



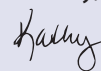
Children and Family Outcomes

-  **510** Total families served, including prenatal, throughout the year.
-  **5** Pregnant women received prenatal education, support and resource referrals.
-  **561** Total children served.
-  **526** Families participated in family support services provided by Family Service Team.
-  **99** % of Children had a continuous, accessible source of dental care provided by a dentist.
-  **98** % of children were fully up-to-date on immunizations.
-  **98** % of our enrollment goals were met, and all children were eligible.
-  **5** New moms served had medically high-risk pregnancies.
-  **99** % of children had a continuous, accessible, ongoing source of medical care.
-  **393** Families developed Family Partnership Agreements and received resources, referrals and/or direct assistance to help meet goals they had set for themselves.
-  **286** Families participated in male involvement activities.
-  **493** Families participated in family literacy events, demonstrating the importance of reading at school and at home.
-  **2,146** Hours spent by parents and children reading together.

From the Board of Directors and the President/CEO

As the Aurora Head Start and Early Head Start provider, Ability Connection Colorado is excited about sharing the outcomes of our 2016 school year. First and foremost, we are honored to be involved in enriching the lives of the families and children of Aurora. This includes fostering the opportunity for parents, children and staff to partner in creating an inclusive environment, where children can thrive and experience school readiness. Through two critical strategies, prevention and intervention, and our core values, we strive to provide children with the skills to develop into lifelong learners and for families to further their future success. The ongoing community support we receive, over one million dollars, to help create and sustain these outcomes is invaluable. It is with sincere gratitude that we say thank you on behalf of the children and families we are privileged to serve and to acknowledge our families and the important role they play in their children's lives.

Sincerely,



Kathy Higgins
Board Chairman



Judith I. Ham
President/CEO

Meeting or Exceeding Proficiencies

SUBJECT AREA	HS K-BOUND		HS/EHS	
	FALL '15	SPRING '16	FALL '15	SPRING '16
Social Emotional	30%	86%	39%	88%
Physical-Gross Motor	64%	88%	60%	90%
Physical- Fine Motor	63%	90%	64%	94%
Language	28%	77%	33%	78%
Spanish Language	38%	78%	36%	74%
Cognitive	38%	88%	46%	89%
Literacy	45%	87%	42%	86%
Mathematics	13%	63%	18%	65%



Spotlight on Mile High United Way



Mile High United Way of Denver seeks to create a strong community network, economic development opportunities, and investments in the academic success of Colorado's youth. For many years, this organization has supported our Creative Options for Early Education Program with

numerous generous grants, and we continue to be grateful that they are such a consistent and supportive community partner. They have helped us sustain and improve our early education program, where more than 95% of our children become ready for kindergarten. Please join us in recognizing and thanking United Way for helping Creative Options prepare our children for lifelong learning and continual success.

Did You Know...

Mile High United Way was founded in 1887 and was the 1st United Way in the country.

Last year, MHUW positively impacted 53,500 children through literacy and kindergarten readiness programs.

Mile High United Way is a catalyst for social change. Their focus areas of School Readiness, Youth Success and Adult Self-Sufficiency help create stronger and more vital communities.

Several federal reviews have taken place in the last few years, and the Aurora Head Start and Early Head Start programs have been generally compliant with all the federal requirements.

Ability Connection Colorado would like to thank the members of the

FY 2016 Parent and Family Community Council

whose contributions to our program are critical to the success of our students.

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FISCAL YEAR END 2016 AURORA HS/EHS FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	Actual	Budget
Expenses		
Personnel	3,320,496	3,134,100
Operation	1,574,809	1,359,203
Cost of Program	4,895,305	4,493,303
Federal Award	3,594,642	3,594,642
Balance	1,300,663	898,661
Funding Sources		
USDA	256,738	190,000
Contributions	769,200	183,661
Private Pay HS	17,195	35,000
In Kind	257,530	490,000
TOTAL	1,300,663	898,661

THANK YOU TO OUR KEY COMMUNITY PARTNERS



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