












Children and Family Outcomes

-  **5** # of expectant mothers who received prenatal education, support and resource referrals.
-  **280** Total children served.
-  **95** % of children received a dental examination.
-  **100** % of children who were fully up-to-date on immunizations.
-  **97** % of children who received a medical examination.
-  **235** # of families who received program services to promote family outcomes
-  **146** # of fathers who participated in their child's developmental experiences
-  **100** % of families who received YouTube links* to view parenting classes, Back to School event and were offered ZOOM sessions for follow up (*method used as a result of Covid 19)
-  **16** % of HeadStart children served that had an IEP


We continue to be excited about the growth our children demonstrate and their readiness for school as indicated in the table below.

From the Board of Directors & President/CEO

Dear Creative Options Families and Community Partners,

We are excited to share our outcomes for our 20-21 school year providing our Aurora Community Families, Early Head Start and Head Start Early Education Services. While we still were in the midst of a pandemic, everyone came together to make sure our children and their families could participate! There were so many moments and joy for our children, when they learned new skills, made new friends and started their journey of becoming lifelong learners. For our parents as they navigated difficult times and many changes awhile supporting their children's successes and for our Creative Options Team who demonstrated an incredible commitment to making it all work! We could not have made this work without the partnership with our families and our community. Thank you for allowing us to educate your children, we are so honored.


Kathy Higgins
Board Chair


Judith I. Ham
President/CEO



“Head Start is designed to ensure that all children—regardless of their family's income, race, or ethnic background - are able to enter kindergarten ready to learn.” — Lucille Roybal-Allard

Preparing Children for Kindergarten

SUBJECT AREA	HS K-BOUND		HS/EHS		BIRTH TO 3
	OCT'20	May'21	OCT'20	May'21	% ON TRACK
Approaches to Learning	15%	80%	79%	87%	100%
Social Emotional Dev.	15%	73%	90%	84%	100%
Language & Literacy	12%	70%	90%	84%	100%
Cognition	2%	66%	89%	86%	100%
Math Subdomain	3%	68%	86%	90%	100%
Perceptual, Motor & Physical Development	22%	87%	92%	94%	100%

Family Support Spotlight Brian & Kelli Fisher and Family

We wish to express our gratitude and the gratitude of the families we serve for the outstanding support and commitment the Brian & Kelli Fisher Family have shown to ACCO's community of families.



KYLE E FISHER

With the death of their son Kyle in 1994, they have given 100% heart and soul to ensure that ALL infants and children have the means to become School Ready, especially those with special needs and other life challenges. Creating the Kyle E. Fisher Fund and an annual 9-Ball Billiards Challenge, they have helped raise funds needed for critical special needs, health, academic and social emotional

support services offered through our Creative Options for Early Childhood Education program. And if that wasn't enough, they have created a new event, Pickle Paddle Par, to help raise even more funds for this vulnerable population.

They truly are an inspirational family who are deeply admired by us and their community.



THE FISHER FAMILY

*Ability Connection Colorado would like to thank the members of the FY 2021 **Parent and Family Community Council**, whose contributions to our program are critical to the success of our children and families:*

Jocelyn Nevarez – Chairperson

Victoria Hernandez – Secretary

Brenda Avendano – Member

Vanessa Pluma – Member

Pedro Mendez – Community Representative

AVERAGE MONTHLY ENROLLMENT FOR FY 2021*

Month	Reported Enrollment	Funded Enrollment	Percentage of Funded Enrollment Achieved
Aug	216	366*	59%
Sept	244	366	66.6%
Oct	252	366	68.8%
Nov	231	366	63.1%
Dec	246	366	67.2%
Jan	235	366	64.2%
Feb	241	366	65.8%
March	251	366	68.5%
April	258	366	70.4%
May	252	366	68.8%

A total of 41 children were enrolled for the June 1 to June 30, 2020 summer program. Months when no service was provided are not shown.

ACCO completed the full cycle of monitoring events for Head Start and Early Head Start in FYE 2021 and was found to be compliant in all areas.

FISCAL YEAR END 2021 AURORA HS/EHS FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	Actual	Budget
Expenses		
Personnel	3,663,802	3,725,015
Operation	1,797,825	1,275,424
Cost of Program	5,461,627	5,000,439
Federal Award	4,036,618	4,036,618
Balance	1,425,009	963,821
Funding Sources		
USDA	205,654	22,500
Contributions	1,041,693	641,321
Private Pay HS	19,250	50,000
In Kind	158,412	250,000
TOTAL	1,425,009	963,821

Ability Connection Colorado's financial audit received an unmodified, unqualified opinion, noting no material weaknesses, non-compliance, or findings.

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