

S & A Year-End Report
2010-2011
53490000 Early Childhood Learning Center
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- Support from S & A in the amount of \$370,000.00 for the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 supported early learning services and programs for children aged one-month to eight-years old of CWU students, faculty, and staff.

The ECLC has two locations on campus; the main program is located in Brook Lane Village, Suite 100 and is licensed for 47 children aged two to eight years of age. Rainbow Center in Michaelsen Hall, Rm. 109 is licensed for 9 infants ranging in age from one-month to 12 months, and 14 toddlers ranging in age from 12 months to 28 months. Both sites offer operating hours from 7:15 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday for the academic year and summer sessions. Additional services are offered over breaks, before classes start and throughout finals week. Children attend two to five days per week and attend either half-day or full-day, with an after-school hourly program offered as well.

The curriculum is rich with small and large group activities, hands-on exploration and active physical participation. Programs include art, music, stories, physical activities, language, science and math experiences, games and puzzles, blocks and dramatic play.

For the 225 days of operation in 2010-2011, the ECLC-Brook Lane served 6,681 breakfasts, 7,853 lunches and 6,461 afternoon snacks, for a total of 20,995 meals. Enrollment for the year was 9,060 with the average daily attendance at 40. (These numbers do not reflect the meals served or the attendance numbers at the Rainbow Center)

ECLC offers opportunities for parents and extended families to engage themselves in their child's classroom through the following celebrations:

Harvest Fest—Children in the three classrooms collectively make Stone Soup, fruit salad, cornbread and pumpkin cookies. All parents are invited to join their child for lunch. We are always impressed with how many parents and extended family are able to join us for this celebration. This provides parents a great opportunity for sharing a meal prepared by the children. This event happens the day before Thanksgiving.

Winter Fest—During Fall Quarter on the Monday of finals week from 10:00-11:30 there are holiday centers and games throughout the building. Families are invited to attend and make holiday ornaments, decorations, swags, and gifts for family members. We are lucky to have Santa visit as well.

Spring Fling—The end of Spring Quarter is celebrated by a BBQ lunch and activities for children to enjoy with their parents and extended families. Face painting, music provided by Dr. David Lundy, support from BBQ Master Jamin Thomas of Dining Services and an out-of-this-world lunch make

for a wonderful way to end the year. Those children going to Kindergarten in the fall, the student parents and student staff that are graduating are also acknowledged.

Student enrichment--The ECLC offers employment and career path training and additional opportunities to over 50 student staff per quarter who work an average of 13 hours per week. Many of whom are enrolled in Early Childhood Education or are Family Studies majors. Having the opportunity to employ students in a meaningful occupation is important, but equally important is the ability to employ them so they are able to earn a wage while going to school. Many of the ECLC students are supporting themselves and without this job would be stretched financially to remain on campus.

The ECLC is also utilized for academic observations, providing opportunities for 4-5 practicum students per year, and for providing a 'lab' setting for Asian students enrolled in the Asia University America Program to visit and share their culture. The music department, recreation department, theatre and dance programs also bring students to the ECLC to interact hands-on with young children.

The ECLC partnered with the Family Resource Center to hold Family Literacy Nights for parents and children in cooperation with students from the Education Department. With a grant that the CWU Brooks Library secured, the ECLC, FRC and the Education Department partnered to offer Stories for Learning, Laptops for Growing at the Brooks Library. The two hour partnership allowed parents to use laptops in the library while their children enjoyed literacy events with CWU students. The program was offered 7 times from January to June.

The ECLC, Family Studies Department and FRC partnered to offer Parent Night Out functions during the course of winter and spring quarters. ECLC provided the location, materials, teacher and staffing. The FRC did the advertising and the Family Studies Dept. with Dr.'s Dowd and Paulk sending their students for observations and hands-on-experiences with young children. Parenting tips were also shared with parents.

Revenues

\$370,000.00 S&A Allocation-base

\$ 82,818.05 State Support

\$322,573.59 Activity/Operating Revenues Revenues from parent fees for services
The ECLC also receives in-kind services provided by the University: paper products and cleaning services at Rainbow, utilities, garbage service, computer services and free rent at both sites.

***Fall 2010, rates went up for all faculty/staff parents using 12 month contract

\$775,391.64 Total Revenues

Expenses

\$313,781.00 Wages-Classified Staff

- 1 Early Childhood Program Specialist 4 at 1.0 FTE
- 5 Early Childhood Program Specialist 3's at 1.0 FTE
- 1 Early Childhood Program Specialist 3 at .0625 FTE
- 1 Early Childhood Program Specialist 3 at .75 FTE

- 1 Early Childhood Program Specialist 2 at .75 FTE

- 1 Fiscal Specialist at .50 FTE (position is shared with the Empowerment Center at 50% of wages)

1 Cook Position at .81 FTE

***Two ECP 3 positions were reduced to a 11 month cyclic schedule.

***One ECP 3 position was vacated in Dec. 2010 and filled with Part-time Temp from January to June 2011

***Fiscal Specialist position was vacated in January 2010; duties were re-assigned to Michelle Cyrus, of the Center for Student Empowerment at no additional cost.

***Civil Service staff taking true Cyclic Leave, taking vacation during work hours

\$ 56,589.08 Wages-Exempt Staff 1.0 FTE Early Childhood Program Director

\$181,139.03 Wages-Student/Temp/Other 50+ student employees per quarter working an average of 13 hours per week, with pay ranging from \$8.75 to \$9.25.

\$174,369.57 Employee Benefits Benefits for all employees; exempt, civil service and students

\$ 16,055.54 Goods and Services/ Equipment ECLC furnishings and equipment, phone charges, cleaning supplies, postage, copier charges and maintenance, duplicating, equipment repairs, film development, laundry money, paper supplies, floors/carpets shampooed and cleaned quarterly, registrations for organizations, publications, subscriptions for educational magazines, and children's books. Purchases from Costco, Food Services of America, Cash and Carry and Safeway. Travel and meals. Staff trainings.

\$741,934.22 Total Expenses

\$ 14,369.39 Balance-End of Year Started the year with a (\$ 19,088.03) balance (see annual report for 2009-2010)

The balance is a result of:

- Not receiving the \$80,000 for FY 09-10 from the President and Vice-President to support staff/faculty enrollment use in the program as promised when the budget was drafted for S&A
- At the request of the S&A Committee, more student families were enrolled. The decrease in revenue is reflected by taking more student parents over higher-paying staff/faculty parents.
- Summer enrollment was about 60% of the previous summer enrollment. Most likely due to the economy and parents having to tighten the purse strings, as well as, not as many jobs available to parents during the summer months.

**The Early Childhood Learning Center appreciates the continued support from the S & A Committee,
“Children are the Future of Central.”**