

ENROLLMENT

Age Group	Capacity	Current	Openings	Oct FTE	FTE Needed Budget
Toddlers 1-2 yr olds	18	17	1 opening (1 will be moving up this by the end of the year, 1 starting Dec 2)	17	15.3
Preschool/ Daycare 3-5 yr olds	30	29	0 - 1 will be moving end of Dec or when potty trained	27	25.5
School Age K-5 th grade	30	31	0		
Total	78	76			

FINANCES

Income: We thought our toddler room was full but we had a foster child who left to live back with his mom and another enrollment fell through. However, we do a child returning to the one year old room the beginning of December.

Expense:

- Playground—we added 3 truckloads of woodchips, one of our parents rented a bobcat and moved all the woodchips for us
- \$12000 was spent on security cameras that was not in the budget for 2019, end of 2018 we said we'd use the surplus from 2018 to pay for the cameras
- We had one teacher leave but were able to shift our staff around to be able to fill it from within and not need to hire another teacher. This will help our finances starting in November
- We are using towels with bleach water to wipe tables instead of paper towels. We also are using baby wash clothes in place of wipes for cleanup after lunch. It will create a bit more laundry but it reduces waste and cost in the long run.
- See budget and attached budget notes.
- Megan and I have been do more covering when staff are gone instead of calling in additional staff to help control cost.

HOW YOU CAN PRAY

- God would send families to fill our open spots in our 1 yr old rooms
- We've been working primarily in our school program on the impact of our words, showing kindness and being assertive with peers. Pray that the children would take these lessons to heart and work together to make Good News a positive place for everyone!
- Transition with Alyce and Mary's position.
- One of our teachers, who is single has just agreed to become Guardian for undefined amount of time for her 18 month old niece.

Updates

- Praise - JoAnn MIsna (our 4 year old teacher) had flooding in their home. They are back in their home and needed to replace the duct work and insulation but have that completed and are happy to be back to normal routines.
- My husband, Matt (mental illness) is mentally stable and back to himself. He is struggling to find a job. He had some good leads but all have fallen through for various reasons. **Please pray for Matt's confidence** and that he would provide the right job at the right time. For me that **I have the strength to encourage and support him.** We have come a long way, we just have this last major hurdle of a job.

CELEBRATIONS

- Two Children's Center families, not connected to Good News church attend the Playtivity with the GN Children's Ministry
- Planning our Christmas Program, Don't Forget the Manger, written by Casi Smith our school age teacher. The kids are so excited to start practicing.
- We have had a couple kids who have struggled with behaviors and as we have strategized we realized what they were really craving was personalized attention. We have seen distinct improvement just by seeking them out by holding their hand when walking in line, taking them on our lap and reading a book that he/she picked out, sitting beside them at lunch, just the little things.
- Visit from a child and her mom on the last no school day that is now in 6th grade. She stopped to say hi and is planning to attend the Christmas Program. It is always fun to stay connected with families that have moved on.
- 2nd-5th grades sang patriotic songs for the residents at Southridge and then played bingo with them. Everyone had a great time.

Focus for Nov/Dec

- Prepare transition to Brightwheel billing
- Prepare for summer enrollment
- Publish 2020 rates and update all the places that information is found
- Christmas Program
- In house training plan 2020
- Team Meeting Training Guides