



# Annual Report 2021-2022

Stark County Community Action Agency  
Head Start / Early Head Start



## **Stark County Community Action Agency**

### **Mission**

To promote economic self-sufficiency among  
low-income families and individuals in Stark County

***We are committed to Helping people... Changing lives***

## **SCCAA Head Start Vision**

Head Start/Early Head Start is based on the premise that all children share certain needs, and that children of low-income families in particular, can benefit from a comprehensive developmental program to meet those needs. SCCAA Head Start / Early Head Start programs are committed to nurturing the dreams and aspirations of families in the program.

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# Head Start / Early Head Start



The Stark County Community Action Agency (SCCAA) Head Start/ Early Head Start program has promoted kindergarten readiness since 1991. Through education, nutrition, health, social and other services offered to Stark County residents. Head Start / Early Head Start enhances the cognitive and social development of children and families in the program.

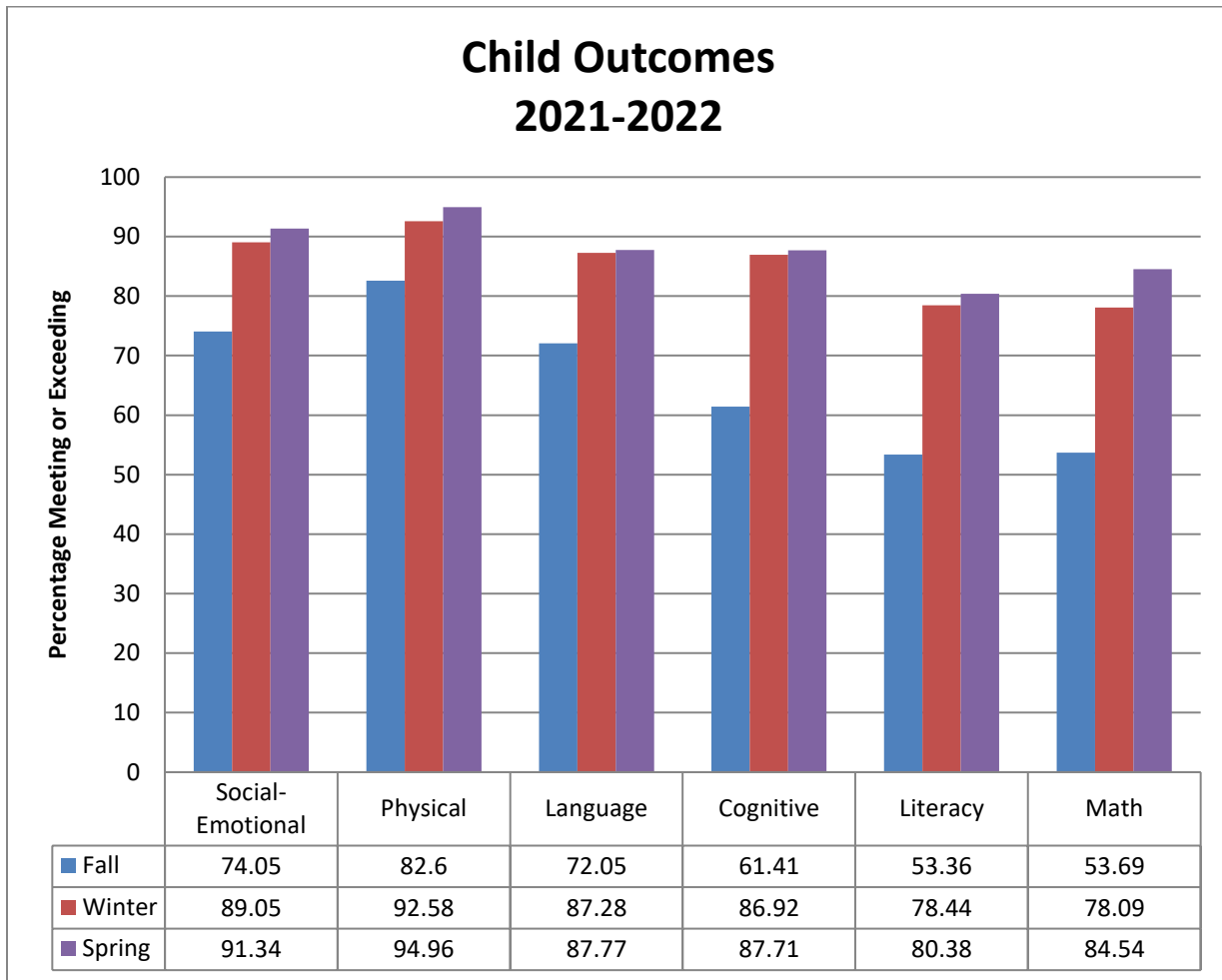
Head Start is a federally funded comprehensive program designed to prepare children for kindergarten while focusing on the development of the child as well as the growth and development of the family.

