

# ANNUAL REPORT



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Ready for school and a lifetime of learning



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## 2024-2025

# SCHOOL READINESS

## FORMULA FOR SUCCESS

**Ready Program** + **Ready Families** + **Ready Schools** + **Ready Communities** = **Ready Children**



### MISSION STATEMENT

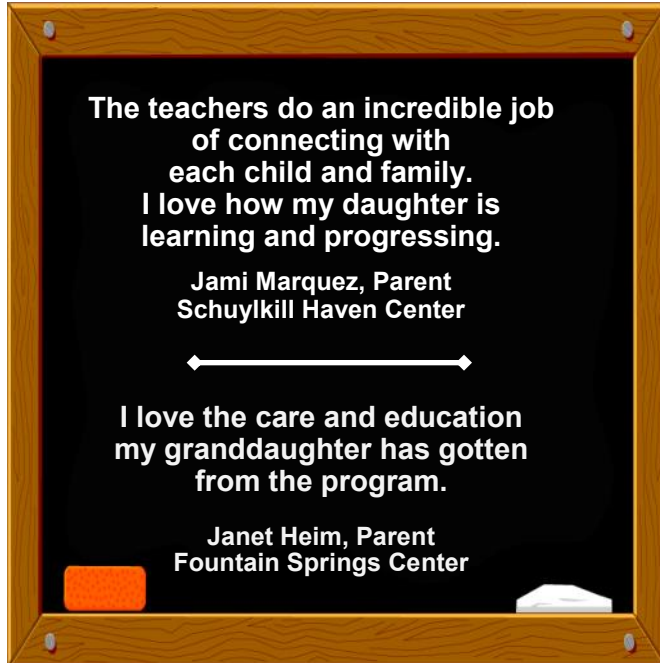
We work with families and the community to provide high quality, comprehensive early childhood education with an emphasis on family involvement and supportive services that prepares each child for success in school and **a lifetime of learning.**

Families ★ Head Start ★ PreK Counts  
Child Care ★ Early Intervention ★ Community

We are so happy with our son's teachers!  
They have a really special, loving, and caring bond with the children.

It's awesome having teachers that really care!

Alexandra Mullins, Parent  
Pottsville 2 Center



The teachers do an incredible job of connecting with each child and family. I love how my daughter is learning and progressing.

Jami Marquez, Parent  
Schuylkill Haven Center

I love the care and education my granddaughter has gotten from the program.

Janet Heim, Parent  
Fountain Springs Center

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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### The Importance of Quality Preschool Education

90% of a child's brain develops before kindergarten. More than 85% of the foundation for communication, critical thinking, problem-solving, and team work is developed by age 5 - skills that employers cite as critical to success in the workplace.

Children who attend a quality preschool program

- ✓ enter kindergarten more prepared
- ✓ achieve greater success
- ✓ receive less remediation
- ✓ do not need costly early intervention services
- ✓ have fewer grade retentions
- ✓ have higher standardized test scores
- ✓ are more likely to graduate high school
- ✓ less likely to get involved with law enforcement
- ✓ less likely to be incarcerated

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### READY PROGRAM

#### COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

In Schuylkill County, there are **2966** preschool children (ages 3-5).

**60%** live in families with income at or below 300% of the federal poverty level.

**19%** live in households at or below 100% of the federal poverty guidelines.

**Only 21%** have access to publicly-funded, high-quality, early education programs.

Our Head Start, PA PreK Counts, and child care sites are located in communities with the greatest need for publicly-funded, high-quality, early education programs: Ashland, Mahanoy City, Pottsville, Saint Clair, Schuylkill Haven, Shenandoah, and Tamaqua.



Positive Solutions  
for Families  
was a great experience!

I was able to learn a lot.  
I was able to implement what I learned  
into my daily life as a single mother.

These classes were very beneficial.

