



Lake Cumberland Head Start

Annual Report

2022-2023

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MISSION STATEMENT

The vision of the Lake Cumberland Head Start Program is to utilize a positive team effort to enhance the lives of “at-risk” children ages birth to five and their families by supporting and enriching the child’s developmental growth physically, socially, emotionally, culturally, linguistically, and intellectually. Recognizing that parents are the primary educators of their children, the program will provide opportunities to enhance their growth and well-being by assisting them to become self-sufficient through collaboration with community resources. The program strives to provide high-quality services that are nurturing, age-appropriate, preventative/early intervention, and successful transitions. Lake Cumberland Head Start Program desires that every child be successful in school and life.



Lake Cumberland Head Start and the Lake Cumberland Community Action Agency, the grantee, hold strongly to the notion that early intervention with young children is necessary to ensure they are ready and prepared to begin their formal education experiences, with self-confidence, skills, and motivation to learn and excel. In concert with that notion is the belief that a partnership between parents, families, and Head Start personnel will create and nurture the families' desire, dignity, skill, self-esteem, and respect needed to achieve social and economic self-sufficiency. The goal is to improve the quality of life for Head Start children and their families.

Program	Target Population	Counties Currently Served
Head Start (HS)	Children ages three to five	Adair, Casey, Clinton, Cumberland, Green, McCreary, Pulaski, Russell, Taylor, Wayne
Early Head Start (EHS)	Children from birth to age three and Expectant Mothers	Adair, Casey and Taylor
Migrant Head Start*	Children of migrant and seasonal farmworkers, from birth to age	Pulaski

*LCCAA serves 32 Migrant/Seasonal Head Start students through a contract with Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison, & Nicholas Counties, Inc. Data for these children is included in the Community Action Council annual report.

There is a strong and consistent commitment to working collaboratively with community organizations, agencies, businesses, and elected officials to maximize and enhance available services for both Head Start eligible children and their families. It is also within the philosophy of the Lake Cumberland Head Start that staff must be qualified, nurtured, encouraged, and rewarded as they enhance their skills and educational levels to provide the quality services deserved by the children and their families. Inherent to the philosophy is the determination to be a change agent within the communities served, to serve as advocates and liaisons for the low-income, and to strive to ensure the program and services address the real needs of the population and communities in a planned, orderly, efficient, effective, and professional manner.

Revenues & Budget

FY 2022 REVENUES	
Federal Head Start Funding	\$9,796,469
Federal Migrant Funding	\$438,510
In-kind (Generated by LCCAA)	\$1,843,820
CACFP	\$339,362
Ancillary Grants (WHAS, PRIDE)	\$1,110,648

TOTAL*Includes ARPA **\$13,528,809**

FY 2023 BUDGET	
Personnel	\$2,948,287
Fringe Benefits	\$1,663,643
Supplies	\$51,000
Contractual	\$259,567
Other	\$884,648
Indirect Costs	\$595,125
Travel	\$57,423
Equipment	\$598,422

TOTAL *Includes Arpa **\$7,058,115**

FY 2024 Proposed BUDGET	
Personnel	\$3,542,071
Fringe Benefits	\$2,135,590
Supplies	\$65,093
Contractual	\$263,567
Other	\$1,012,455
Indirect Costs	\$573,815
Travel	\$45,765
Equipment	\$0

TOTAL **\$7,638,356**



Early Head Start

The Early Head Start (EHS) Program provides early, continuous, comprehensive, and high-quality services to underserved infants, toddlers, and expectant women in our community. The Program center-based options provide services for 52 children, ages 0-3, and expectant moms throughout Adair, Casey, and Cumberland Counties.

Guided by the Creative Curriculum, The Program caregivers create a developmental environment that is age-specific and appropriate, providing children opportunities for the exploration of a variety of sensory, motor, and social experiences. Program Staff understands that a child's pattern of development and learning is unique and needs individualized support and encouragement. Caregivers provide complete developmental assessments for each child based on observation, parental input, and standardized assessment tools.

As determined by the results of a comprehensive assessment, children and their families have access to various additional support services, such as early intervention services for children who have been identified as having special needs or referrals to appropriate medical or social services. In addition to child development, family development is also supported.

EHS parents have access to literacy development, parenting and child development workshops, mental health services, parent support, and involvement groups, classroom/program and volunteer opportunities, and other activities that foster growth and confidence in parenting abilities. The Program believes that providing family education and development opportunities helps the EHS parents grow in their skills and abilities to effectively be their child's first and lifelong teachers.

Early Head Start

2022-2023

Total Enrollment: 59

Families Served: 50

*75%-Income Eligible

*12%-Public Assistance

*1.7%-Foster Child

*8%-Homeless

*36%-Raised by single parents

Language

*97%-English

*1.7%-Spanish

*1.7%-Unspecified

Race/Ethnicity

*85%-White

*7%-Black

*8%-Multi-Racial

Ages

*25%-Under the age of 1

*27%-1 year of age

*46%-2 years of age

Employment and Education

*46%-parents employed

*47%-parents in school/training

***of the children who were enrolled**



Head Start

The Lake Cumberland Head Start (HST) center locations serve 592 children between the ages of 3 and 5 throughout Adair, Casey, Clinton, Cumberland, Green, McCreary, Pulaski, Russell, Taylor, and Wayne counties.

