

VELC Continuous Improvement Plan

Purpose Statement

To improve the lives of children and their families.

What are we about?

VELC offers preschool programming for children 2.5-4 years old and a year-round, learning rich environment program for children 2.5-12. We offer Special Services, ECEAP, TK, food service, and transportation.

We use the Creative Curriculum while encouraging your child's natural curiosity and building on what he or she already knows. We align with Washington State Early Learning Guidelines and believe in authentic, ongoing, observation-based assessment strategies that focus on strengths. We respond to the individual needs of each child and encourage a love of learning every step of the way.

We are about paint, glue, color, and imagination. We celebrate creativity and good manners, respect for yourself and others and hand washing. We share stories, music, ideas, and togetherness. We notice our surroundings, explore, and ask questions. We know when it is your birthday and when life is tough, and we care. We want good things for each child, now and forever. We are here to make that happen in the best way we can and know how.

School Profile

VELC has met all requirements to attain a Level 4 rating through Early Achievers with the following areas of specialization:

1. Interactions and Environment
2. Professionalism
3. Child Outcomes
4. Curriculum and Staff Supports
5. Family Engagement and Partnership

Staff

TK Teacher – Gisella Hazen

Lead Teachers- Allison Cobb, Ashleigh Larson, Calli Chapin, Yvette Schatz

Assistant teachers – Lupita Lopez, Katie Park, Beth Gilmer

Floater- Tammy Church

Lead Cook – Gloria Johnson

Assistant Director- Christie Carter

Director- Candace Harris

Students

Year	Toddlers	Preschool	Afterschool (School Age children)
2016/2017	7	35	5
2017/2018	4	39	2
2018/2019	4	40	6
2019/2020	5	40	12
2020/2021 (COVID)	CLOSED	36 (COVID)	19
2021/2022	CLOSED	51	16

2020/2021 Outcomes

Family Engagement

Completed at least 90 minutes of family service time for all children enrolled in ECEAP. 100% compliance for heights, weights, hearing, vision, well-child, and dental screenings for students.

Family goal setting successful, most families meeting goals.

FEC- Bite2Go, Virtual FEC meetings

We stayed open for our community for childcare all year

Student Learning Goal completed in 2020/2021

Goal 1- Complete Conscious Discipline training with Lead Teachers

2021/2022 Goals

Student Learning

Goal 1- Continue to train in Conscious Discipline weekly

Goal 2- Enrich our learning centers to accompany our study

Goal 3—Progress toward fidelity in our curricula

Rationale

Highly trained staff will result in stronger outcomes for students. Creating more learning opportunities throughout the day through play will expose the children to additional content, thereby increasing their outcomes.

Family Engagement

Goal 1 – Offer Conscious Discipline training

Goal 2 – Offer Ready Rosie opportunities weekly

Goal 3 – Set family goals with 90% of ECEAP families and work collaboratively with family to have steps in place to reach those goals.

Rationale

Children succeed better at school and life when families are engaged with their children's school.