



## Alexander Early Head Start November 2016 Newsletter

### Early Head Start Program Mission:

- To enhance the growth and development of young children
- To support and strengthen healthy family development and well-being
- To promote healthy prenatal outcomes for women who are pregnant
- To serve children with disabilities and their families

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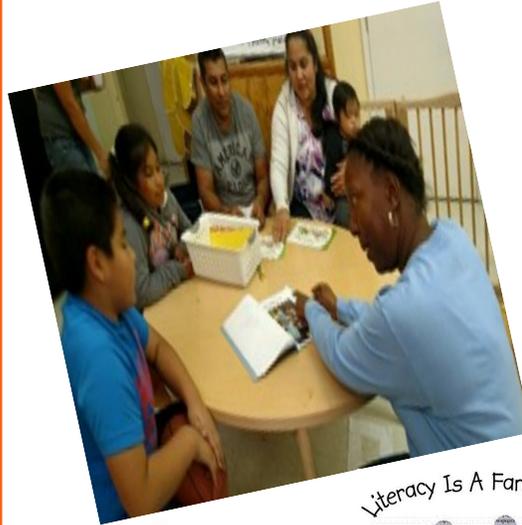
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### Family Literacy Night!

In October, we had an exciting event here at the FRC! Families got together for food, fun and learning. We talked about what we do in our homes to help our children develop a love for reading and how to incorporate literacy in everyday activities. Families had pictures of themselves, magazines and lots of art materials ready to make a "all about us" book together that told their family story. It was so much fun! Watch for the next family night in early 2017!



We will be  
Closed  
Nov 11th,  
Veterans Day



And



November  
24-25  
Thanksgiving

## Literacy at home...

There are lots of ways families can do literacy activities at home through picture books, songs, poetry and storytelling. Learning to love to read starts at an early age and often starts at home. Here are some simple ideas to do at home with your family to promote literacy:

- ♥ Make a special place for your child's books shows your child that books are special and deserve an organized storage place all their own.
- ♥ One of the earliest literacy skills children develop is the concept of sequencing, or telling a story from start to finish in order. One way to practice this skill at home is to create your own picture books, or books without words. Using photos, pictures from magazines or your child's drawings, books can be created and placed in the home library for easy access
- ♥ Visiting the library together is a great way to foster family literacy activities
- ♥ Play simple naming games with your child. You can ask, "What is This?" or "Where is he/she going?"
- ♥ Talk to your child as you do everyday tasks such as sorting the laundry or thinking about what to cook. Explain the piles of laundry, for example, "Here are the dark clothes and here are the white clothes"
- ♥ Read, sing, or say nursery rhymes from your childhood



## Thankful Luncheon...

It's that time of year already! We are busy getting ready for our annual Thankful Luncheon here at the FRC. We are thankful for so many wonderful children and families in our program and community and are excited to celebrate with them. This is a wonderful opportunity to get together with family and friends to share a delicious meal and enjoy time together. We are providing the turkey and stuffing, let us know if you would like to bring a side dish to share. What are you thankful for? We hope to see you there!