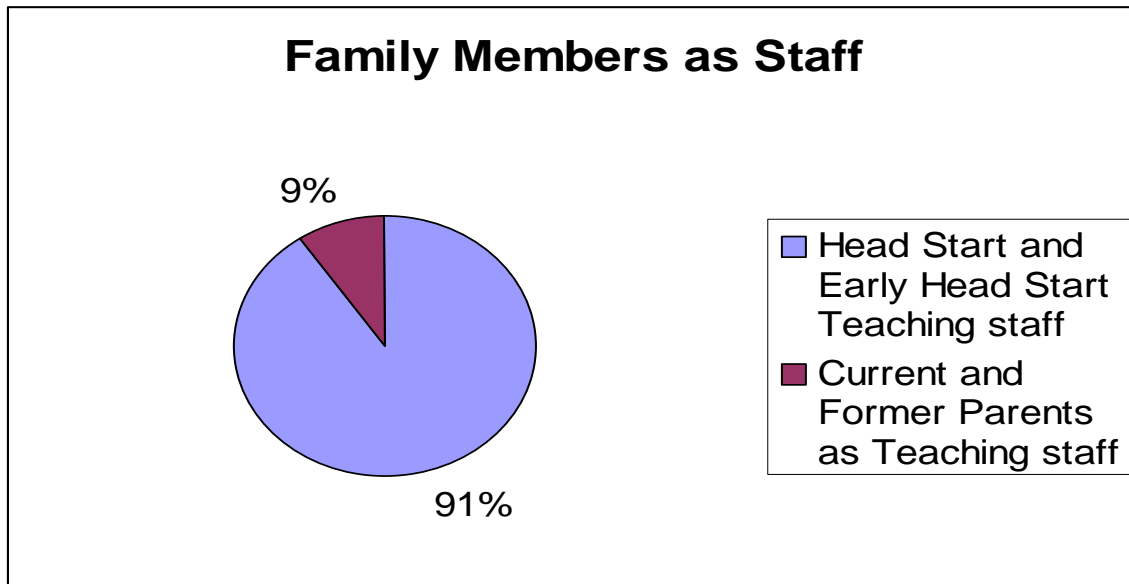


QUALITY STAFF

We strive to hire and promote quality staff. We also work hard to fund the continuing education for staff. We work in partnership with the Indiana Association for the Education of Young children through their TEACH program to ensure staff development.

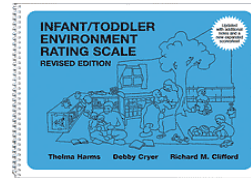
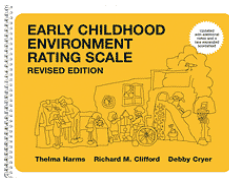
	Lead Teachers/ Caregivers	Associate Teachers	Teacher Assistants/ Caregiver Floats	Home Visitors	Local Site Managers
Graduate	0	0	1	0	0
Bachelors'	11	1	0	1	1
Associates	23	3	0	3	3
CDA	5	10	1	3	1
Staff without degrees or credentials	0	15	13	1	0
Enrolled in Associates	1	13	2	0	0
Enrolled in Bachelors'	5	1	0	0	3
Enrolled in Graduate	0	0	0	0	2

At CAPE Head Start and Early Head Start we strive to employ our parents and former parents. The following graph depicts the percentage of staff that are current and former Head Start family members.



PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT TOOLS

ECERS and ITERS are used twice a year to build on strengths of classrooms and teaching teams, as well as improve areas of weakness.



ELLCOs are used twice a year to improve the language and literacy areas of the classroom. The results are used to show teaching teams areas of strength and weakness.



Monthly Classroom Observations are used for training, evaluations, and overall classroom improvement.

The hope and beauty of the world as seen by the eyes of a child attending Head Start looking toward a fulfilling future.

