

**Duluth Head Start Federal Budget for 2017-2018 School Year**

**Federal Grant Total- \$2,269,237.**

**Number of children and families served-239**

**Includes \$300,874. From a Duration/Expansion grant.**

This money was provided by an additional grant that expands the number of hours for 32 children. The required number of hours is 1020, up from our current 448 hours for children in a part day classroom. Research suggests this is the recommended dosage of early childhood education for children entering kindergarten.

This funding is an attempt to help Head Start programs transition more children in part day programs to full day programs. By 2021, Head Start would like all preschoolers in full day, 1020 hour classrooms.

This Duration/Expansion money also allows for a **half time coach** for classroom staff and a **floater teacher** to help accommodate the need to meet with staff being coached during the school day.