



## Fairfax County Head Start & Early Head Start Program

# Program Information Report (PIR) Summary

Program Year 2021-2022

The Office of Head Start Program Information Report (PIR) provides comprehensive data on the services, staff, children, and families served by Head Start and Early Head Start programs nationwide. All grantees and delegates are required to submit Program Information Reports. The PIR data are compiled for use at the federal, regional, state, and local levels.

This report includes information on the children who participate in Fairfax County's federally funded Head Start (HS) and Early Head Start (EHS) programs and will be used for goal planning in the 2022-2023 program year.

### ENROLLMENT



The program is funded to serve 714 children and expectant parents in Head Start and Early Head Start. A total of 801 children were served throughout the year.

Seventy-one percent of families speak a language other than English at home.

- 41% speak Spanish
- 16% speak a Middle Eastern/ South Asian language
- 11% speak an African language
- 3% speak another language

### EDUCATION SERVICES



The program implements curricula and developmental assessment tools that are scientifically valid and reliable and are aligned with the public schools Program of Studies.

The program uses CLASS (Classroom Assessment Scoring System) to assess effective teacher-child interactions.

In the fall of 2021, 251 children transitioned from Head Start into kindergarten. Sixty percent of newly enrolled children received developmental screenings within 45 days of enrollment.

### FAMILY SERVICES



One hundred percent of families participated in health and parenting education.

Three hundred seventy-one families needed and received emergency/ crisis intervention, such as food, clothing or housing.

### DISABILITIES



Children with disabilities comprised 12% of enrollment in the HS/EHS grant and 6% in the EHS-Child Care Partnership grant.

Sixty HS/EHS children served had an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) and 30 EHS children had an individual Family Service Plan (FSP).

### HEALTH & MENTAL HEALTH



Eighty-two percent of all children were current on immunizations and 54% were up-to-date on the schedule of preventative and primary health care per the state's Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) schedule.

Seventy-nine children were referred for and received services from a mental health professional.

### NUTRITION



Twenty-seven percent of children in Head Start (ages 3-5) were identified as not being within the healthy weight category, which included children who were identified as underweight, overweight, and obese.

Nutritionists provided nutrition education, healthy food resources to address food insecurity, and information on the benefits of increased physical activity.