Head Start has a long tradition of delivering comprehensive and high-quality services designed to foster healthy development for at-risk/low-income children. Administered by the Office of Head Start in the Administration for Children and Families Division in the Department of Health and Human Services, grantee and delegate agencies provide a range of individualized services in the areas of education and early childhood development; health, dental, mental health, nutrition, and parent involvement. The entire range of Head Start services is responsive and appropriate to each child's and family's development, cultural and linguistic heritage, and experience.

Staff encourages parents to become invested and involved in their child's education. By fostering parent involvement through workshops, parent-teacher conferences, parent groups, and classroom volunteer opportunities, our HST parents gain the confidence and skills necessary to help their child succeed in school and life

By the time they enter kindergarten, the HST children will have learned the academic foundations and social skills necessary to succeed. The Program staff work with HS children and parents to ensure that the transition to Kindergarten is as smooth as possible academically, socially, emotionally, and logistically.

Program Staff works diligently to serve diverse populations within our community, including families with limited or no English, children, and parents with disabilities, and families who are homeless or face other challenges – because every child deserves a “Head Start”!

Head Start 2022-2023

Total Enrollment: 595

Families Served: 410

*63%-Income Eligible

*16% -Public Assistance

*4%- Foster Children

*9%-Homeless

*38%-single parent home

Language

*97%-English

*2%-Spanish

*1%-Middle Eastern Language

*3%-Acquiring another language

Race/Ethnicity

*88%- White

*.3%-Asian

*4.2-Multi/Biracial

Ages

*30%-3 years of age

*67%-4 years of age

*2%-2 years of age (children come into program with an identified need)

