

Learning Community Coordinating Council

May 19, 2022 – 6:00PM

1612 North 24th Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68110

Learning Community Vision: That all children within the Learning Community achieve academic success without regard to social or economic circumstance.

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken, are as follows: (Items do not have to be taken in the same order as listed.)

I. Opening the Meeting

- i. Call to Order: The regular May meeting of the Learning Community Council is called to order on May 19, 2022, at 6 p.m.
- ii. **Council Mission Statement: Together with school districts and community organizations as partners, we demonstrate, share, and implement more effective practices to measurably improve educational outcomes for children and families in poverty.**
- iii. Public Notice and Compliance Nebraska Open Meetings Law
- iv. Council Roll Call:
- v. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Public Comment

III. Chair Opening Statement:

A. Reports

- i. Chair
- ii. CEO
- iii. Treasurer
- iv. Legal Counsel
- v. Foundation

IV. Consent Agenda

Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

- i. Minutes of the April 21, 2022, meeting of the Council
- ii. Treasurer's Report – dated April 30, 2022

V. Programming Update

- a. Centers Updates -
- b. Superintendents' Plan - BECI Presentation
- c. District Initiatives -
 - i. **Action Item:** Upon recommendation of Achievement Subcouncils 1, 4 and 6, the motion to authorize the CEO to enter ELC programming agreements with a school approved organization. The organization is to fund extended learning and instructional coaching in the amount of \$444,364.38 Summary Sheet (attached) for the 2022/2023 fiscal year. Approval is contingent upon Council approval of authorization of the elementary levy and the 2022/2023 fiscal year budget for the Learning Community.
 - ii. **Action Item:** Upon recommendation of the Executive Committee, the motion to authorize the CEO to enter ELC programming agreements with a school Bellevue school districts to fund instructional coaching in the amount of \$ 309,000 Summary Sheet (attached) for the 2022/2023 fiscal year. Approval is contingent upon Council approval of authorization of the elementary levy and the 2022/2023 fiscal year budget for the Learning Community.
 - iii. **Action Item:** Upon recommendation of Subcouncil 3, the motion to authorize the CEO to enter ELC programming agreements with a school districts to fund jumpstart and extended learning in the amount of \$315,269.16 Summary Sheet (attached) for the 2022/2023 fiscal year. Approval is contingent upon Council approval of authorization of the elementary levy and the 2022/2023 fiscal year budget for the Learning Community.

VI. Subcommittee Reports

1. Elementary Learning and Diversity Subcommittee (ELD)
2. Budget, Finance and Audit Subcommittee
3. Legislative Subcommittee

VII. New Business

VIII. Upcoming Meeting – June 16, 2022 – Learning Community Center of North Omaha, 1612 North 24th Street, Omaha, NE 68110

IX. Adjourn

***Closed Session:** If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the council will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Law.

****Sequence of Agenda:** The sequence of agenda topics is subject to change at the discretion of the Council. Please arrive at the beginning of the meeting.

UPCOMING LEARNING COMMUNITY EVENTS:

LC Coordinating Council	June 16, 2022, 6:00 p.m. Learning Community Center of North Omaha, 1612 N. 24 th Street, Omaha, NE
Subcouncil #1	To Be Determined
Subcouncil #2	To Be Determined
Subcouncil #3	To Be Determined
Subcouncil #4	To Be Determined
Subcouncil #5	To Be Determined
Subcouncil #6	To Be Determined

HANDOUTS TO ACCOMPANY THIS AGENDA ARE AS FOLLOW

- LCCC Minutes dated April 21, 2022
- April Treasurer's Report
- CEO Report
- Center Updates
- BECI Presentation
- District Initiatives Summary Sheet



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Chief Executive Officer
Dr. Bradley Ekwerekwu

COORDINATING COUNCIL OFFICERS

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Allen Hager

Vice Chair
Brian Thommes

Secretary
Carol Hahn

Treasurer
Mark Hoeger

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Achievement Subcouncil 1
Clarice Jackson
Brian Thommes

