

Virginia Head Start Association
Southeast Regional Training/Reporting Session
June 18, 2008
Virginia Beach, VA

Trainings provided for the Southeast Regional Meetings for PY2007-2008 included:

- Family Development Associate - Damon Manning and Brandi Thacker at West Point
- Transportation Concerns/Solutions - Malinda Langford, TA Specialist at Newport News

Accomplishments included:

- 4 programs received \$35,000. Early Head Start Quality Improvement Grants
- 4 programs participated in the Smart Beginnings Quality Rating System
- 2 programs received Head Start/VPI Collaboration Grants (\$3500. each)
- Richmond Public Schools in partnership with Virginia Commonwealth University School of Education received 3.8 million dollars for the Early Reading, First Grant
- Successfully opened the line of Communications to partner with EXXON for fuel at a reduced/flat/no cost rate.....
- ECHO instrument is being used by 2 programs for successful hearing screening results

Trainings planned for PY2008-2009 include:

- Mental Health/Social Emotional Training at CDR, Sept.17, 2008 10 a.m-1 p.m.
- CLASS Training at York County, with Ann Janney Shultz, Sept.28&29, 2008
- VPI/HS Collaboration at Chesterfield, January 14, 2009, Every Director brings VPI/Title I representatives.
- Reauthorization Discussion/Training with Executive Directors, Date TBA-questions about a regional or State meeting.
- Leadership Development Training needed
- Supervision Training needed

GOALS:

1. Strengthen VPI/HS Collaboration, use template for the MOU
2. Develop Leadership Skills with all staff
3. Strengthen Supervisory skills of Mid Management Staff
4. Improve overall Mental Health Services for children, families and staff.

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