Employment and Education

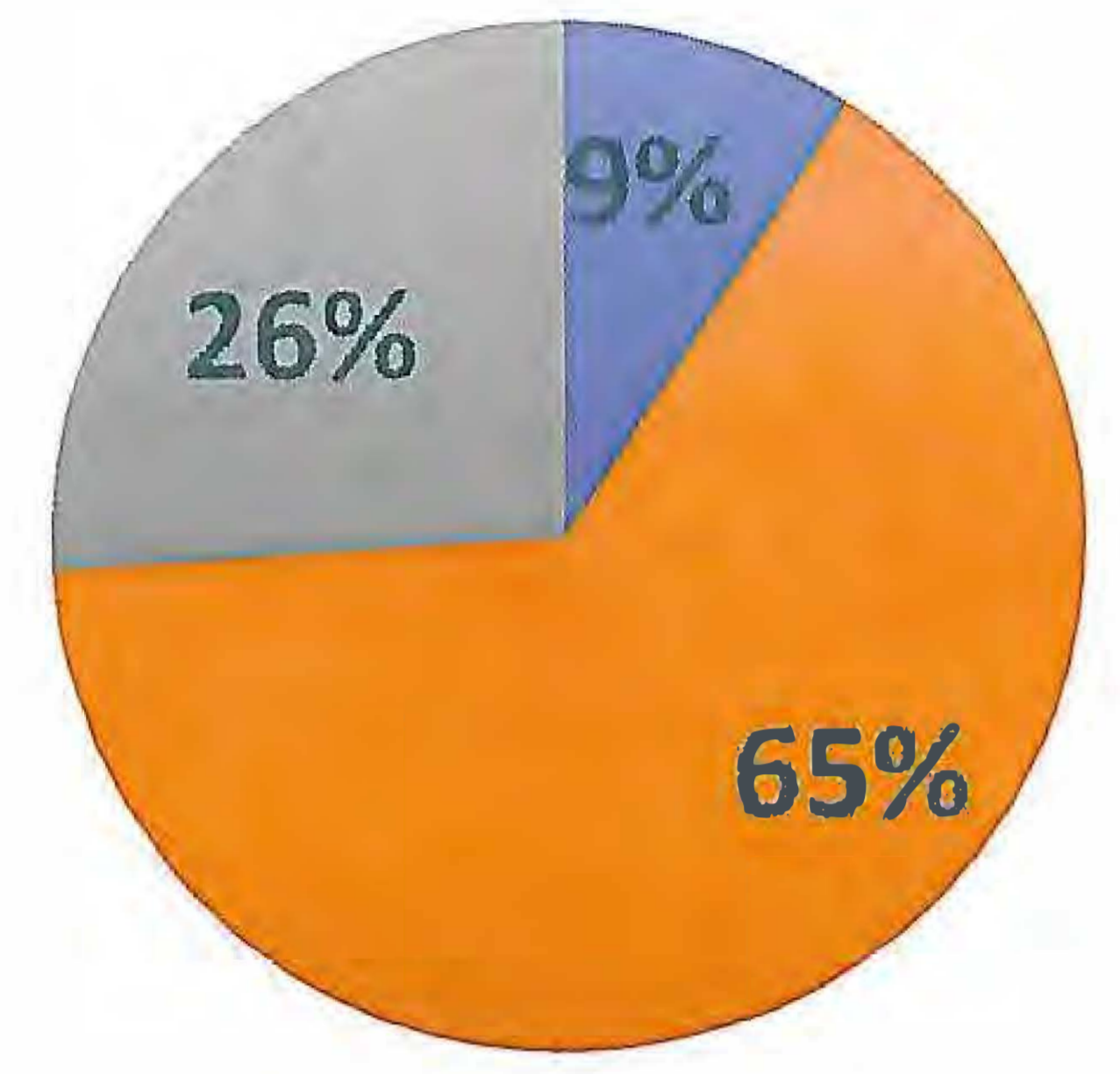
*63%-1 parent working

*2%-parent in school

***Of the children that were enrolled**

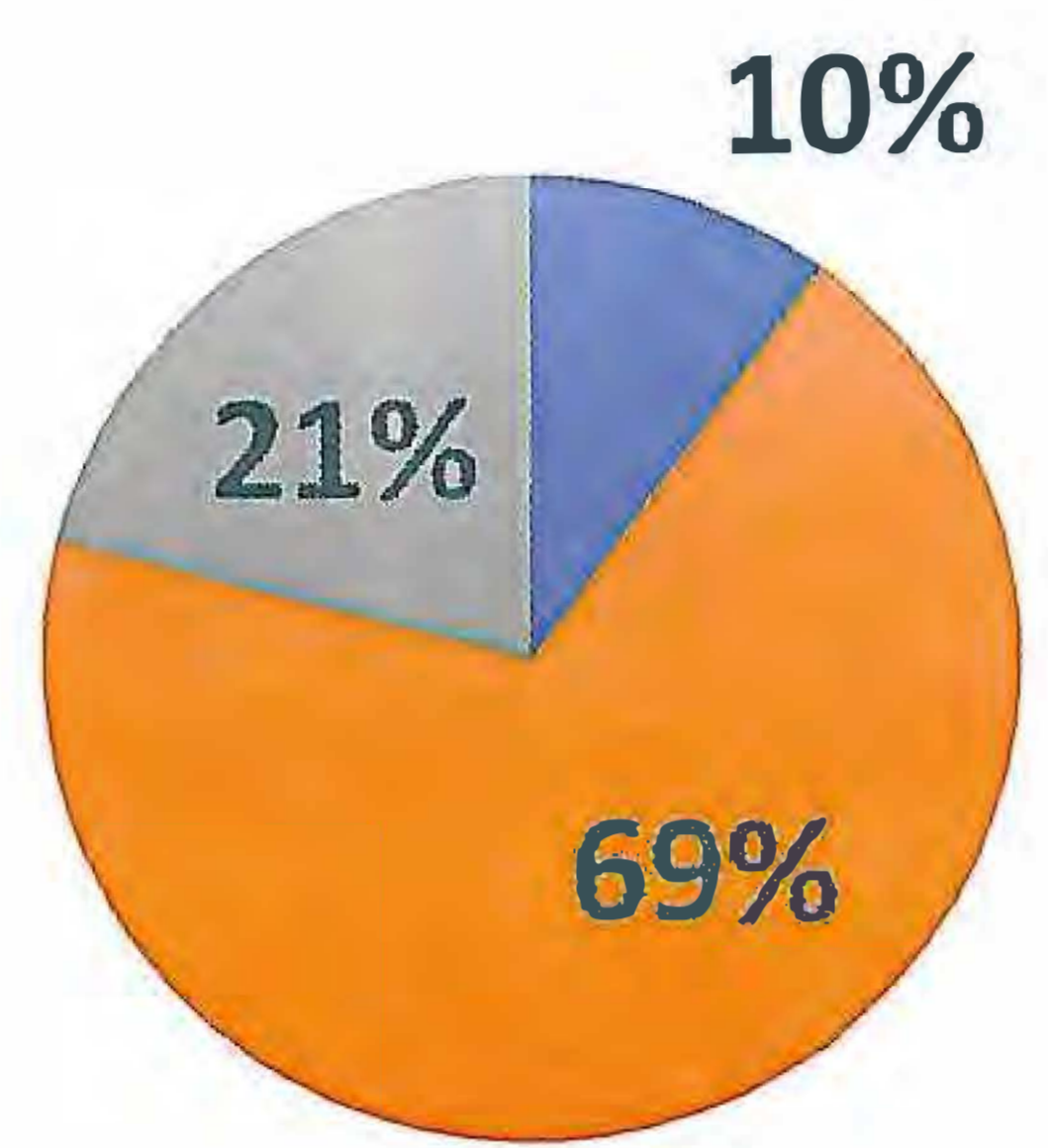
TEACHING STRATEGIES GOLD
PRE-K CHILD OUTCOMES
2022/2023

