

Preschool Program Monthly Summary August 2024

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	119									
*Head Start	77									
*NC PreK	82									
*Other (Title I, Tuition, Exceptional Children)	8									

*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	94%									
Polk Central Burnett	91%									
Polk Central Conner	96%									
Polk Central Crowder	86%									
Saluda Freck	92%									
Sunny View Upton	96%									
Tryon Eadus	98%									
Tryon Faltraco	97%									
Tryon Moore	94%									
Tryon Roush	98%									

All PreK Students Percentage in Attendance

	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May
All Classrooms	93%									
Polk Central Burnett	93%									
Polk Central Conner	94%									
Polk Central Crowder	86%									
Saluda Freck	90%									
Sunny View Upton	93%									
Tryon Eadus	98%									
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Family Services

- Amy helped facilitate the August Bi-Annual NC PreK Committee Meeting.
- Ready Rosie Parent Engagement App was set up for all classrooms and all families invited to participate.
- The Go Engage Application Pool is set up and ready for the new school year.
- Enrollment appointments continue and children's files are updated for the 2024-25 school year.
- August attendance numbers and documentation was collected and entered in the databases.
- Amy attended the Polk Community Resource Collaborative and Early Intervention Task Force monthly meetings.
- Assisted with unpacking and cleaning at Forbes in preparation for the first days of school in the new building.
- Amy worked with families regarding health assessments, file completion, and social service resources needed in the form of back-to-school supplies and clothing events; WIC, SNAP, and Medicaid information; Polk Library programs; Open House Events at schools; after school programs; and Imagination Library sign ups.
- Worked with the school social worker to identify potential homeless families with children enrolled in preschool.
- Attended Open House Events at Polk Central and Sunny View Elementary Schools.
- Completed 8 DIAL assessment screenings with Spanish-speaking English Language Learners in 4 classrooms.

Support Coach

- It was a busy summer with the closing of the old Forbes building. I assisted by helping move materials and cleaning outside playground toys/supplies. In addition, I helped with new material that had to be opened and put together at the new location..
- The Support Coach also helped teachers with the beginning of the year task at all preschool locations: labeling rooms in English and Spanish, room arrangement, putting furniture together, etc.
- Attended Open House at Saluda and Forbes to meet new parents and students for the upcoming school year.
- Helped Mrs. Harding with ordering consumables for the classrooms.
- Attended all Professional Development offered by preschool department
- Attended the WNC Source NC Pre K meeting via zoom.
- Provided coverage for teachers to assess children using DIAL.
- Ordered and delivered supplies to all schools for teachers and students.

Health and Safety

- Pre-K Nurse worked on collecting Health Assessments & Immunizations for each enrolled child and making sure they are up to date. Continuing to work on obtaining the last few that are left and working with parents providing information on community resources if needed to get their child's Health Assessments/Immunizations up to date before the 30 day deadline.
- Dental surveys were sent out to collect information about the presence of a dental home and the last time they went to the dentist. Consent forms for the dental bus were also sent for children who do not have access to dental care. The dental bus will be coming to Pre-K providing dental services for children who do not have a dental home and who have signed a consent form allowing them to be evaluated. The Dental Bus is scheduled to start coming around 9/11/24.
- Completed Staff Training for pre-k staff and new hires including: CPR & First Aid, Medication Administration and health and safety information.
- Individualized training was provided to each teacher, teacher assistant and floater (if applicable) for any child in their classroom that had a specific medical condition and/or medication in the classroom. Each on-site school nurse was also made aware of any medical conditions of pre-k children in their school, as well as, after school director if a child was attending after school and had a medical concern.
- Renee visited Pre-K Classrooms, provided any needed first aid supplies and made sure all medical documents were on site.
- Hearing and Vision Screenings are underway.

Education

- 100% of Classroom Staff have already achieved their required 15 hours (each) of professional development for the 2024-2025 school year!
- Entire Pre-K Staff achieved over 607.5 training/professional development hours since August 6. Topics included:
 - *Playground Safety (through Southwestern Child Development)*
 - *Pyramid Model Training: Power of Positive Relationships (through Southwestern Child Development)*
 - *Full-Day Teaching Strategies Gold Mathematics Training (through Creative Curriculum)*
 - *Infinite Campus/Staff Manual/Supervision Training (Dr. Brandon Schweitzer & Preschool Office Staff)*
 - *Best Practices for Students with Autism (Dr. Louise Souther, Autism Society of North Carolina)*
 - *Setting Up Children for Success: Targeted Social-Emotional Behavioral Support (Andrea Cureton, TTA/Head Start)*
- Entered 100% of children into our online Teaching Strategies Gold Assessment platform for 2024-2025 school year.
- Continued prep/clean up/new room set-up at Forbes.
- 100% of new staff have received their required orientation within the first two weeks of employment—including Child Abuse and Neglect; Shaken Baby/Abusive Head Trauma...etc.
- 100% of new staff are working on achieving an *additional* 24 hours of required North Carolina Health and Safety training through the ProSolutions platform. Deadline for completion is within six weeks of hire—with completion expected mid-August.
- Conducted classroom visits at all sites.
- Provided Dial coverage at Saluda, Sunnyview, Polk Central...etc. in 2-hour increments during August and early September.
- Participated on the NCPre-K Committee.
- Participated in August PLC for Forbes/Saluda.
- Attended meeting for the IEP 30-day follow-up.
- Monitored Lesson Plans, TSG Data Collection.

Program Management

- Tryon Prek is up and running in the new building. What a journey it has been but what a pleasure to see the children in this space.
- We held our bi-annual NC PreK Meeting on August 28, 2024. Our state consultant was in attendance as well as stakeholders from our community with an interest in early childhood.
- We are preparing the paperwork for our Fall unannounced compliance visits from NC DCDEE.

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

Breakfast 1363 Lunch 1340