Achievement Subcouncil 2
Carol Hahn
Nathan Zingg

Achievement Subcouncil 3
Mark Hoeger
Melinda Kozel

Achievement Subcouncil 4
Allen Hager
Lisa Schoenberger

Achievement Subcouncil 5
Erik Servellon
Tonya Ward

Achievement Subcouncil 6
Andrew Brock
Tim Hall

MISSION

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MAY 19, 2022 LCCC MEETING

CEO REPORT

1. First and foremost, we want to congratulate and celebrate Ms. Renee Franklin on a very accomplished and fruitful tenure at the Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy Counties. Renee has been a steadfast presence in the creation and continued vision of the LC. We trust that Renee will remain a champion for Learning Community families and work to remove barriers to success through systems work in communities.
2. The Council will consider District Initiatives at tonight's meeting. Please ensure that you are engaged in discussions around continued vision and strategy to support school districts now, and in the future. Thank you to all of the Subcouncils that met with school districts to discuss on-going efforts of supporting students and instructors in the classroom.
3. The Buffet Early Childhood Institute will be present at the June LCCC meeting to present findings related to the "Transition Year" of the current Superintendent's Early Childhood Plan. Please ensure that you thoroughly review the contract (signed June 2021) and plan to engage in meaningful, constructive dialogue regarding current data/findings, as well as data that will emerge in future years. BECI will return to the October LCCC meeting to present formal data evaluation, but initial observations will inform future action items. The LCCC should expect to hear plans for "Year 1" after hearing dialogue about the BECI Landscape Assessment, as well. We look forward to hosting Dr. Meisels and his team.
4. The LC staff continues to work with community partners to locate physical locations for the LCCSO satellite location, as well as the 3rd Center location for "mid-southwest" Omaha. This working group continues to work with school district officials and community members to effectively guide program development, as well. Please look forward to a more formal report as details are solidified.
5. The Learning Community Foundation plans to hold more meetings to specifically discuss funding/budgeting scenarios to support operations of the satellite and 3rd Center. The LCF possesses budget documents that will assist their fundraising efforts, which will continue to progress this year and be tracked in the LC strategic plan moving forward.

Learning Community Coordinating Council

April 21st, 2022 – 6:00PM

1612 North 24th, Omaha, Nebraska

Meeting Minutes

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- ii. **Council Mission Statement: Together with school districts and community organizations as partners, we demonstrate, share, and implement more effective practices to measurably improve educational outcomes for children and families in poverty.**
- iii. Public Notice and Compliance Nebraska Open Meetings Law

A meeting of the Coordinating Council of the Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy Counties was held April 21st, 2022. Notice of the meeting, containing the date, time, place, and agenda, was given in advance thereof by publication in the Daily Record on April 18th, 2022. The proofs of publication have been received and will be made a permanent part of the record of the meeting. Notice of the agenda was given to all members of the Council on April 15th, 2022.

iv. Council Roll Call:

Voting Members Present: Brock, Hoeger, Hall, Hahn, Thommes, Kozel, Schoenberger, Servellon, Ward, Zingg, Chair Hager

Voting Members Excused: Jackson

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Ekwerekwu, O'Hara, Harris, Franklin, Videgla

Also Present: BECI, Koley Jessen, Goals

v. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Public Comment

A. Reports

i. Chair- Chair asked that everyone keep Senator Brad Ashford in our prayers and a moment of silence was given to him.

ii. CEO -

1. The Council will receive an update on the Strategic Planning dashboard and on-going progress of vision/goal attainment at the tonight's LCCC meeting. As you will see/hear, many Q1 and Q2 goals are either completed, or in-progress with very clear completion timelines. Please reference the April 2022 LC Strategic Plan KPI worksheet for specific details regarding all strategic directions and goals.
2. We welcome GOALS to the meeting to discuss the updates on current programming and future vision items. Please be prepared to engage in this conversation so that you are well informed of this on-going work.
3. The Emspace + Lovgren marketing/communications contract was approved at the March 2022 LCCC meeting. Since then, a number of details are being ironed out, including strategic creative direction and community impact methods. The marketing/communications ad hoc subcommittee will meet soon to discuss these items and report back to the LCCC at a future meeting. Please direct any questions to the CEO.
4. The LC staff continues to work with community partners to locate physical locations for the LCCSO satellite location, as well as the 3rd Center location for "mid-southwest" Omaha. This working group is discussing a few locations in detail to ensure that the location fits all LC needs, and remains within the scope of the LC mission/vision and legislative mandates. A formal report will follow more significant news.
5. A team from Nebraska Children and Families Foundation visited both Centers to meet with staff and witness programming in action. Most of the agenda was dominated by discussions of family literacy, social service navigation, program development, as well as vision/collaboration ideas for future service expansion. A few "family resource center" models are under review for local and State implementation, with the LC representing a vital part of the support structure. More news will come as we progress with the 3rd Center concept and program offerings are solidified with partners.
6. The Learning Community Foundation held a meeting on April 21, 2022, to specifically discuss upcoming funding/budgeting scenarios. The LCF possesses budget documents that will assist their fundraising efforts, which will continue to progress this year and be tracked in the LC strategic plan moving forward.