Faridah Hussein, Parent  
Saint Clair Center



#### COMPREHENSIVE EARLY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

ENROLLMENT	HEAD START	PA PRE-K COUNTS
Funded Enrollment	299	234
Decrease in Funded Enrollment Due to Staffing Crisis	- 54	- 36
Actual Enrollment	333	257
Turnover	10%	8%
Monthly Enrollment	100%	100%
Attendance	84%	86%
Eligible Children Served	59%	21%
Transition to Kindergarten	63%	60%

#### PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Keystone STAR 4 Designation:** highest level of quality standards in Pennsylvania
- **Pennsylvania Positive Behavior Support Network (PAPBS):** recognized for implementation of **Program-Wide Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS)** with fidelity at the universal and Tier 2 levels (8 centers/34 classrooms)
- **Schuylkill Chamber of Commerce:** **Non-Profit of the Year**
- **Education Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program:** Preschool Scholarships
- **Runner-up: Ted Daniels Community Development Award — Schuylkill SMILES Project —** Northeastern PA Non-Profit & Community Center
- **Organizational PQAS:** Pennsylvania Office of Child Development & Early Learning
- **Act 48 Provider:** Pennsylvania Department of Education

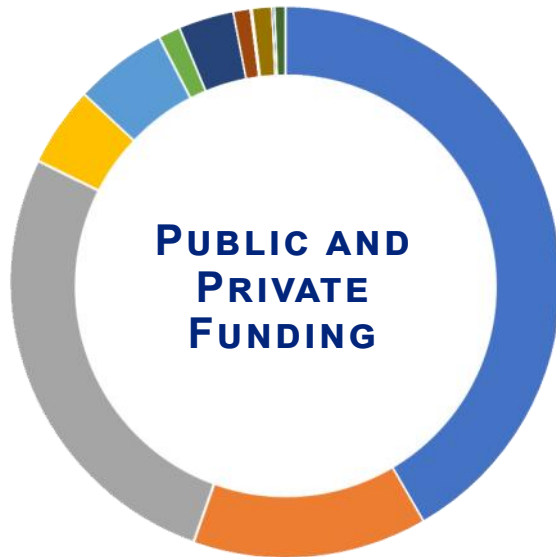


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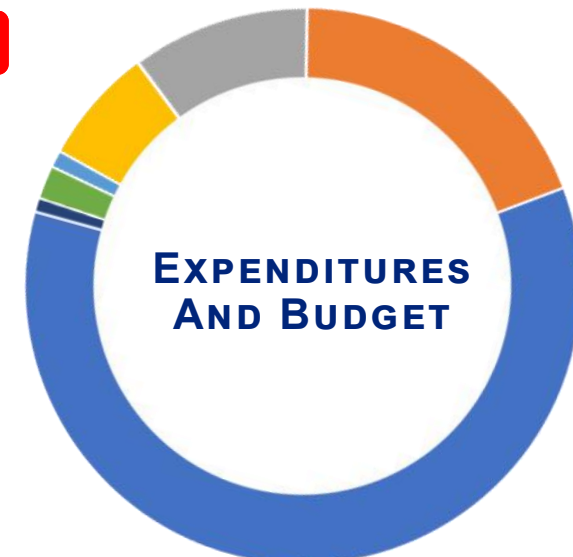
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### READY PROGRAM



Head Start	\$3,808,113	(42%)
PA PreK Counts (State)	\$2,457,000	(27%)
ELRC	\$1,256,310	(14%)
Head Start Supplemental (State)	\$499,825	(5%)
CACFP	\$427,330	(5%)
Child Care Works (state subsidy)	\$295,899	(3%)
Child Care Fees	\$117,738	(1%)
Inter-Program Income (includes CRIZ)	\$104,716	(1%)
Schuylkill United Way (Local)	\$91,350	(1%)
Donations/Local Grants	\$57,865	(1%)
Fund Raising	\$14,977	(0%)
EITC	\$9,750	(0%)
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE FUNDING</b>	<b>\$9,140,873</b>	<b>(100%)</b>

- **Program Audit:** in process
- **401k Retirement Audit:** completed with no findings



