## FINAL SELF ASSESSMENT REPORT AND CORRECTION PLAN January 12, 2024

## Process

Representatives from all sectors of SHS, including the Board of Directors and Policy Council, met on January 12, 2024 for the annual Program Self-Assessment. Data summary sets from the following areas were prepared for the team:

Group 1. School Readiness

• Team Leaders: Child Development Managers Tessa Buell and Christina Knowles

Group 2. Family Outcomes

- Team Leader: Family Services Manager Diane Hacker
- Group 3. Staff Retention
  - Team Leader: Human Resources Manager Kaylee Cambra
- Group 4. Dental and Health
  - Team Leader: Health Manager Kevyn Odenbach
- Group 5. Recruitment/Enrollment
  - Team Leader: Enrollment Coordinator Tracy Snow
- Group 6. Disabilities/Mental Health
  - Team Leader: Disabilities & Mental Health Services Manager Jess Dennis

Team members participated in an overall orientation given by the Executive Director, Gordon Chatham, about the purpose of Self-Assessment, an overview of the agency's 5-year goals, and the process that would be followed. All teams were overseen by Gordon Chatham.

Each participant chose a group to work in depending on their interest. The team leaders guided the group discussion by asking the following questions: What are the strengths in this program area? What are the concerns/areas of improvement needed? What are the group's recommendations to strengthen this area?

Group 1: School Readiness			
Strengths:	Concerns:	Recommendations:	
<ol> <li>High numbers of children receiving Fall &amp; Spring DRDP. Kids staying whole year.</li> <li>Preschool children showed consistent gains in all domains - about 40%.</li> <li>Preschool - large gains in phonological awareness, including letter and word knowledge.</li> <li>Children are making gains in Social Emotional Development - even with lower entry %.</li> <li>The measures that tend to represent the challenging behaviors are ending with high gains.</li> <li>In person trainings are helping teaching staff to take more away from trainings.</li> <li>Huge growth in motor development and approaches to learning.</li> <li>Steady increase in gains for social &amp; emotional development.</li> <li>Language &amp; literacy good gains from Fall to Spring.</li> <li>Significant increases in symbolic sociodramatic and social and emotional understanding. SE4 came in really high (66%) and made gains to 95%.</li> <li>Spatial relationships &amp; classification had high gains.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>TK impacting numbers of children enrolled / reduction of slots.</li> <li>Looking at where children are in, in regard to SE → the BIR / BOR process to get classroom support seems lengthy - up to 6 weeks.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Continue to educate SHS parents and community on benefits of SHS vs. TK.</li> <li>Keep working on social emotional development - through implementing TP &amp; looking at techniques to implement conscious discipline.</li> <li>Strengthen goal for 90% of new staff to complete Teaching Pyramid learning path and work to meet 90% goal - objective 1 - goal 1.</li> <li>Continue training in language &amp; literacy to achieve even higher outcomes.</li> <li>Find ways to encourage parents to complete parent/child activity records.</li> </ol>	
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Group 2: Family Outcomes			
Strengths:	Concerns:	Recommendations:	
<ol> <li>Documentation of resources provided.</li> <li>Individualization with every child and family.</li> <li>Goals / Follow-ups with every family.</li> <li>Family Services providing trainings.</li> <li>Lack of abandoned goals (low percentage, 3%).</li> <li>Families are more likely to continue positive outcomes when they have our support.</li> <li>More than half of goals were completed by families.</li> <li>The amount of community events &amp; opportunities to be a part of their community in different ways.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Increase parent engagement (i.e. parent volunteers, father engagement).</li> <li>Lack of Learning Genie usage by parents.</li> <li>Male role model lacking.</li> <li>Low parent attendance for Parenting Groups / Meetings.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Adding father involvement to Family outcome information.</li> <li>Documentation of ALL resources provided (by classroom staff as well).</li> <li>Provide more opportunities for male involvement.</li> <li>Male staff participation in classrooms (pancake breakfast, royal reader, etc.).</li> </ol>	
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Strengths:	3: Staff Retention Concerns:	Recommendations:
<ol> <li>In person new hire orientation, updated presentation which helps provide connection.</li> <li>Receiving more qualified/quality applicants, due to wage increases &amp; offering sign on bonus (ability to choose between candidates).</li> <li>Faster moving onboarding process, in person paperwork (one of the strategies).</li> <li>HR is fully staffed, getting trained, and eager to learn.</li> <li>Fully staffed and over staffed.</li> <li>SOP Portal (recommendation updating the interface).</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Collaboration to implement Learning Paths.</li> <li>Update interview questions with subject matter experts (time how to)</li> <li>Balancing the overstaff, over hiring</li> <li>Learning management is access which is difficult to manage (no supervisor access).</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Learning path checklist, get experienced staff to participate.</li> <li>Implementing a learning management system, which can lead to better trained staff and staff buy in (Paycom).</li> <li>HRTDC attending trainings for all departments to better understand.</li> <li>Implement stay / exit interviews.</li> <li>Provide community event to promote SHS + ECE - go into classrooms.</li> </ol>