iii. Treasurer- No Report.

iv. Legal Counsel- No report.

v. Foundation- Hahn shared their goals of coming together and working on this new project. She shared that it would take times and hard work for this new goal to be done; but they are ready to do so.

III. Consent Agenda

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- i. Minutes of the March 17th, 2022, meeting of the Council
- ii. Treasurer's Report – dated March 31st, 2021
- iii. Second Quarter Budget to Actual Report for FY 2021/2022

Motion to approve Council meeting minutes of March 17th, 2022; Treasurer's report of March 31st, 2022, and Second Quarter Budget to Actual Report for FY 2021/2022.

Motion first by Zingg, second by Thommes .

Yeas: Brock, Hall, Hahn, Kozel, Servellon, Schoenberger, Thommes, Zingg, Chair Hager. **Nays:** Ward,
Motion carried.

IV. Programming Update

- a) Centers Updates-
- b) Superintendent's Plan- BECI Presentation
- c) District Initiatives- Program Process Agreements

V. Subcommittee Reports

1. Elementary Learning and Diversity Subcommittee (ELD)
2. Budget, Finance and Audit Subcommittee- Hoeger shared they are currently in the Audit season.
3. Legislative Subcommittee- Schoenberger shared updates on bills that have passed and was excited to announced that one of the bills that we supported has moved on to be approval. She also shared that there will great funds for children and more in South Omaha and other areas to support our schools and more. The committee will be meeting soon with the lobbyist to talk more about things that are dear to the Learning Community. She also asked the council to bring forth other things they may want to discuss pertaining the Learning Community goals and mission.

VI. New Business

1. GOALS Presentation

VII. Upcoming Meeting – May 19, 2022 – Learning Community Center of North Omaha, 1612 North 24th Street, Omaha, NE 68110

VIII. Adjourn at 7:28 PM.

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- CEO Report
- April 2022 Strategic Plan KPI
- LCCC Minutes dated March 17, 2022
- March Treasurer's Report
- Second Quarter Budget To Actual Document
- GOALS Presentation
- Subcouncil and District Initiatives

LEARNING COMMUNITY OF DOUGLAS SARPY COUNTIES

Treasurer's Report

Apr 30, 2022

Check#	Date	Name	Invoice/CM #	Line Description	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Payment Status
	4/1/22	All Copy Products	AR3502104	Monthly Maintenance for Admin Area 4/1/22-4/30/22	46.04		
5555				All Copy Products		46.04	Paid In Full
3755	4/4/22	Buffett Early Childhood Institute	LCYR1-032022Eval	March 2022 Supt Plan Eval Buffett Early Childhood Institute	115,664.47		115,664.47 Paid In Full
	4/4/22	Buffett Early Childhood Institute	LCYR1-032022Supes	March 2022 monthly program payment Residual Balance 25% of Residual deduction Buffett Early Childhood Institute	146,992.36 -14,939.07		132,053.29 Paid In Full
5560							
	4/20/22	Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	2222428	Admin Health/Dental (Bradley Ekwerekwu, Paula Erlwine, Sarah Videgla, Alice Lewis) ELC Health/Dental (Renee Franklin) Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska	3,749.61 773.12		4,522.73 Paid In Full
5587							
5568	4/11/22	C & A Industries - Celebrity Staff	2558867	Receptionist temp 3/28/22-3/31/22 C & A Industries - Celebrity Staff	576.00		576.00 Paid In Full
5577	4/18/22	C & A Industries - Celebrity Staff	2568390	Receptionist temp 4/3/22-4/9/22 C & A Industries - Celebrity Staff	36.00		36.00 Paid In Full
5584	4/25/22	C & A Industries - Celebrity Staff	2577784	Receptionist temp 4/10/22-4/16/22 C & A Industries - Celebrity Staff	726.00		726.00 Paid In Full
5566	4/1/22	Clarity Benefit Solutions	0401224474	March 2022 Admin Mo Fee; MED & DCA Clarity Benefit Solutions	47.50		47.50 Paid In Full
5578	4/22/22	Colonial Life	3884152-0401816	Short Term Dis (Admin) Short Term Dis (Franklin) Colonial Life	449.65 138.00		587.65 Paid In Full
5556	3/31/22	Completely KIDS	20220331LC	March Contract billing for Field Club Elementary Completely KIDS	1,557.00		1,557.00 Paid In Full
5572	4/17/22	Control Yours	6137	Plus membership Subscription fee for LCC Control Yours	175.00		175.00 Paid In Full
	2/28/22	Culligan of Omaha	1026328	Equipment Cooler (LCCNO Class Rooms)4/1-4/30/22	5.50		
	3/31/22	Culligan of Omaha	1028989	Equipment Cooler (Admin Office)	12.50		
5562	3/31/22	Culligan of Omaha	1029117	Equipment Cooler (LCCNO Class Rooms)4/1-4/30/22 Culligan of Omaha	5.50		23.50 Paid In Full

