Preschool Program Monthly Summary October 2026

Enrollment

	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	
Classrooms	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	
Total Children Enrolled	126	127	126								
***Head Start**	80	80	80								
***NC PreK**	81	86	85								
***Other (Title I, Tuition, Exceptional Children)**	15	11	11								

***Children may be counted in more than one category**

Head Start Percentage in Attendance

	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	
All Classrooms	92%	90%	90%								
Polk Central Conner	93%	91%	90%								
Polk Central Crowder	88%	91%	92%								
Polk Central Potter	94%	92%	88%								
Saluda Freck	98%	91%	91%								
Sunny View Howald	85%	85%	88%								
Tryon Eadus	95%	95%	98%								
Tryon Gosnell	85%	86%	89%								
Tryon Moore	95%	87%	83%								
Tryon Roush	94%	90%	90%								

All PreK Students Percentage in Attendance

	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	
All Classrooms	93%	90%	90%								
Polk Central Conner	93%	91%	90%								
Polk Central Crowder	90%	92%	93%								
Polk Central Potter	94%	92%	88%								
Saluda Freck	97%	90%	90%								
Sunny View Howald	88%	86%	86%								
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Tryon Gosnell	88%	88%	90%								
Tryon Moore	95%	88%	85%								
Tryon Roush	96%	90%	91%								

Family Services

- Facilitated the October monthly Head Start Policy Council Meeting.
- Held Family Cafes at Saluda, Sunny View and Forbes to visit with families and hand out Financial Stability information regarding savings, using credit, and relieving debt.
- Spent a day in a classroom at Forbes covering for a teacher.
- Attended the teacher workday professional development on Executive Function with Theresa Sabo and continuation of the OEL workshop and the staff training on the same topic.
- Participated in Head Start Heart Connections virtual online monthly collaborative for service area IV.
- Attended field trips to Strawberry Hill with Ms. Potter's class and all the classes at Forbes.
- Attended the Polk County Resource Collaborative monthly meeting virtually.
- Continued to assist teachers with Ready Rosie classes and send out parent invitations.
- Volunteered at The Cost of Poverty Experience held at the Stearns gym sponsored by Aspire: Polk County.
- Helped with end of study family celebrations in classrooms at Forbes and Polk Central.
- Attended pumpkin painting family engagement in Saluda and Halloween family fun at Forbes.
- Updated NCPreK forms, for the NCPreK students, with health assessment and developmental assessment dates.
- Attended the Polk County Resource Collaborative half day workshop on Strengthening Communities.
- October attendance numbers and documentation were collected and entered in the databases.

Support Coach

- Ordered and delivered supplies for classrooms.
- Maintained facilities notebook: fire drills, sanitation, licensing.
- Attended the teacher workday professional development with Theresa Sabo and the second session of Executive Function.
- Purchased large classroom pumpkins for the children to have hands-on experiences.

- Attended field trips to Strawberry Hill with Mrs. Potter and all the classes at Forbes. I also attended Sky Top with Saluda's preschool class.
- Helped facilitate the third session on Executive Function with Sarah Morrision.
- Supported students with behaviors in their classroom.

Health and Safety

- Continued collecting Health Assessments and Immunizations for newly enrolled students.
- Follow up on vision referrals attempted if parents had not already notified of referral appointment. There are still 5 referrals I am waiting to hear back from, and 1 pending appointment.
- Reached out to any family without a dental home as of the start of the year, if they didn't take advantage of the dental bus, to see if care had been established or if they needed any help securing a dental home.
- Attended an Audiology training with School Nurses on 10/7/26.
- Ongoing follow up with any parent/doctors (if no response from parent) of a child that still had something missing. Currently lead levels are the most common missing item, currently down to only 8 missing now.
- Wrapped up Fall Medication Audits.
- Attended Field Trip to Strawberry Hill.
- Continue to complete evaluations for Hearing & Vision screenings related to IEP meetings and attended IEP meetings that were scheduled for the month.

Education:

- Continued ECERS observations in classrooms. Results were communicated with all Teachers and Assistants to celebrate successes and look at possible areas for growth
- Attended Referral and IEP meetings
- Attended Field Trips to Strawberry Hill
- Facilitated and attended training on Autism & Behavior Support with Theresa Sabo and helped conduct a session of training on Executive Function
- Followed up on concerns with each classroom for students we continue to monitor for growth and discussed possible referrals

Program Management

- Personnel changes
- Present 25-26 Head Start Annual Report to BOE
- Attend monthly professional development for PreK staff
- Participated in annual compliance visit at Forbes
- Submitted September FSR for NC PreK
- Completed attendance for Head Start
- Classroom visits and principal meetings
- Attended Regional DPI PreK meeting in Winston-Salem
- Virtually attended professional development for Head Start monitoring review and virtual meeting with NCDCDEE consultants
- Attended NC PreK Fall Conference in Morganton

Meals Served by Polk County Schools Department of Child Nutrition in October:

Breakfast 4689 Lunch 4453