Salaries & Benefits	\$5,311,732	(60%)
Administrative Salaries & Benefits	\$1,683,415	(19%)
Program, Health & Transportation	\$918,918	(10%)
Occupancy	\$601,885	(7%)
Professional Fees & Insurance	\$171,918	(2%)
General Supplies & Administrative	\$87,929	(1%)
Professional Development/Training & Travel	\$71,733	(1%)
Miscellaneous	\$2,440	(0%)
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND BUDGET</b>	<b>\$8,849,970</b>	<b>(100%)</b>

- **No areas of non-compliance:** Office of Head Start, PA PreK Counts, and Head Start State On-Site Monitoring Reviews

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### READY FAMILIES

### PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT



### Opportunities

- Parent/Child Orientation Days
- Conferences/Home Visits: 4 per year (minimum)
- Weekly Happenings
- Classroom Volunteers
- Special Center Activities
- Special Activities for Fathers
- Supporting Transitions
- Center (Parent) Committee
- Leadership Opportunities
  - Center Committee Officers
  - Policy Council Representatives
  - Board of Directors
- Parent Education/Networking Sessions
- Health/Mental Health Advisory Committee
- Positive Solutions for Families Classes
- Support and education to improve health, oral health/dental, nutrition, development, behavior, and attendance

### Family Support Services

- parent education for school readiness
- emergencies and crisis assistance
- obtaining and affording child care
- housing assistance
- transportation
- mental health and wellness
- substance misuse prevention & treatment
- prevention of child abuse and neglect
- domestic violence
- dual language learners (DLL)
- adult education (GED, credentials, college courses)
- job training
- medical and dental homes
- obtaining health insurance
- smoke-free environments & smoking cessation
- asset building and financial planning



**IF YOU STRENGTHEN THE FAMILY,  
YOU STRENGTHEN THE CHILD.**  
~ FRED ROGERS

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES	HEAD START	PA PRE-K COUNTS
Number of Families	318	222
Participated in Parent/Child Orientation Days, Home Visits, and Conferences for their children	100%	100%
Engaged through planned child/parent focused activities	100%	100%
Participated in the Family Partnership Agreement to identify family goals and connection to school readiness goals for their children	100%	100%
Received at least one family supportive service	100%	100%
Parents/families working, enrolled in educational or training program	76%	94%

### READY SCHOOLS

- Kindergarten teachers from Mahanoy, North Schuylkill, and Pottsville school districts were active members of the School Readiness Leadership Team
- Partnered with 12 school districts and one Charter School to ensure a successful transition for children and families with Memorandums of Understanding/Transition Agreements in compliance with the *Every Child Succeeds Act (ESSA)*

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### READY COMMUNITIES

**Community partnerships and collaborative efforts support children and families and maximize limited resources.**

- **307 community members** volunteered in our Program
- **Schuylkill Hope Center (formerly Schuylkill Women in Crisis), Schuylkill Housing Authority, Children and Youth Services, Departments of Health and Human Services, the Salvation Army, Schuylkill Community Action, Nurse Family Partnership, Maternal and Family Health Services (WIC)** to ensure our families receive needed supportive services
- **Schuylkill Intermediate Unit #29** to further evaluate and deliver early intervention services to our children
- **Families Learning Together** to address family literacy, English language learners, adult and early childhood education, obtaining a GED, job skill improvement
- **Schuylkill County Drug and Alcohol Prevention Partnership** to provide a parent education program – **Positive Solutions for Families** and **515** prevention resources bags, including Safer Lock Boxes, Prescription Bottle Locking Caps, and Detera Pouches
- **St Luke's Health and Dental Initiatives** to address the needs of our children and families for access to affordable dental care, prevention, and treatment AND on-site lead screenings for our children
- **Tri-Valley Dental Office** to provide preventative dental care and treatment
- **St. Luke's Rural Health Dental Clinic** to provide on-site preventative dental care and treatment options at the clinic
- **Geisinger Health Plan** to provide preventative health, dental health, and nutrition programs for our children and families; on-site preventative dental care
- **St Luke's OUD/SUD Partnership** to address substance use disorder in our communities; including Ending Stigma and naloxone administration training; providing centers with Narcan; distribution of Dispose Rx and other prevention resources; and distribution of literacy, nutrition, and wellness resources
- **Schuylkill Community Action** to approach poverty reduction by providing **Financial Literacy sessions** for our children and families
- **Nursing Homes and Senior Centers** to provide inter-generational programs that build relationships among children and seniors
- **Senior Volunteer Program (SVP) Hands of Love** to provide our children with more than **300** hand knitted, hats, gloves, and scarves and sock puppets
- **SHINE After School Programs** to ensure that our children transitioning to kindergarten continue on the road to academic and social success
- **Schuylkill VISION** to promote the health and well-being of our children and families
- **The Girl Scouts of Schuylkill County, Make A Difference Day Project**, to provide **200 At-Home School Kits** (crayons, markers, scissors and glue) to complete learning activities at home that reinforce classroom lessons to support achievement of our children's school readiness goals