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	4/25/22	Culligan of Omaha	1030468	Water & Delivery (Admin Office)	19.50		
	4/25/22	Culligan of Omaha	1030473	5 Gal water Delivery & Equipment 4/19 Cooler (LCCNO Class Rooms)	43.50		
5579				Culligan of Omaha		63.00	Paid In Full
	4/18/22	The Daily Record	143172	Coordinating Council Mtg notice - 4/21/22	18.50		
5585				The Daily Record		18.50	Paid In Full
	4/1/22	El Mero Mero Inc	April 2022	April 2022	5,521.00		
1388				El Mero Mero Inc		5,521.00	Paid In Full
	3/31/22	EMSPACE, INC	90507	Account Service & Consulting	637.50		
				Media Outreach & Management	450.00		
5573				EMSPACE, INC		1,087.50	Paid In Full
	4/21/22	Engineered Controls, Inc	20220898	Troubleshoot zone expander /terminal strip reseated	151.00		
5580				Engineered Controls, Inc		151.00	Paid In Full
	3/1/22	James Hager III	NASB 2022	NASB Conference Hotel Reimbursement	162.27		
5557				James Hager III		162.27	Paid In Full
	3/1/22	Timothy Hall	NASB 2022	NASB Conference Hotel Reimbursement	170.21		
				Travel Mileage	56.00		
5558				Timothy Hall		226.21	Paid In Full
	4/1/22	HELP Foundation of Omaha	2302 April 2022	Rent and utilities	12,899.64		
1389				HELP Foundation of Omaha		12,899.64	Paid In Full
	10/11/21	InfNet Solutions, Inc.	60231ISI	16GB SDRAM MEMORY MODULE	214.99		
	11/29/21	InfNet Solutions, Inc.	60521ISI	LENOVO THINKPAD L15	899.00		
5564				InfNet Solutions, Inc.		1,113.99	Paid In Full
	4/1/22	InfNet Solutions, Inc.	61495ISI	Monthly Managed Services - APRIL 2022	2,160.00		
5564				InfNet Solutions, Inc.		2,160.00	Paid In Full
	4/15/22	Jensen Rogert Associates, Inc.	2022-5	May 2022 installment	2,416.67		
5571				Jensen Rogert Associates, Inc.		2,416.67	Paid In Full
	4/8/22	Koley Jessen PC LLO	430928	Audit Letters	404.00		
	4/8/22	Koley Jessen PC LLO	430929	SO Satellite Facility	712.50		
	4/8/22	Koley Jessen PC LLO	431864	ELC Contract	1,888.00		
	4/8/22	Koley Jessen PC LLO	431865	Monthly Community Council Meetings	1,008.00		
5574				Koley Jessen PC LLO		4,012.50	Paid In Full
	3/29/22	Konica Minolta Premier Finance	75913234	Admin Lease payment	194.48		
5559				Konica Minolta Premier Finance		194.48	Paid In Full