Social Emotional



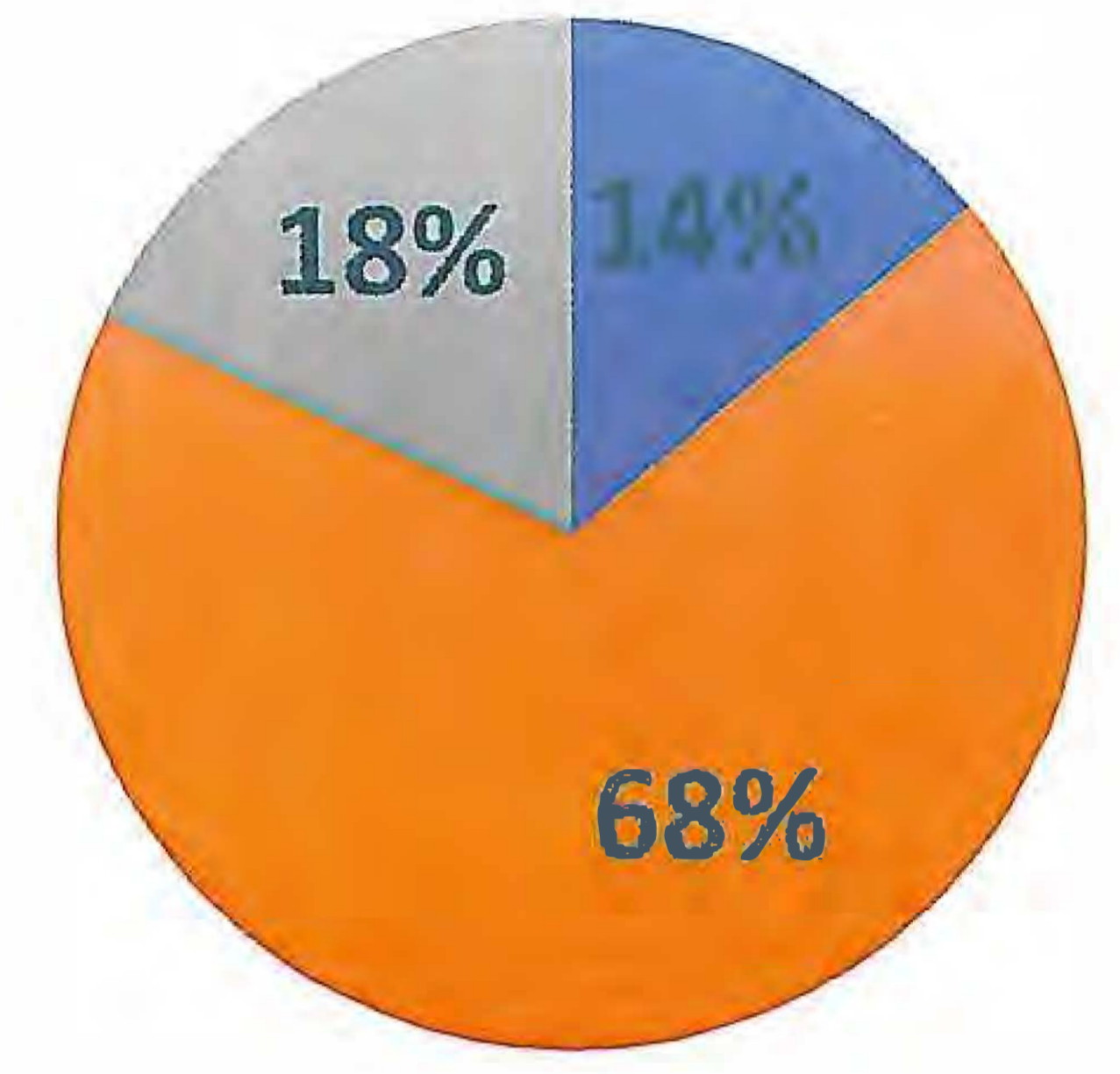
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Perceptual, Motor, & Physical Development