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### 8 Early Childhood Education Centers

*Ready for school and a lifetime of learning*

Child Development, Inc. provides comprehensive, high-quality, early childhood education programs that funded with federal, state, and local grants. We have 30 classrooms in eight locations throughout Schuylkill County, serving more than 515 preschool children and their families.

Our **Fountain Springs Center** offers Head Start, PA Pre-K Counts, and child care for preschool children (ages 3 - 5) and their families.



**FOUNTAIN SPRINGS CENTER**  
200 Catherine Street  
Ashland, PA 17921  
570-875-1569

There are 6 classrooms in this center with qualified and experienced teachers, assistants teachers, teacher aides, family advocates, nutrition aide, and team leader. There are **20 team members** with **201 years of dedicated service**.

We provide Head Start and PA PreK Counts for 5 hours/day, 5 days/week and 180 days/year (August through May) with extended hours and days for wrap-around child care - 6:30am to 5:15pm - for families who are working or enrolled in school or training..

The center has achieved **Keystone STAR 4 Designation** - the highest level of quality in Pennsylvania

Our **Mahanoy City Center** offers Head Start, PA Pre-K Counts, and child care for preschool children (ages 3 - 5) and their families.



**MAHANOEY CITY CENTER**  
80 North Main Street, Suite 2  
Mahanoy City, PA 17948  
570-773-2202

There are 5 classrooms in this center with qualified and experienced teachers, assistants teachers, teacher aides, family advocates, nutrition aide, and team leader. There are **18 team members** with **252 years of dedicated service**.

We provide Head Start for 5.75 hours/day and PA PreK Counts for 5 hours/day. All children attend 5 days/week and 180 days/year (August through May) with extended hours and days for wrap-around child care - 7:00am to 4:00pm - for families who are working or enrolled in school or training.

The center has achieved **Keystone STAR 4 Designation** - the highest level of quality.

Our **Pottsville Center** offers Head Start, PA Pre-K Counts, and child care for preschool children (ages 3 - 5) and their families.



**POTTSVILLE CENTER**  
701 Mount Hope Avenue  
Pottsville, PA 17901  
570-622-6670

There are 6 classrooms in this center with qualified and experienced teachers, assistants teachers, teacher aides, family advocates, nutrition aide, and team leader. There are **22 team members** with **230 years of dedicated service**.

We provide Head Start for 5.75 hours/day and PA PreK Counts for 5 hours/day, 5 days/week and 180 days/year (August through May) with extended hours and days for wrap-around child care - 6:30am to 5:15pm - for families who are working or enrolled in school or training.

The center has achieved **Keystone STAR 4 Designation** - the highest level of quality in Pennsylvania.

Our **Pottsville 2 Center** offers Head Start and PA Pre-K Counts for preschool children (ages 3 - 5) and their families.



**POTTSVILLE 2 CENTER**  
1515 Mount Hope Avenue  
Pottsville, PA 17901  
570-990-1177

There are 3 classrooms in this center with qualified and experienced teachers, assistants teachers, teacher aides, family advocate, nutrition aide, and team leader. There are **11 team members** with **97 years of dedicated service**.