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5569	4/10/22	Lion's Gate Security Solutions	LCMAR2022REV	3/24/2022 Security Services 3/17, 3/24 Lion's Gate Security Solutions	144.00	144.00	Paid In Full
1390	3/24/22	Lund Company	1612-April 2022	Lease payment Lund Company	52,459.76	52,459.76	Paid In Full
5561	3/31/22	Nebraska Early Childhood Collaborat	03312022	Childcare Director Training Prog - March 2022 Nebraska Early Childhood Collaborative	5,018.73	5,018.73	Paid In Full
5575	2/28/22	One World Community Health Cente	0004506-IN	February 2022 Expenses South Omaha Center	121,257.00		
	3/31/22	One World Community Health Cente	0004526-IN	March 2022 Expenses South Omaha Center One World Community Health Centers, Inc	108,079.00	229,336.00	Paid In Full
5582	4/25/22	OMAHA PUBLIC SCHOOLS	BECI008	Jan-Mar 31 2022 BECI payment - Mt. View Jan-Mar 31 2022 BECI payment - Gomez Jan-Mar 31 2022 BECI payment - Liberty Jan-Mar 31 2022 BECI payment - Pinewood OMAHA PUBLIC SCHOOLS	4,278.43 15,794.50 27,696.60 29,712.90	77,482.43	Paid In Full
5583	4/25/22	OMAHA PUBLIC SCHOOLS	Jan 1-Mar 312022 ELC	Instructional Coaching - SC1 Instructional Coaching - SC3 ELC Partnership Progrm OMAHA PUBLIC SCHOOLS	44,642.77 40,405.11 109,408.85	194,456.73	Paid In Full
5581	4/20/22	PARLAY CONSULTING FIRM INC	479	CEO Coaching Session 3/9/22 Credit from Strategic Planning PARLAY CONSULTING FIRM INC	225.00 -105.00	120.00	Paid In Full
5563	4/3/22	HiTouch	7353468553-0-1	KCUP TWINNINGS LEMON & GINGER HiTouch	43.39	43.39	Paid In Full
5567	4/10/22	HiTouch	7353941411-0-1	NAPKINS, BOUNTY, 100/PK, WH HiTouch	11.58	11.58	Paid In Full
5576	4/20/22	HiTouch	7354829884-0-1	DART 12OZ FOAM CUP 25PK BATTERY AAA 24PK HiTouch	10.08 14.19	24.27	Paid In Full
5565	3/31/22	Seim Johnson LLP	CL06438.00 033122	Acctg Assistance - L Determan Conference call regarding 2022-23 District initiative - D Osten Seim Johnson LLP	545.00 3,420.00	3,965.00	Paid In Full
	4/27/22	Seim Johnson LLP	CL06438.00 042722	Acctg Assistance - L Determan	49.00		

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				Financial Audit Compilation Assistance - D Osten & L Determan	6,351.00		
5588				Less Discount to arranged fees	-1,851.00		
				Seim Johnson LLP		4,549.00	Paid In Full
3756	4/5/22	UNMC	04/2022 ELC Eval	April 2022 Monthly ELC Eval Prog UNMC	35,164.58		
						35,164.58	Paid In Full
5586	4/19/22	VSP Insurance Co.	814957160	May 2022 VSP Insurance Co.	60.53		
						60.53	Paid In Full
042622EFT	4/26/22	Security National Bank	March Statement	Credit Card Online Pmt	1,147.14	1,147.14	Paid In Full
					<u>890,025.08</u>	<u>890,025.08</u>	

LEARNING COMMUNITY OF DOUGLAS SARPY COUNTIES

Credit Card Report

Apr 30, 2022

Date	Reference	Trans Description	Debit Amt	Credit Amt	Balance
4/1/22		Beginning Balance			-1,147.14
4/13/22	CC042022_V01	United States Postal Service		100.00	
4/13/22	CC042022_V02	NE Council of School Administr		180.00	
4/13/22	CC042022_V03	Expedia		614.96	
4/13/22	CC042022_V04	Zoom Video Communication, Inc.		199.90	
4/20/22	CC042022_V05	Amazon.com		95.53	
4/22/22	CC042022_L01	Scooter's Coffee		16.52	
4/22/22	CC042022_L02	EMBASSY SUITES		39.00	
4/24/22	CC042022_V06	Stamps.com		17.99	
4/26/22	042622EFT	Security National Bank - Credit Card Payable - SNB	1,147.14		
4/27/22	CC042022_L03	HyVee Accounts Receivable		84.65	
4/28/22	CC042022_E01	First Watch Cafe'		43.69	
4/29/22	CC042022_V07	1&1 Ionos		8.71	
		Current Period Change	1,147.14	1,400.95	-253.81
4/30/22		Ending Balance			-1,400.95