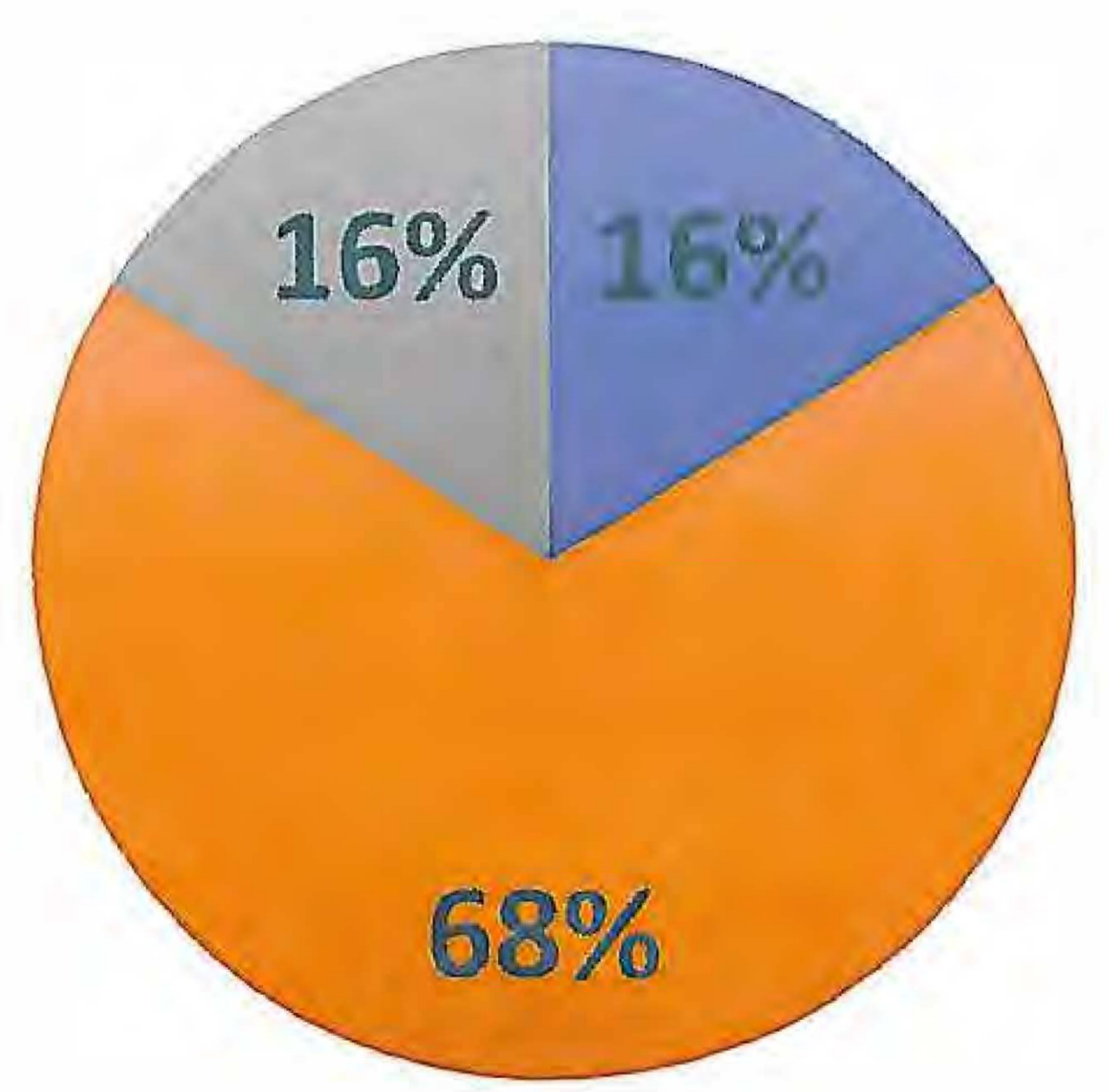
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Language & Literacy