We provide Head Start for 5.75 hours/day and PA PreK Counts for 5 hours/day. All children attend 5 days/week and 180 days/year (August through May).

The center has achieved **Keystone STAR 4 Designation** - the highest level of quality in Pennsylvania.



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Our **Saint Clair Center** offers Head Start and PA PreK Counts for preschool children (ages 3 - 5) and their families. There are 3 classrooms with qualified and experienced teachers, assistant teachers, teacher aides, family advocate and team leader. There are **10 team members** with **131 years of dedicated service**.



**SAINT CLAIR CENTER**  
227 South Mill Street  
Saint Clair, PA 17970  
570- 801-5838

We provide Head Start and PA PreK Counts for 5 hours/day. All children attend 5 days/week and 180 days/year (August through May).

The center has achieved **Keystone STAR 4 Designation** - the highest level of quality in Pennsylvania.

Our **Shenandoah Center** offers Head Start for preschool children (ages of 3 - 5 years) and their families. There is one classroom with a qualified and experienced teacher, assistant teacher, nutrition/teacher aide, family advocate and team leader. There are **5 team members** with **101 years of dedicated service**.



**SHENANDOAH CENTER**  
125 East Centre Street, Suite 6  
Shenandoah, PA 17976  
570-462-4808

We provide Head Start for 5.75 hours/day, 5 days/week and 180 days/year (August through May).

The center has achieved **Keystone STAR 4 Designation** - the highest level of quality in Pennsylvania.

Our **Schuylkill Haven Center** offers Head Start for preschool children (ages 3 - 5) and their families. There is one classroom with a qualified and experienced teacher, assistant teacher, teacher aide, family advocate and team leader. There are **5 team members** with **61 years of dedicated service**.



**Schuylkill Haven Center**  
701 East Main Street  
Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972  
570-801-5926

We provide Head Start for 5.75 hours/day, 5 days/week and 180 days/year (August through May).

The center has achieved **Keystone STAR 4 Designation** - the highest level of quality in Pennsylvania.

Our **Tamaqua Center** offers Head Start and PA PreK Counts for preschool children (ages 3 - 5) and their families. There are 5 classrooms with qualified and experienced teachers, assistant teachers, teacher aides, nutrition aide, family advocates and team leader. There are **18 team members** with **96 years of dedicated service**.



**TAMAQUA CENTER**  
255 West Broad Street  
Tamaqua, PA 18252  
570-668-5404

We provide Head Start and PA PreK Counts for 5 hours/day. All children attend 5 days/week and 180 days/year (August through May).

The center has achieved **Keystone STAR 4 Designation** - the highest level of quality in Pennsylvania.



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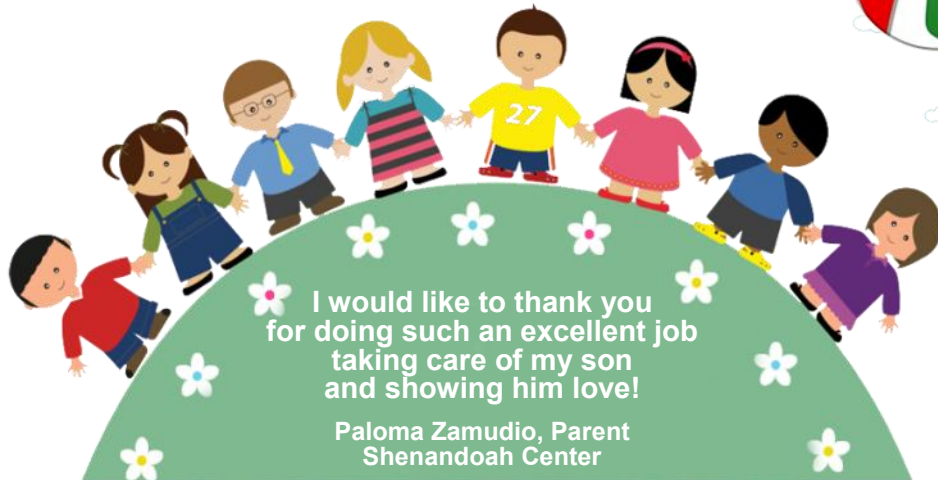
### READY COMMUNITIES

Community partnerships and collaborative efforts support children and families and maximize limited resources.

### COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

Grants from community partners provided funds to: purchase children's books for our *Ready to Read, Home + School Connection* to ensure children achieve positive outcomes in literacy/language development, to support our prevention approach to oral health, and to strengthen social and emotional well-being being our children and families.

Rite Aid KidCents Foundation .....	\$10,000
St. Luke's Oud/SUD Partnership .....	\$6000
Yuengling Foundation .....	\$2000
Schuylkill Area Community Foundation	
Fred Knecht & Unrestricted .....	\$2000
Reidler Family Helping Hands .....	\$1500
Snayberger Foundation .....	\$1500
Michael & Patty Neeb Family .....	\$1000
Boyer's Food Market Scan Tag Program .....	\$306
Trinity Episcopal Church & North Parish .....	\$200
Hershey Company .....	\$190



Thank you to the companies that designated their Pennsylvania state tax dollars to our **Program** so that **every child can attend our high-quality, preschool education program.**

**M&T Bank..... \$7250**  
**Mid Penn Bank.....\$2500**

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### COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND SUPPORT



Schuylkill

UNITED WAY

**2025 Allocation = \$92,700**

We are extremely grateful each year for the allocation we receive from Schuylkill United Way. Funds support our working families with the cost of child care for their children, including grandparents who are caring for grandchildren. Funds are used, as the funding of last resort, or as a “safety net” to: 1) ensure children enroll or remain enrolled in our program when families are working; 2) extend hours/days of service beyond what is available through Head Start and PA PreK Counts funding; or 3) assist families with the cost of care when state subsidized child care funding is not available.

## 2025 Captain Jason B. Jones Memorial Day of Caring

Thank you to the volunteers from the Rotary Club of Pottsville, Highwood USA, and the “Three Amigas” who came to our centers to clean-up our outdoor play areas, plant flowers, spend time in our classrooms and read to our children. Thank you for caring ♥



Pottsville Center



Fountain Springs Center

Mahanoy City Center



Residents and businesses support the annual Schuylkill United Way **STUFF THE BUS** project which provides 300 backpacks and school supplies for our children transitioning to kindergarten.

**Thank you...to EVERYONE involved!!!**





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### READY CHILDREN

HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT OUTCOMES	HEAD START	PA PRE-K COUNTS
Children with Health Insurance	97%	100%
Children with Accessible Health Care	99%	100%
Immunizations Up-to-Date	100%	100%
Sensory and Developmental Screenings Completed	100%	100%
Chronic Health Conditions Identified	28%	30%
Health Plans Developed	21%	23%
Children with Accessible Dental Care	91%	94%
Dental Exams Completed	90%	92%
Dental Treatment Received	35%	25%
Disabilities Identified	23%	21%
Mental Health Support Services (within program)	18%	15%
Behavior Health Services Received (Community-Based)	<1%	<1%
Early Intervention Services Received	100%	100%
Proficiency Assessed in Key Developmental Areas	61%	71%

The **Final Child Outcomes Progress Report** is based on **172 Head Start** and **140 PA Pre-K Counts** children who transitioned into kindergarten in the **Fall of 2025**. **23%** of **Head Start** and **23%** of **PA Pre-K Counts** children who transitioned into kindergarten received early intervention services.

The chart indicates our children's assessed **proficiency**, at the beginning and end of the school year, in the key developmental areas identified for school readiness using the Desired Results Developmental Profile (DRDP).

