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Grade Level: Infants and Parents of Infants

School District: ISD 709

Project Title: Literacy Live!

Proposal Summary

A collaborative group of ECFE programs who serve fragile families will provide Literacy Live. This special event at Washington center will include home visit and First Year Families with infants.

Background

The families attending Literacy Live receive home visits or programming from certified ISD 709 teachers. The home visits are one on one with the families. First Year is a community collaborative program for parents who have experienced multiple ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences) in their life and are now first time parents. Literacy Live could bridge the home/school connection and begin the focused exploration of literacy in a supportive setting.

Project Description

Literacy Live will be held on a Thursday afternoon from 2:30-3:30 at Washington Center. There will be four literacy stations set up for parents to experience with their infants. Options could include making an infant texture book, vocabulary experiences using books, a theme based activity from a storybook and incorporating literacy at the snack table.

Each family will be presented with a new book and offered a home visit to promote book related literacy activities.

Standards

ISD 709 Literacy Goal

District goal:

By Spring 2016, all student groups will increase reading proficiency within minimum to maximum proficiency rate gain expectations, as measured by all accountability tests (October 1)

Early Childhood Indicators of Progress: Minnesota's Early Learning Guidelines for Birth to 3

Domain II: Language Development and Communication

Component: Emergent Literacy

Indicators: Shows interest in songs, rhymes and stories

Shows interest in photos, pictures and drawings.

Develops interest in and involvement with books and other print materials.

Begins to recognize and understand symbols.

Budget	Cost	Source of Funding
30 board books for infants	\$150	ARC Grant Application
Snack	\$30	Donation from a private business
Materials	\$30	ECFE
Transportation for cabs	\$200	ECFE
Staff (3 teachers/1 paraprofessional) at contract rate of pay		ECFE