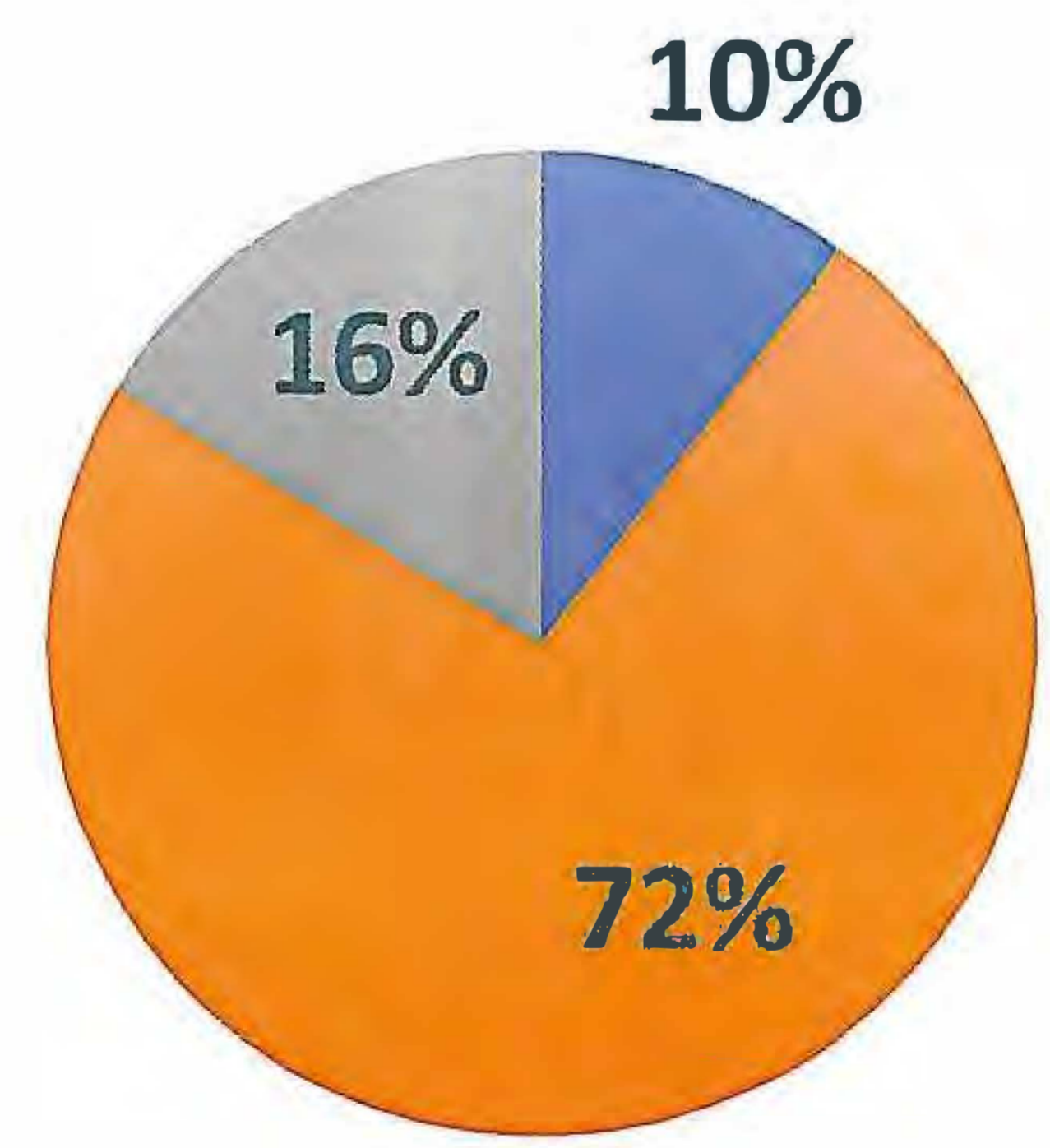
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Cognitive



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Approaches to Learning



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Lake Cumberland HS Program

5630 - Pre-K CLASS® Average Score Charts

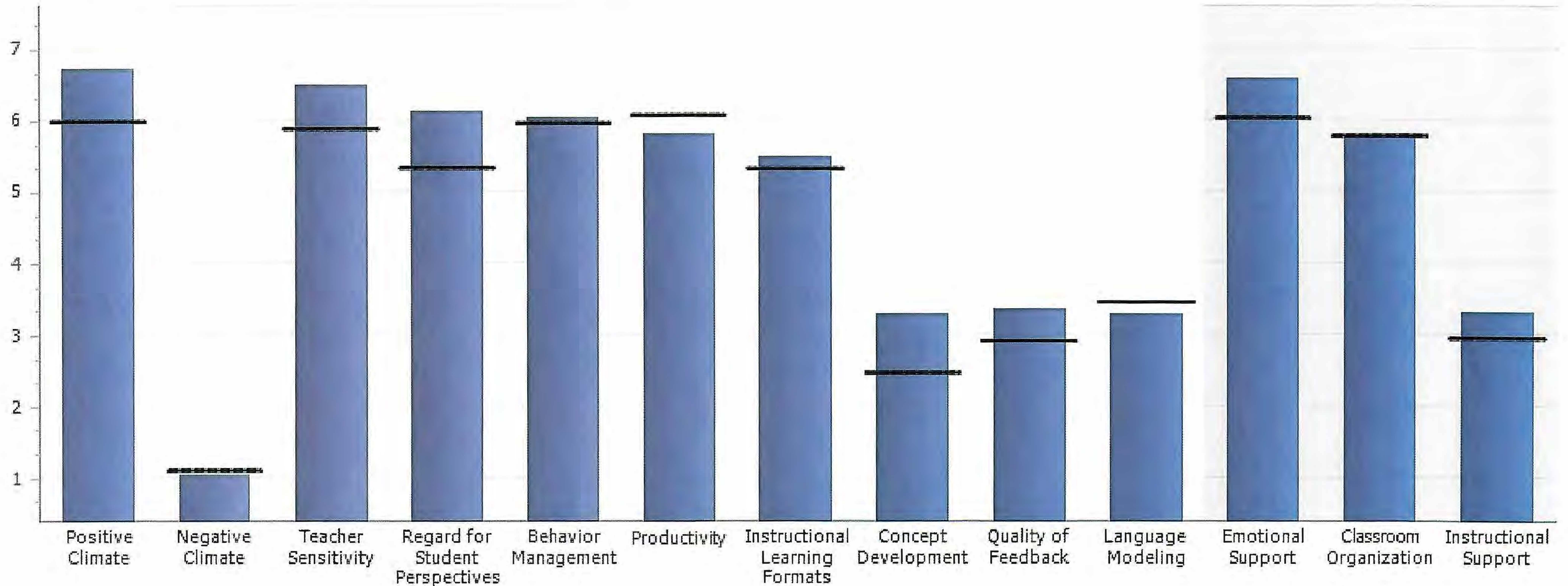
Observations occurring: 9/1/2022 - 5/1/2023

