

Proud of our Child Care Providers

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The Caswell County Partnership for Children (CCPFC) annually rewards early childhood educators for their academic achievements and encourages their continued commitment to the well-being of young children with **Smart Start Professional Development Incentives**. This year, 22 Incentives were given to early childhood educators throughout Caswell County. Award amounts vary depending on the level of academic achievement and longevity at the same child care program. CCPFC hopes that the Incentives will help these early childhood educators stay within their field, continuing to provide young children with high quality learning experiences.

We know that the **Smart Start Professional Development Incentives** promote a stable and educated child care workforce by encouraging pursuit of higher education, providing increased compensation, and supporting employment longevity. CCPFC would like to recognize our community's early childhood educators by acknowledging their dedication and years of service.

The levels are based on the number of years a provider has served children at the same child care facility. (Note: only those who applied for a Smart Start Professional Development Incentive in 2017 are included below since those were able to have years verified as part of application process.)

Platinum for at least **20 years** or more:

Tara Mansfield for 20 years with NOAH'S EDUCATIONAL ARK

Gold for at least **15 years** or more:

Betsy Neighbors for 19 years with CASWELL COMMUNITY HEAD START

Catherine Barnes for 19 years with CASWELL COMMUNITY HEAD START

Tanya Richmond for 19 years with CASWELL COMMUNITY HEAD START

Terri Henderson for 19 years with CASWELL COMMUNITY HEAD START

Kimberly Harris for 17 years with RAINBOW EDUCATIONAL CHILDCARE CENTER

Katina Turner for 15 years with YANCEYVILLE EARLY HEAD START

Silver for at least **10 years** or more:

Shirlene McLaughlin for 14 years with YANCEYVILLE EARLY HEAD START

Carla Jefferies for 12 years with YANCEYVILLE EARLY HEAD START

Ruby Dennis for 12 years with CASWELL COMMUNITY HEAD START

Loria Slade for 11 years with YANCEYVILLE EARLY HEAD START

Nancy Johnston for 10 years with CASWELL COMMUNITY HEAD START

Chrisy Smith for 10 years with RAINBOW EDUCATIONAL CHILDCARE CENTER

Bronze for at least **5 years** or more:

Sheree Fuquay for 9 years with SOUTH ELEMENTARY PRESCHOOL CLASSROOM

Tyshia McCain for 5 years with YANCEYVILLE EARLY HEAD START

In addition, thank you to the following teachers who served at least **4 years** in the NC Pre-K Program:

Mary Beth Griffin with OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY PRESCHOOL CLASSROOM

Velvet Hughes with SOUTH ELEMENTARY PRESCHOOL CLASSROOM

Rhonda Thompson with OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY PRESCHOOL CLASSROOM

The early childhood educators that received an Incentive represent the following **seven sites**, averaging **10 years** of service, earning **45 college credits**, and with Incentives averaging over **\$2,500** per person!

CASWELL COMMUNITY HEAD START: 7

NOAH'S EDUCATIONAL ARK: 1

NORTH ELEMENTARY PRESCHOOL
CLASSROOM: 1

OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY PRESCHOOL CLASSROOM: 2

RAINBOW EDUCATIONAL CHILDCARE CENTER: 2

SOUTH ELEMENTARY PRESCHOOL CLASSROOM: 2

YANCEYVILLE EARLY HEAD START: 7

Incentive applications for 2018 will be available in the Fall 2017 at www.caswellchildren.org.



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