CHILD OUTCOMES PROGRESS REPORT PROGRAM YEAR 2024-2025	HEAD START		PA PRE-K COUNTS	
	October 2024	May 2025	October 2024	May 2025
Approaches to Learning	9%	48%	4%	60%
Social and Emotional Development	11%	51%	7%	66%
Language and Literacy Development	10%	56%	4%	55%
Cognition (Math and Science)	7%	48%	6%	54%
Physical Development	17%	63%	15%	81%

### FAMILY SURVEY RESULTS

**98%** responded that their child's experience in our program prepared their child to successfully transition to kindergarten

**97%** reported that their child made progress toward achieving his/her school readiness goals

I am so thankful for Child Development. My son Carter was referred to the Early Intervention program for a developmental delay. He started kindergarten this year and has been so successful tackling his new environment. I owe it to the program and staff at the Pottsville Center for his smooth transition. It's a truly wonderful program that puts family and children first. My husband and I are better parents because of the things we have learned through Positive Solutions, PBIS, and Family Chats. Child Development is truly setting our children up for a bright future.

We appreciate all of the staff and their hard work for our children and families.

Amber Woomer, Parent  
Pottsville Center



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*Providing Opportunities for Children, Families and Team Members since 1965*

***Alumni to Team Member...The Circle of Opportunity***  
***19% of Our Team Members are Alumni***

## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

Dakota Bereskie, Facilities Specialist  
Lori Spotts, ERSEA Manager  
Amy Wahalec-Clark, ERSEA Advocate  
Daniella Walker, Admin Support

## FOUNTAIN SPRINGS CENTER

Gracie Balsavage, Teacher Aide  
Kimberly Good, Team Leader  
Christine Long, Family Advocate  
Victoria Niedzwiecki, Assistant Teacher  
Carlee (Green) Umbenhen Teacher

## SHENANDOAH CENTER

Holly Mummey, Nutrition/Teacher Aide

## MAHANOEY CITY CENTER

Caitlin Briggs, Assistant Teacher  
Victoria Pugh, Nutrition Aide  
Danielle Streisel, Teacher  
Beth Thomas, Teacher

## POTTSVILLE 2 CENTER

Karen Lenard, Teacher

## POTTSVILLE CENTER

Zariah Boher, Assistant Teacher  
Madison Fessler, Teacher Aide  
Nicole Williams, Assistant Teacher

## SAINT CLAIR CENTER

Brittany Frantz, Teacher Aide  
Marie McShaw, Assistant Teacher

## TAMAQUA CENTER

Rachel Bausher, Assistant Teacher  
Jayda Hollan, Teacher  
Nicole Leary, Teacher  
Jessica Sacco, Assistant Teacher

***The Circle of Opportunity for Personal and Professional Growth***  
***50% of Our Team Members are Current/Former Parents of Enrolled Children***

## FOUNTAIN SPRINGS CENTER

Tiffany Dietz, Teacher  
Corey Fetterolf, Teacher  
Kimberly Good, Team Leader  
Christine Long, Family Advocate  
Sharon Meier, Assistant Teacher  
Stephanie Parry, Teacher  
Alisia Ulceski, Assistant Teacher

## MAHANOEY CITY CENTER

Alice Beaver, Assistant Teacher  
Kate Crist, Family Advocate  
Dawn DeWitt, Teacher  
Eileen Farber, Team Leader  
Sean Haldeman, Family Advocate  
Andrea Hannon, Teacher  
Jessie Lindenmuth, Teacher Aide  
Ileana Naranjo, Assistant Teacher  
Victoria Pugh, Nutrition Aide  
Danielle Streisel, Teacher  
Beth Thomas, Teacher  
Jocelyn Williams, Assistant Teacher

## POTTSVILLE CENTER

Donia Ali, Assistant Teacher  
Krissy Austerberry, Team Leader  
Sarah Beard, Teacher Aide  
Rihab Elkharraz, Family Advocate  
Angella Eye, Assistant Teacher  
Rebecca Goodman, Teacher  
Jill Klinger, Assistant Teacher  
Denise Maley, Teacher  
Michele Mamrosh, Teacher  
Manny Martinez, Family Advocate  
Melissa Maurer, Assistant Teacher  
Lynn Pontius, Nutrition Aide  
Nicole Williams, Assistant Teacher

