

2012 – 2013 Denton ISD Head Start Self-Assessment
Prepared for the Board of Trustees Meeting
January 22, 2013

Purpose of Report

The purpose of the Self-Assessment is explained in section 1304.51 (i)(1) of the Head Start Performance Standards as a method of measuring agency accomplishments, strengths, and weaknesses. Self-Assessment promotes continuous improvement of program service delivery and quality, as well as focuses attention on issues that arise in the community, the program, and among enrolled families.

Board Goal

- I. **Vision**...In pursuit of excellence the district will:
 - b. Develop and maintain a culture where learning remains our first priority.
 - e. Develop a budget focused on student and professional learning.
- II. **Teaching & Learning**... In pursuit of excellence the district will:
 - h. Advocate and practice true accountability based on measurement of individual student progress over time, regardless of external mandates.
- III. **Climate**...In pursuit of excellence, the district will:
 - c. Establish a high expectation level for success for all students, staff, parents, and community.
- VI. **Growth, Change, and Fiscal Responsibility**...In pursuit of excellence the district will:
 - e. Demonstrate effective and efficient management of district resources.
 - f. Provide leadership and/or oversight to ensure District meets all fiscal, legal, and regulatory requirements.

History

Each Head Start Program is required to develop a comprehensive process for Self-Assessment that addresses all of the management systems and service areas that are part of every well-run Head Start program. AWSYC Head Start Program in partnership with all stakeholders follows the 4 stages of the self-assessment process:

Stage 1: Preparing

Stage 2: Collecting and Synthesizing

Stage 3: Interpreting

Stage 4: Strengthening

Objectives

The objectives of Head Start are clear:

- ❖ Enhance children's growth and development
- ❖ Strengthen families as the primary nurturers of their children
- ❖ Provide children with educational, health, and nutritional services
- ❖ Link children and families to needed community services
- ❖ Ensure well-managed programs that involve parents in decision-making

Appendix

The AWSYC Self-Assessment 2013 is attached. It was presented and approved by Policy Council on January 11, 2013. The Head Start Self-Assessment was completed in consultation and participation of the policy groups and, as appropriate, other community members, grantee and delegate agencies.