



MONTHLY REPORT FOR APRIL 2019

ADMINISTRATION: I was on Family Medical Leave for two weeks in February and the month of March 2019. I have returned to work on April 5th, with a doctor's approval.

PARENT POLICY COUNCIL: The Parent Policy Council met in March 2019. Minutes have been forwarded to the Superintendent of Schools. The PPC council will met every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 3:30, at the Head Start Center.

FAMILY NIGHT: Family Night is scheduled for April 16, 2019. The theme is aligned with the OWL Curriculum. The children and parents will be playing games, coloring eggs, and interacting with parents and children. Refreshments are served.

RECRUITMENT: We continue to recruit staff on a daily basis, using our Head Start Facebook page, the radio station, flyers, word of mouth, and posting of job descriptions. PPC council also helps with recruitment. I have requested council members to refer individuals to our program when they request a donation of funds.

MONTANA PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT: This is the last year for the MPDG state grant, which will end July 30, 2019. The biggest impact will be a reduced salary for the bonneau teachers. They were getting \$20.00 an hour, but will go back to the \$14.00 an hour. We will have some carry over funds, which we can use for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. A revised budget will be sent to the superintendent and to the state officials. The priority will be to fund our Bonneau teachers. July 30, 2018 will be the last day of work for the Family Engagement Coordinator.

CACFP: Our new Early Head Start Manager, Nicki Stump has gotten Head Start recertified for the CACFP program. We are also going thru an audit on our CACFP funds, which is normal procedure. We will go back three years and account for the dollars spent in that program.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE: Dr. Yazzie LaMont was here for two days providing us with Head Start Management training and PPC training. He will be returning in July for further training with the PPC.

ONE TIME ONLY FUNDING: We are eligible for a one time only funding grant. We will be requesting funds for sidewalk repair, carpeting in two classrooms, and tile repair at the Head Start Center.

COST OF LIVING APPLICATION: The COLA application has been sent off with the PPC minutes. Staff will receive a small increase in their salaries due to the COLA.

FIVE (5) YEAR GRANT: We will be submitting a new five-year grant in October 2019. I will be meeting with parents, staff, board, and council members to make them aware of the submittal and requesting their input for any changes that they see necessary. The good news is that we are not on a competitive basis, but on a continuation cycle.

TRIBAL FUNDS: I have requested our tribal funds from the chair. I also did a budget breakdown on distribution of those funds, where the staff with Bachelors would receive the majority of funds.

EASTER: Children will be having their own easter egg hunt at Head Start. They will be dying eggs, and will all receive a basket with candy. Thanks to Harlan Gopher who donated funds for the candy.

HAPPY EASTER!