## POTTSVILLE 2 CENTER

Robert Cody, Nutrition Aide  
Christine Corsino, Assistant Teacher  
Atika Lamouafak, Assistant Teacher  
Karen Lenard, Teacher  
Jen Kneppshield, Team Leader  
Katie Witman, Teacher

## SAINT CLAIR CENTER

Ana Almonte-Garcia, Assistant Teacher  
April Kimmel, Teacher  
BriAnn Mistishin, Teacher  
Marie McShaw, Assistant Teacher  
Andrea Zalonka, Teacher

## SCHUYLKILL HAVEN

Jaime Jo Engle, Teacher  
Jolene Guth, Assistant Teacher

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Martina Engelberger, Teacher  
Holly Mummey, Nutrition/Teacher Aide  
Christina Pugh, Assistant Teacher

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Alyssa Beil, Assistant Teacher  
Jen Berkenstock, Team Leader  
Heidi Cannon, Teacher  
Jayda Hollan, Teacher  
Jill Karman, Teacher  
Nicole Leary, Teacher

## TAMAQUA CENTER

William Parry, Family Advocate  
Alexis Petrie, Teacher  
Jessica Sacco, Assistant Teacher

## EARLY LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER

Kristen Keninitz, Family Services Specialist  
Judy Yearian, ELRC Manager/FS Specialist

## OFFICE

Dakota Bereskie, Facilities Specialist  
Tatiana Bordetskaia, Adm/Fiscal Specialist  
Mary Ann Devlin, Executive Director  
Marie Groody, School Readiness Director  
Elizabeth Lavin, HR Manager



**JAMIE JO ENGLE**

**LCCC GRADUATES**  
**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION**



**RACHEL BAUSHER**

***44% of our Team Members Achieved Professional Goals while working for the Program***  
***~ Child Development Credential, AA/BS in ECE, Level 2 Teacher Certification ~***  
***68% of our Team Members have advanced within the Program***

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*Providing Opportunities for Children, Families and Team Members since 1965*

## *Child Development Inc. Awards...Supporting Educational Opportunities*

Since 2002, former students of Child Development, Inc. education or entering military service are eligible

graduating from high school and continuing their formal to apply for one of our **Child Development Awards**.



### **IN MEMORY OF SCOTTIE GLUNZ**

#### **4TH YEAR**

Awarded to a Pottsville Area High School graduate who attended Child Development and, as Scottie did, overcame barriers, obstacles, and persevered to graduate high school.

**Trinity Mendofik**

Karen, Scottie's Mom, with Allegra and Trinity. Both recipients were also in Miss Karen's preschool classroom.



**IN MEMORY OF EILEEN KLOTZ**  
Allegra Hedemann (Pottsville Area High School)

**IN MEMORY OF PAUL J. FRANKS**  
Jeremy Thomas (Shenandoah Valley High School)

**IN MEMORY OF ALICIA RATKIEWICZ**  
Veronica Plichta (North Schuylkill High School)

**IN MEMORY OF INA CALVIN**  
Elijah Weicikosky (Pottsville Area High School)

**IN MEMORY OF PAT FEDORICK**  
Carter Strause (Pottsville Area High School)

**IN MEMORY OF MARGARET TRUSKEY**  
Emily Searfoss (Tamaqua Area High School)

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Kolton Joyce (North Schuylkill High School)  
Candace Long (Pottsville Area High School)



### **IN MEMORY OF MR. FRANCIS KANE**

#### **1ST YEAR**

Awarded to a Mahanoy Area High School graduate who attended Child Development.

Mr. Kane was a beloved teacher and member of Child Development's Family for 39 dedicated years.

**Abigail Herrejon**



A child is a person  
who is going to carry on what you have started.  
He is going to sit where you are sitting  
and when you are gone,  
attend to those things  
which you think are important.

You may adopt all the policies you please,  
but how they are carried out depends on him.  
He will assume control of  
your cities, states and nations.

He is going to move in and  
take over your churches, schools,  
universities, and corporations.  
All your books are going to be judged,  
praised, or condemned by him.

The fate of humanity is in his hands.

*A. Lincoln*



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