2020 National Average (dotted line)

2020 National Average - - - - (dashed line)

2020 National Average _____ (solid line)

HS 2022-2023



9/1/22 - 5/1/23

	PC	NC	TS	RSP	BM	PD	ILF	CD	QF	LM	ES	CO	IS
9/1/22 - 5/1/23	6.71	1.02	6.49	6.12	6.02	5.8	5.48	3.26	3.33	3.27	6.58	5.77	3.29



School Readiness

Lake Cumberland Community Action Agency/Lake Cumberland Head Start Program (LCCAA/HST) is a high-quality program serving children ages birth to five. The Program understands the importance of its role and that the foundation for school readiness begins in the earliest years of life. It is the desire of LCCAA/HST that every child be successful in school and life.

LCCAA/HST is a comprehensive program that offers remarkable opportunities to foster not only competence for school success but competence in all areas of development for both its parents and children. LCCAA/HST ensures that children's goals are aligned with The Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework (HSELOF) and Kentucky's Early Childhood Standards to prepare children for kindergarten. Learning activities are offered across the five essential domains of the HSELOF: Approaches to Learning, Social & Emotional Development, Language and Literacy, Cognition and Perceptual, Motor, and Physical Development to support and prepare children to enter school with the skills and behaviors needed to grow and succeed. Assessments are completed three times a year; at beginning-year, mid-year, and end-year. Data is also collected on an ongoing basis to implement individualized goals for children to be successful and determine how well children are progressing. The

Education Content Area Manager will generate child outcome reports using Teaching Strategies Gold (TSG) three times a year (beginning-, mid- and end-year) and use the results to strengthen its quality of teaching instruction, plan for professional development and plan for training at pre-service. The child outcome report is shared with the Head Start Director, Content Area Managers, Local Area Managers, teaching staff, parents, and Policy Council. LCCAA/HST is a comprehensive program comprised of systems ensuring school readiness efforts continue to be supported and implemented on behalf of the children and families.

School Readiness is embedded into Program Governance, Planning, Communication, Record Keeping, and Reporting, On-going Monitoring, Self-Assessment, Human Resources, Fiscal Management, and Enrollment, Recruitment, Eligibility, Selection and Attendance (ERESA). All systems collaborate, analyze data, and plan to ensure high-quality services are provided to the children and families in the Head Start Program.

curriculum-embedded

on-going

naturalistic

systematic

play-based

authentic

assessment

observation-based

developmentally appropriate

To ensure that LCHS children are meeting their developmental needs we use the following evidence-based assessment tool:

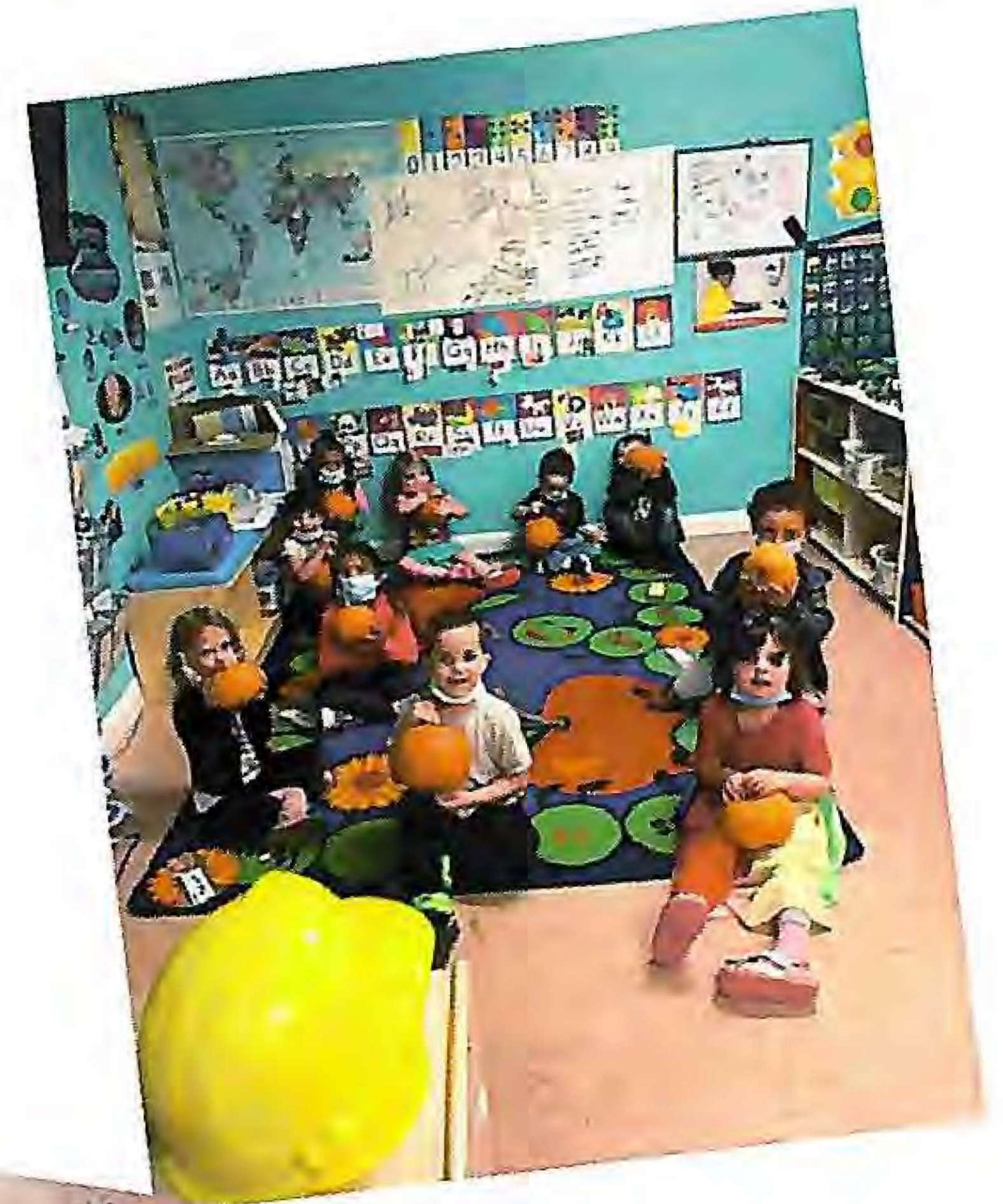
Teaching Strategies GOLD (TSG), an observation-based learning assessment tool for children from birth to kindergarten. TSG helps teachers evaluate knowledge and skills gains in ten areas of development that are predictive of future school and long-term success:

- Social-Emotional
- Physical-Gross Motor
- Physical-Fine Motor
- Language
- Cognitive
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Science & Technology
- Social Studies
- The Arts

TSG is used for dual-language learners and children with disabilities. Program staff receives continuous training on how to perform the TSG assessment and how to use the results for more intentional, effective instruction. TSG is administered for each child three times per year.

Parent Involvement Activities 2022-2023

- 👏 Pumpkin Patch Walk
- 👏 Fall Lunch/Dinner
- 👏 Holiday Breakfast
- 👏 Transition to Kindergarten/School Readiness
- 👏 1-2-3 Magic Parenting Curriculum (virtual option)
- 👏 Dr. Seuss Literacy Week
- 👏 Importance of Bed-Time Routines
- 👏 Family Movie Night
- 👏 Dances – Valentine and Dance with Dad
- 👏 Alphabet Egg Hunt
- 👏 Community Partner/ PRIDE Activities
- 👏 Healthy Babies
- 👏 Home Safety
- 👏 Stress/Time Management
- 👏 Nature Field Trip
- 👏 Mental Health Educational Activities
- 👏 GED/Education/Financial Aide Assistance
- 👏 Budgeting and Loan Information



Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, & Attendance (ERSEA)

ERSEA determines community strengths, needs, and resources as well as recruitment areas. It contains requirements and procedures for the eligibility determination, recruitment, selection, enrollment, and the attendance of children.

Family & Community Engagement Program

LCCHS integrates parent and family engagement strategies into all systems and program services to support family well-being and promote children's learning and development.

Health Program Services

LCCHS provides high-quality health, oral health, mental health, and nutrition services that are developmentally, culturally, and linguistically appropriate and that will support each child's growth and school readiness.

Mental Health

LCCHS provides support for effective classroom management and positive learning environments; supportive teacher practices; strategies for supporting children with challenging behaviors and other social, emotional, and mental health concerns.

Disabilities

LCCHS ensures that the individualized needs of children with disabilities are being met and all children have access to and can fully participate in the full range of activities and services.

Education

LCCHS provides high-quality early education and child development services (including for children with disabilities) that promote children's cognitive, social, and emotional growth for later success in school. The program delivers developmentally, culturally, and linguistically appropriate learning experiences in language, literacy, mathematics, social and emotional functioning, approaches to learning, science, physical skills, and creative arts.

Transportation

LCCHS provides transportation to all enrolled children, except for Early Head Start. The program makes reasonable efforts to coordinate transportation resources with other human service agencies in the community to control costs and to improve the quality and availability of transportation services. The program ensures all accidents involving vehicles that transport children are reported per applicable state requirements.

Nutrition

LCCHS has designed and implemented nutrition services that are culturally and developmentally appropriate, meet the nutritional needs of children while accommodating the feeding requirements of each child including children with special dietary needs and children with disabilities.

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 Erica Turner, FSS/CC

Adair Early Head Start

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Casey Co. Early Head Start

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