STUDENT AFFAIRS ANNUAL REPORT DATA 04-05

Department Name  Residence Life/Child Development Center

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Department Annual Report web link  N/A

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Number of Full-Time Staff  3

Mission

The Child Development Center is committed to creating an environment that emphasized helping each child gain a positive self-concept, self-discipline, as well as a positive attitude and feeling toward others. The center provides a safe, clean and healthy learning environment to provide children a sense of security, accomplishment and comfort while away from their parents.

Major departments/functions/offices/responsibilities - brief listing
Because the staff of the center believes that each child is a unique and special individual, with different interests and needs, they strive to develop the children's interest in learning and enhance the abilities of every child in the center. The Child Development Center creates relationships with student-parents that are supportive and mentoring and that serve as a resource on parenting and pursuing a degree.

3 main departmental goals and related accomplishments/results for 04-05

Goal #1
To continue to increase enrollment.

Results/Accomplishments #1A
Due to increased enrollment, revenues have increased which has eliminated the need for funds from the student activities fees.

Results/Accomplishments #1B
As a result of increased enrollment, the center has been able to service more parents and children for a longer period of time.

Goal #2
To install a protective fence.

Results/Accomplishments #2
The protective fence has been installed which increases the safety factor for the school-aged children.

Results/Accomplishments #2B
The installation of the fence should result in a higher environmental rating for the center.

Goal #3
To provide educational and creative programs for adults and children.

Results/Accomplishments #3A
Programs for parents included seminars on financial aid, time management, persistence, and peer support.

Results/Accomplishments #3B
Programs for children included violin lessons, art lessons, and sewing and dance demonstrations.

Up to 3 student learning objectives and outcomes for 04-05
Student learning objective #1
To increase literacy.

Outcome #1
A fundamental form of literacy is developed when children learn to respond to, perform, and create works of art.

Student learning objective #2
To be able to use inner control over their behavior.

Outcome #2
Students are better able to express their emotions using words, rather than physical force.

Student learning objective #3
To help the student-parents to become better role models.

Outcome #3
The children of the student-parents have a more defined idea of actions and reactions that are appropriate and are more likely to pattern their behavior on that of the student-parent model.

3 main bragging points for department - Optional

Bragging point #1
Through adequate yearly reports and high ratings on on-site evaluations, the center has been accredited by the National Accreditation Commission for Early Care and Education Standards.

Bragging point #2
The Child Development Center enjoys growth through continued enrollment increases.

Bragging point #3
The center has received a 3-star rating by the Department of Human Services based on good ratings from even unannounced on-site evaluations.

If applicable, 3 major 04-05 events/programs/etc. with description, attendance info, money raised

Event #1
The preschool graduation program showcases the educational goals reached and the artistic skills that have been developed. Approximately one hundred children, student-parents and their extended families, and faculty and staff attended the program.

Event #2
The Fall Festival held in October provided games, food, and activities for the one hundred or so attendees, including children and student-parents.

Event #3
The Trike-a-thon encourages all students of the center to gain pledges from family and friends for
riding. The proceeds go to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

**Contact summaries for the 04-05 year as applicable - headcount counseling sessions, cases, programs help, students housed, children housed, children cared for, tests administered, interviews hosted, etc.**

We cared for approximately 90-100 children during the fall and spring semesters and 50 during the summer session.

**3 Main initiatives for 05-06**

Initiative #1
To continue to maintain a quality center through employing highly qualified personnel and pursuing excellence in education.

Initiative #2
To again achieve accreditation from the National Accreditation Commission for Early Care and Education Standards and a 3-star rating from the Department of Human Services.

Initiative #3
To get more parents involved in the activities of the center.