

Parent & Community Outreach Program

March 2017

Child Care -

Child Care is going to begin a transition period again. We are recommending a new lead child care aide for the infant/toddler room. Kami Wellman will be transferring to BES. We will also hire two part-time aid positions to fill the vacant positions.

We are having an issue with teen parent attendance. We give our teen parents priority to utilize the child care. We enroll their children, but their attendance is so sporadic that some days we have 3 kids in the infant room and other days we have 8 kids. I have discussed with Nikki Hannon several times and Carol Williamson with the Teen Parent Coalition to follow up and really case manage these parents so we can assist them to make sure they are attending school and meeting their needs. This year just seems to be one of those years that student attendance is consistently a problem.

Currently I child care license renewal is on hold due to a couple of issues. One is a personnel background issue. Second is staff professional development issue. The child care staff and I do not have enough current professional development hours to renew the license. This issue should be resolved by mid-March.

We have a few building problems. Our room continues to leak in the infant/toddler room right above what is supposed to be the diaper changing table. The ceiling tiles are on the verge of breaking so they left them open and placed a bucket to catch water. Then we discovered we have a mouse problem located in the ceiling area as we see mice peeking out of the tiles. We are hoping with nicer weather we can get maintenance to patch the roof again and the mouse situation under control.

The children are remaining active and consistently learning new colors, shapes, numbers, vocabulary, and a lot of social skills.