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Group 4: Dental and Health		
Strengths:	Concerns:	Recommendations:
<ol> <li>Current long-standing collaboration with Shasta Community Dental</li> <li>Dental Clinics and collaboration with SCD and Hill County Dental</li> <li>Increased number of dental clinics with SCD for the 23/24 year</li> <li>Family Workers assist parents with the medical and dental processes and completing requirements.</li> <li>Bi-lingual aids are available to support parents, bi-lingual forms are also available.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Difficult to get established with a dentist in Siskiyou County</li> <li>Long waiting periods to be seen by a dentist, appts scheduled months out.</li> <li>Large amounts of paperwork to be seen is a challenge for parents.</li> <li>Dental Clinic hours that are offered is difficult for working parent to get to</li> <li>General lack of pediatric dentist in the remote areas</li> <li>Children may be absent on the days that Lion's Club or Hill Country come to the center.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Look for new strategies to work with and engage parents.</li> <li>Incorporate filling out paperwork into Parent Conference Meeting and/or first Home Visit, use this time to talk about requirements.</li> <li>Plan a "dental/health week" into classroom activities, schedule this in advance and engage classroom staff.</li> <li>Current health events are a good opportunity to talk to parents.</li> <li>Lead recalls on products and food are a good time to stress the importance of lead testing.</li> <li>Provide local transportation to dental clinics, and medical</li> </ol>
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Group 5: Child and Family Recruitment		
Strengths:	Concerns:	Recommendations:
<ol> <li>Low drop rate for unsatisfied with program.</li> <li>Our highest referral sources are friends and family / past &amp; current parents.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Improve percentage of DocuSign applications to completion.</li> <li>Reader friendly view of breakdown of data.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Add comparison years for DocuSign.</li> <li>Continue to look for ways to recruit.</li> <li>Make data more reader friendly with more details of where the need is coming from (example: zip codes, EHS vs HS).</li> </ol>
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Group 6: Disabilities / Mental Health			
Strengths:	Concerns:	Recommendations:	
<ol> <li>Family dynamics survey completed by Mental Health Specialist with all families of children in PBS process. Data is being collected and analyzed.</li> <li>IEP/IFSP enrollment meets and exceeds minimum requirements.</li> <li>Providing lots of staff training through Teaching Pyramid and additional workshops.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Increasing numbers of behavior/mental health referrals</li> <li>How does selection process balance and address identified and unidentified children with behavior/mental health, IEP/IFSP, additional factors?</li> <li>Staff wellness and how it impacts the classroom and perceptions of child behavior.</li> <li>Lack of parent engagement - Parents are required to attend a lot of meetings (HV, Conferences and additional meetings when referred)</li> <li>Writing BOR/BIR is challenging for some staff (no time or they feel they are managing the behavior) so they are not doing them.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Complete staff wellness survey and identify who is responsible for leading staff wellness efforts.</li> <li>Provide more training on communication - including difficult conversations with co-workers and parents, connecting with others to establish common goals,</li> <li>Set a standing agenda item around communication on monthly site meetings.</li> <li>Solicit feedback from teachers and parents who have children with BIR/BORs and PBS plans this year.</li> <li>Evaluate how to balance and support parent needs for full day as well as strategies to support quality in full day classrooms (teacher planning and team communication time).</li> <li>Identify classrooms or teaching teams that are doing well and find ways to share and duplicate what they are doing.</li> <li>Consider presenting certain data sets as percentages to compare across years.</li> <li>Consider ways to combine parent meetings or reduce multiple meetings about the same topic.</li> </ol>	

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