LCC Council Meeting Center Update

May 10, 2022

North Center Update

Courses

- ESL and GED classes are being held in person weekly at the North Omaha Center. ESL is held on Mondays and Wednesdays for 3 hours each day and GED held Tuesdays and Thursdays for 3 hours each day. This is in partnership with MCC. ESL and GED will be on break May 23rd-May 27th in recognition of the Memorial Day holiday.
- The Emotional Health course concluded with participants learning how to journal, implement mindful meditation techniques, and do restorative yoga.
- Spanish speaking parents are attending a 8 weeks parenting course facilitated by Boys Town entitled, Common Sense Parenting for School Success. The course provides practical skills that parents can implement to address behaviors that could potentially hinder children from academic success.
- A financial education course entitled How money works will begin on Monday May 16th. This 4 week in-person course will educate parents on money management, budgeting, credit etc.
- We continue to offer both in person classes and virtual courses in the evenings and occasional weekends to best meet the needs of our families.

Programming updates

- DECA/DAYC assessments were collected and turned into Munroe Myer evaluation team to be scored and information will be reported out as part of the evaluation report.
- Educational Navigators will be asking Parent University participants to complete a short parent survey. The results will be shared during the evaluation results.
- A Spanish speaking focus group was conducted on May 2. There were approximately 10-12 participants who stayed after ESL class to share their experiences in Parent University.

Program Recruitment efforts

Parent University (PU) is working collaboratively with the OPS partnering elementary schools and Sharon Pratt to find opportunities at the schools to recruit families to PU.

This will be done by:

- Staff set up a table to recruit at the English language (EL) celebration being held at the Kroc Center 4/14. Staff also participated in recruitment opportunities at Conestoga for Family Bingo and Skinner elementary for Earth Day on 4/21.
- PU Staff created bags with brochures, referral forms, and course calendars that were shared with parents in the early childhood classrooms.

Staffing Updates

1. We are still actively recruiting for a Program Coordinator, 4 educational navigators; 3 PT positions: (1) food coordinator and (2) child learning specialists (evening) positions. We have hired a new Child Learning Specialist set to begin Monday May 16th.
2. PU Director in collaboration with Project Harmony is working on more creative methods for recruitment and filling the opened positions.

COVID:

North Center continues to utilize and practice COVID protocols such as mask wearing inside the building and completing temperature checks for participants and children.

Learning Community Center of South Omaha
Updates 5/11/22

Good news

- A parent participant obtained her GED through the program on 4/28. Her three children and husband filmed the moment she found out she passed the test and shared it with the center staff.
- Ana Yumul, owner of Bella's Daycare and a member of our Cultivando Generaciones Futuras (Cultivating Future Generations) program, won the Can Do Provider award through Kids Can.
- Various groups of parents and children went on field trips to the South Omaha Library where they signed up for library cards. The children's librarian read to the kids while their parents were on a tour.
- A group of volunteers recruited from Nebraska Extension came to visit the center and planted our outdoor spaces with child-safe plants in the play areas.
- Our staff retreat in April at the Creighton Retreat Center was a success. We focused on training and teamwork.

LCCSO staff

- Fully staffed except for one open position
- One staff member obtained her CDA in the past month

Staff trainings in past month

- Child Learning
 - Circle of Security – Classroom (Project Harmony)
 - Cultivating Healthy Intentional Mindful Educators (CHIME-Nebraska Extension)
 - Nature-based Learning - Community of Practice (Nebraska Extension)
 - Go NAP-SAC (Children's Hospital)
 - Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS) Training for Child Learning Manager
- Childcare Provider coaches (Cultivating Future Generations Program)
 - National Training Institute in Tampa, FL (paid by NCCF)
- Navigators
 - Growing Great Kids (new staff)
 - Keys to Interactive Parenting Scale (2 staff)

Expanding Partnerships

- Porscha Howard, Senior Training Manager, WCA, toured the center and discussed new opportunities

Preschool Development Grant – Cultivating Future Generations program

- 14 providers and one director receiving coaching
- Three subcontracted early childhood coaches traveled to Tampa for one week to participate in Pyramid Model training (paid for by Nebraska Children)
- Trainings or collaboration meetings are held at the center once a month on Saturdays
- Two LCCSO staff attended a train-the-trainer session in Pyramid Model for childcare providers

LCCSO Classes

Classes meet at the center five days a week, for six or more hours a day, split into three parent and four early childhood classrooms. Our comprehensive program has thirteen cohorts – two GED cohorts and eleven ESL cohorts. All participants in the comprehensive program also attend parent workshops and participate in-home (or personal) visits.

