

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT  
Department of Early Childhood Education  
November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

A total of 46 pregnant women/children were enrolled in Early Head Start in the month of October and 190 children were enrolled in Head Start. We currently have 33 slots filled in Great Start Readiness Program for the 2019-2020 program year. We continue to accept and review applications. A total of 78 breakfasts, 78 lunches and 77 snacks were served in the month of August. A total of 1866 breakfasts, 2121 lunches and 731 snacks were served in September.

The request for an amendment to the Head Start Supplemental Start-up funds was approved. A vehicle has been purchased from Stateline Chevy-Buick-GMC of Iron River, as low bidder.

Office staff have begun work on the annual Head Start Self-Assessment. The Self-Assessment will be completed in November-December and work will then begin on the annual Community Needs Assessment.

Coordinator-to-Coordinator staff meetings have been completed with each classroom teaching team. At these meetings, office staff and classroom staff meet to discuss support for families, plan for challenging children and other challenges the classroom may be facing.

Performance evaluations will be conducted for each Early Head Start Home Visitor in December.

The Great Start Readiness Acceptance of Funds Application (grant application) was due and submitted on November 8th. Casey, Debbie Beauchamp and Jennifer worked with West Iron County and Forest Park School Districts to collect the required information for the application.

The Great Start Collaborative-Children First Summit was hosted October 4<sup>th</sup> at Pine Grove. Approximately 200 people attended the event.

The Dickinson-Iron Healthy Youth Coalition hosted the 21<sup>st</sup> annual Youth Asset Development Summit on October 29th at Bay West. A total of seven districts (including Florence and Niagara) had students in attendance at the summit.

The DIISD has been awarded additional funding to support work within the Early On program. Casey will work with Cherie Fila to have the 54d grant application submitted by the November 30<sup>th</sup> deadline.