The SCCAA Head Start program operates four locations in the cities of Canton, Massillon, and Alliance. All four sites have a 5-Star Step Up to Quality rating. Additionally, children are served through childcare partnerships throughout Stark County.

## Head Start Program Goals

- Goal 1:** The SCCAA Head Start program will provide services to children, families and staff to improve their mental, physical, dental, and nutritional health status.
- Goal 2:** The SCCAA Head Start program will engage families and the community in the program to prepare children for school success and to assist families in achieving positive outcomes toward their goals.
- Goal 3:** SCCAA Head Start will provide exceptional opportunities to prepare children for successful transition to kindergarten.
- Goal 4:** The SCCAA Head Start program will support a focus on maintaining a program focus on quality and safety.

# Preparing Children for School



The data above reflects child outcomes for the data collections of the 2021-2022 school year. These are based on teacher observations and assessments. The teaching staff utilize the Teaching Strategies Gold assessment tool that is aligned with Creative Curriculum

The numbers indicate the percentage of children enrolled in the program that are either meeting or exceeding widely held expectations for children of the same age. This data is reflective of all children enrolled in Head Start and Early Head Start.

At the beginning of the year, it is appropriate for a student's skill and abilities to fall below widely held expectations for his/her age because they may not have received instructions for that level previously.

# Transitions

A primary goal of the Head Start program is to prepare children for a successful transition to kindergarten, as well as to develop a foundation for future school success. The program provides the following transition activities for children:

- Classroom activities
- Kindergarten information sessions at the centers
- Information on kindergarten registration dates
- Stark County Transition Skills Summary (TSS)

The program participates in the Stark County Transition Skills Summary (TSS). The (TSS) aligns with the expectations of the receiving schools in Stark County. TSS is a collaborative project in Stark County that increases the connection between preschools and kindergarten programs. The TSS is an online observation tool used to capture a child's progress in five developmental areas using 47 key developmental skills. The TSS provides program and county-wide data to help with program planning and to guide teacher professional development . The TSS also provides an individual parent report for each child on ways to help build skills for kindergarten.

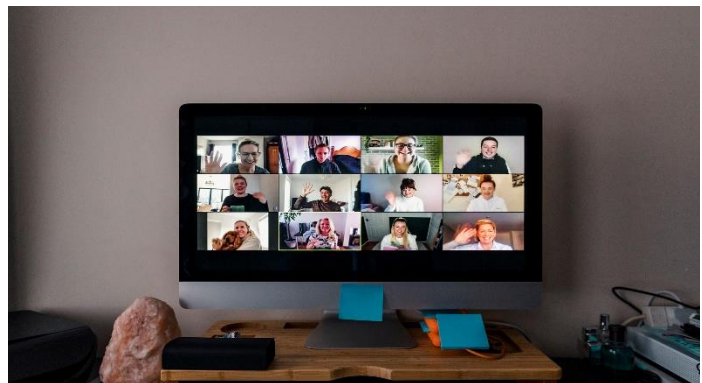


# Parent Involvement

At Head Start, we support our families as the primary teachers of their children. We also encourage families to engage in the program as a way to support their family goals.

