

## Head Start Bulletin

May 10, 2010



In partnership with the community, Community Action assists low-income people to achieve self-determination.



- 1. Mika Nukaga raised \$107 in the dollar-per-child campaign in the Toddler #1 classroom, a classroom of 8 children! Thanks, Mika! Helen Fern
- If you know of any parents who might be interested in volunteering on the bus as a monitor for a morning or afternoon (never both), please let me know so I can ask them if they would like to be added to a volunteer list. Ideally, for this next school year I would let like to have a list of five volunteers per school who could fill in for an absent bus monitor. (Ideally...) If you or someone you know is interested, email or call me. Thanks! Tony Sinclair 503-896-4911 or tsinclair@caowash.org
- 3. Thank you to CCR&R for your request to clarify the procedure for registering parents for classes through your program. Teachers and FSTs: This is a friendly reminder that the Parent Training Funds Policy and Procedure provides guidance on the criteria, process and disbursement of funds for parents.
  - The Parent Training Funds are available to parents throughout the year. Head Start Staff encourage parents to submit requests as an incentive to complete their family goals. Staff review the criteria with parents to ensure they are met before parents submit the application. Every parent is encouraged to apply: however, funds are limited and are granted on a first come, first served basis. Submitting a request form does not guarantee that funds will be granted.
  - The Referral Team Program Assistance reviews all Parent Training Fund applications before processing the requests and submitting them to the Family Services Coordinator for approval of payment. This process can take up to 45 days to complete. Here is the link for the Parent Training Funds Policy and Procedure:

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I hope this is helpful! Jill Stefely

4. As you know, we are in the process of selecting a new State Representative to OHSA. The first candidate has sent in her bio.

## **Tiffany Powers**

Upon completion at Bob Jones University in December of 2008, I received my BS in Early Childhood Education. The following January I began working at Community Action as a Lead Teacher at the Metzger Center in the Part Day Program. During the summer I worked for Oregon Child Development Coalition at their Cornelius site as a Teacher in their Migrant Head Start program. Both experiences have allowed me to observe how differently each organization interprets the standards and guidelines received from the federal and state governments. In talking with my supervisor regarding the State Representative position and reading through OHSA (Oregon Head Start Association) bylaws and strategic directions, I am very interested in representing our program. By working in both the Migrant program and our program I feel I am already working toward one of the strategic directions; bridging the work with migrant, tribal and other Head Start programs. I appreciate the opportunity to run for this position and hope that I am elected to share the great work we are doing with other programs at the state level. I also relish the idea of bringing the information back to staff and continuing my work to improve not only my own classroom but the program as a whole.



## Head Start Scheduled Trainings

DATE	DESCRIPTION	ADDRESS	TIME	EHS or HS	COMMENTS
5/14	Observing Children and Writing Observations	Carnation Bldg Conference Room— Hillsboro	8:30 -12:00	EHS Teacher Assistants	Dawn Terrill of Teaching Strategies will be trainer
5/14	Connecting the GOLD Assessment Checkpoints to Individualizing Your Lesson Plans	Carnation Bldg Conference Room— Hillsboro	1:00—4:30	EHS Teacher's & FST's	Dawn Terrill of Teaching Strategies will be trainer
5/12	Weekly Family Updates	Community	9:30—11:30	EHS Teacher's & FST's	Gail Boyle
5/12	Developing Family Goals	Action - Conf	12:00-2:00	EHS Teacher's & FST's	Gail Boyle
5/12	Definition of and Procedure for Referrals	Room #1	2:30-4:30	EHS Teacher's & FST's	Gail Boyle

Parking at the Carnation Bldg is an issue. If you are attending any trainings there, we ask that you carpool if at all possible.