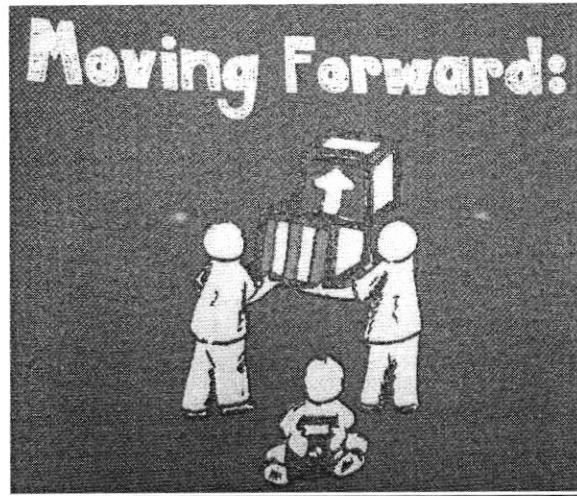


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Early Head Start Child Care
Parent Handbook*



Early Head Start-CC Program Philosophy

To provide a quality child development program for infants and toddlers and create meaningful family partnerships which support self-sufficiency, establish strong community partnerships and promote and support staff development.

Mission Statement

Little Dixie Head Start & Early Head Start-CC

- *Embracing Individuals
- *Providing Life Changing Education & Resources
- *Exceeding Expectations

Dear Parents:

I want to welcome you and your child to the Little Dixie Early Head Start-CC Program. Early Head Start is a Community Action program and it belongs to all of us. We want to serve you and want you to share your ideas and talents with us on behalf of your child.

While in the Early Head Start-CC program your child will be provided opportunities to grow physically, socially, emotionally and creatively. These growth opportunities come through a very specific plan that provides optimum play experiences.

Providing social and emotional experiences and movement is at the fore-front of the Early Head Start-CC experience. These components of behavior and experiences will help develop a stable foundation for positive youth and adult maturation.

In the Early Head Start-CC center based program, child to staff ratios and continuity of care are key to forming bonds and relationships between the teacher and child and parents. Each Early Head Start-CC staff have up to four children and these same four children remain with that staff person for nine months or longer until a time of transition to Head Start or another appropriate child-care setting.

Our program also offers services to pregnant women and their families through home visitation. Early Head Start-CC center based services are offered to children with special needs.

As we work together, we build stronger families, reach family self-sufficiency, and build stronger communities.

We look forward to a very meaningful and productive relationship with all of our children and families at Early Head Start-CC.

Sincerely,
Darla Gaylon
Head Start/Early Head Start/EHS-CC Director

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