We provide the following opportunities for families to engage in the program:

- Parent Orientation
- Parent Center Committees
- Policy Council / Program Governance Participation
- Home Visits
- Parent Teacher Conferences
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Training Opportunities



## Parent Engagement in a Pandemic

For the 2021-2022 program year parent engagement and involvement was drastically affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Through the use of the Zoom online web platform Policy Council and the SCCAA Board of Directors was able to continue their important work for the program. SCCAA Head Start also introduced Ready Rosie as the new parenting curriculum. Ready Rosie uses video and mobile technology to engage families in a new way to enhance their child's journey to School Readiness.



# Head Start by the Numbers

Head Start		Early Head Start	
Funded Enrollment	<b>770</b>	Funded Enrollment	<b>94</b>
Number of Children Served	<b>346</b>	Number of Children Served	<b>122</b>
Percentage of Eligible Children	<b>95%</b>	Percentage of Eligible Children	<b>96%</b>
Average Monthly Enrollment	<b>278</b>	Average Monthly Enrollment	<b>72</b>
Number of Families	<b>318</b>	Number of Families	<b>102</b>
Children receiving Medical Exams	<b>77%</b>	Children Receiving Medical Exams	<b>78%</b>
Children receiving Dental Exams	<b>60%</b>	Children Receiving Dental Exams	<b>78%</b>





# Budget & Expenditures

<b>Budget at a Glance 2021-2022</b>			
<b>Head Start</b>		<b>Early Head Start</b>	
Salary	\$3,042,493	Salary	\$531,810
Fringe	\$1,915,602	Fringe	\$290,045
Contractual	\$560,580	Contractual	\$350,511
Supplies	\$141,421	Supplies	\$53,864
Equipment	\$0	Equipment	\$0
Other	\$407,179	Other	\$53,150
Indirect	\$810,153	Indirect	\$134,291
T/TA	\$73,615	T/TA	\$31,094
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,951,043</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,445,202</b>

<b>REVENUE BY SOURCE</b>	
<b>5/1/2021 TO 4/30/2022</b>	
Head Start	\$6,951,043
EHS	\$1,445,202
USDA-CACFP Nutrition	\$178,942.32
INKIND	\$605,627
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$9,180,814.32</b>

<b>Total Program Expenses</b>	
<b>5/1/2021 TO 4/30/2022</b>	
Head Start	\$4,511,116.90
Early Head Start	\$1,005,820.11
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,516,937.01</b>

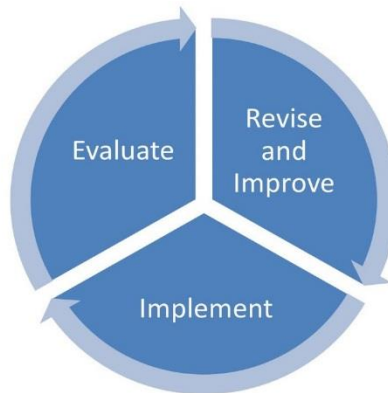
# Audit & Review

## Annual Audit Results

The accounting firm of Maloney & Novotny, LLC, conducted an independent audit for the period ending December 31, 2021. The final report identified one finding related to the required submission of annual SF-429 and SF-429-A for 2021. All other areas were found to be in compliance.

## Federal Review

In April of 2022, the Head Start program participated in a Focus Area 2 review conducted by the Office of Head Start. This review measures progress in providing services in the 5-year grant cycle. The SCCAA Head Start program was found to be compliant with the Head Start Performance Standards within the exception of two areas of concern related to safety of a piece of playground equipment and required fiscal report submission.



# Stark County Community Action Agency Head Start Locations

## Head Start/Early Head Start Administrative Offices

3015 Mahoning Rd., NE  
Canton, OH 44705  
330-456-6218

## William H. Hunter Center

Head Start/Early Head Start  
3015 Mahoning Rd., NE  
Canton, OH 44705  
330-456-6218

## William Malloy Center

Head Start  
1134 Walnut Avenue  
Massillon, OH 44646  
330-834-3567

## Alliance Franklin Center

Head Start  
321 Franklin Street  
Alliance, OH 44601  
330-821-5977

## Metro Center Center

400 E. Tuscarawas Street  
Canton, OH 44702  
330-456-3068

## Southeast Center

1400 Sherrick Rd., SE  
Canton, OH 44707  
330-438-4994

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