Parent workshops are held weekly in three classrooms and recently included the following courses:

- Mind in the Making course on executive functioning (consultant referred through ESU 5)
- Workforce Development (Metro)
- Computer Literacy (Metro)
- Mindfulness for Parents (LCCSO staff with special training)
- Mental health 101 (LCCSO staff with special training)
- “Opening Doors” Family course about Education (Catholic Charities)
- Pyramid Model for Parents (Child Saving Institute)
- Love and Logic (LCCSO staff)
- Circle of Security (Project Harmony and Child Saving Institute)
- Early Childhood Guidelines for parents (consultant referred through ESU 5)

Parent/Child Offerings

- Weekly String Sprouts parent/child violin program (Omaha Conservatory of Music)
- Weekly Prime Time Reading program (Humanities Nebraska)
- Children joined their parents in classes for part of Mother’s Day

Evening programming this past month has included Prime Time Reading twice a week, and String Sprouts violin program once a week.

All classes in person, except the following:

- One GED class
- Prime Time Reading program

Summer Plans

Our summer plan is similar to last year, with parents and their children aged 0-5 attending four days a week in June and July. We are in the process of obtaining commitment slips for the summer.

We plan to partner with:

- The Big Garden
- Opera Omaha
- Salvation Army’s Kids Crusin’ Kitchen

Mission Moment

For Teacher Appreciation Week, OneWorld interviewed four of our child learning teachers who were previously center participants. They discussed how their childhood teachers, their ESL and/or GED teachers at the center, and their children’s teachers from the center all inspired them to join the field.



LEARNING COMMUNITY OF DOUGLAS AND SARPY COUNTIES

2022-2024 DISTRICT INITIATIVES SUMMARY SHEET

SUBCOUNCIL 1				
District / Organization Name	Participating Schools	Type of Program	Program Year	Contract Amount for 2022-24
DC West Community Schools	DC West	Extended Learning / Summer	2023-23	\$7,910.31
OPS	Sunny Slope	Instructional Coaching	2022-24	\$126,446.94
Elkhorn Public Schools	Arbor View, Blue Sage, Fire Ridge, Hillrise, Manchester, Sagewood, Skyline, Spring Ridge, West Bay, West Dodge Station, Westridge, Woodbrook	Extended Learning / Summer	2023-23	\$31,178.09
Total Cost:				\$165,535.34
SUBCOUNCIL 3				
District / Organization Name	Participating Schools	Type of Program	Program Year	Contract Amount for 2022/23-25
Completely KIDS	Field Club	Extended Learning / School Year	2022-23	\$40,800.00
OPS	Joslyn	Instructional Coaching	2022-24	\$125,006.34
Ralston Public Schools	Mockingbird, Blumfield, Karen Western, Wildewood, Seymour, Meadows	Instructional Coaching	2022-24	\$56,729.82
Westside Community Schools	Hillside, Paddock Road, Westbrook, Westgate	Instructional Coaching	2022-24	\$92,733.00
Total Cost:				\$315,269.16
SUBCOUNCIL 4				
District / Organization Name	Participating Schools	Type of Program	Program Year	Contract Amount for 2022-24
Millard Public Schools	Holling Heights, Norris, Rockwell	Instructional Coaching	2022-24	\$178,018.46
Total Cost:				\$178,018.46

SUBCOUNCIL 5				
District / Organization Name	Participating Schools	Type of Program	Program Year	Contract Amount for 2022-24
Bellevue Public Schools	Avery, Belleaire, Bertha Barber, Betz, Central, Twin Ridge	Instructional Coaching	2022-24	\$309,000.00
Total Cost:				\$309,000.00
SUBCOUNCIL 6				
District / Organization Name	Participating Schools	Type of Program	Program Year	Contract Amount for 2023-23
Papillion-La Vista School District	LaVista West, G. Stanley Hall, Parkview Heights, Golden Hills, Carriage Hill	Jumpstart to Kindergarten	2022-23	\$94,476.94
Springfield Platteview Community Schools	Springfield, Westmont	Extended Learning / School Year	2022-23	\$6,333.64
Total Cost:				\$100,810.58
TOTAL COST OF ALL PROGRAMS:				\$1,068,633.54