GRREC is submitting an **Early Head Start grant proposal** to fund the creation or expansion of Early Head Starts within a school district. **Early Head Start** is for infants and toddlers (birth to 3rdbirthday) and to support their expectant moms. Simpson County Schools would like to participate in this grant program.

Benefits

- -- The Money. We will prorate funds based on the number of new slots/beds for infants and toddlers, but most districts will receive \$100,000-130,000 per year for five years. We are early in this process, but we base that on a per-child rate of \$10,000-13,000. That is, if you expand your childcare center by 10 infants and toddlers, we estimate you would receive \$100,000. If you expand by 20 slots, the amount would be \$200,000 per year. More slots = more money.
- -- Early Head Start sets the highest standards that are in the past interest of infants, toddlers, and expectant moms. The EHS protocols protect our youngest children, particularly as compared to typical childcare centers, and prepare young children educationally for your local or school-based preschool centers.
- -- Funding is available in Year 1 of the 5-year-project for **facility improvements**, **materials/resources**, **and more**.
- -- Funding in years 2-5 would fund staff, materials, professional learning, and more.
- -- GRREC would provide funding to you as a subaward; that is, we would contract with you based on our agreed-upon parameters, but your site would make its own decisions, hire its staff, etc. GRREC will serve as the monitor and technical assistance provider over the five years. Our team would support you as you shift from existing systems to the federal EHS requirements and hire additional staff.
- -- Each district/center will have its own district/center plan to meet children's needs.

Responsibilities of the project (briefly)

- -- Matching funds of 20-30% of the total grant award. **However**, we believe your CCAP reimbursement from the state will provide the bulk of that.
- -- Complying with the Early Head Start rules for your entire center -- not just the expanded childcare slots. That is, all staff will receive ongoing training; facilities will have to meet the EHS norms, including the use of the EHS curriculum.
- -- Hiring and supervising employees. Again, GRREC will support, but any staff you hire will be your staff and managed by you.
- -- Signing an MOU to be supported, monitored, and evaluated by GRREC.

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Principal, Franklin Elementary

| Weekly Revenue at 100% Capacity | At \$10k per child At \$13k per child | 13k per child |
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| EHS Rooms (including CCAP Reimbursement) | 8009 | 6875 |
| Weekly Salaries/Fringes | | |
| Director Position Weekly Salary | 989 | 989 |
| 7.5 Avg Employees at \$12 per hour avg. | 3600 | 3600 |
| Fringes | 096 | 096 |
| Subs | 225 | 225 |
| Total Salary/Fringes | 5471 | 5471 |
| Other Expenses | | |
| Food | 250 | 250 |
| Office Supplies | 200 | 200 |
| Total Other Expenses | 450 | 450 |
| Total Expenses | 5921 | 5921 |
| Revenue Less Expenses | 87 | 954 |