

Annual Report

FY 22 – July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

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Letter From Executive Director

Dear Friend,

More than half a century ago, twenty-seven area faith communities organized the Falls Church-McLean Children's Center in response to news about children being left at home alone or in cars because of the lack of affordable childcare. Concerned about the plight of working parents and the welfare of their children, these volunteers established the Center with the mission of providing quality care to all children, regardless of families' income. Today, our mission remains the same, and we reserve half of our enrollment space for the children of low-income working families. **Through the years our goal has not wavered: to prepare each of our children to enter kindergarten with age-appropriate skills, ready to succeed.**



Hallye Smith, Executive Director

Over the last few years, every family, every organization, and every school faced unprecedented challenges due to COVID-19. Falls Church-McLean Children's Center was not spared from many of the pandemic's effects, but we were able to reopen earlier than other programs in the area because of the resilience and perseverance of our families, our teachers, staff, and community supporters. During the 2021-2022 school year we "turned the leaf" as we move beyond the pandemic and life started to return to a greater level of predictability. We were able to reach the full capacity of children during this time as well as continuing our mission of fifty percent enrollment space for the children of low-income working families. It was an exciting time last April when we made the decision to start field trips again. It was pure excitement from the students and teachers.

When I think about a leaf and "turning the leaf" to observe the details that makeup such wonder and beauty of nature, I observe the uniqueness that each leaf has and the veins that allow it to survive and flourish. The parts of the leaf are significant and symbolic to Falls Church McLean Children's Center in numerous ways, especially as we start our new normal after the pandemic:

Letter From Executive Director

Every leaf is unique.

Every individual who contributes to our center as a student, parent, employee, donor, and volunteer has left their unique attributes to our center. We have been able to flourish since 1968 because of everyone's contributions.

The veins of the leaf symbolize how our program has survived since 1968 and flourished.

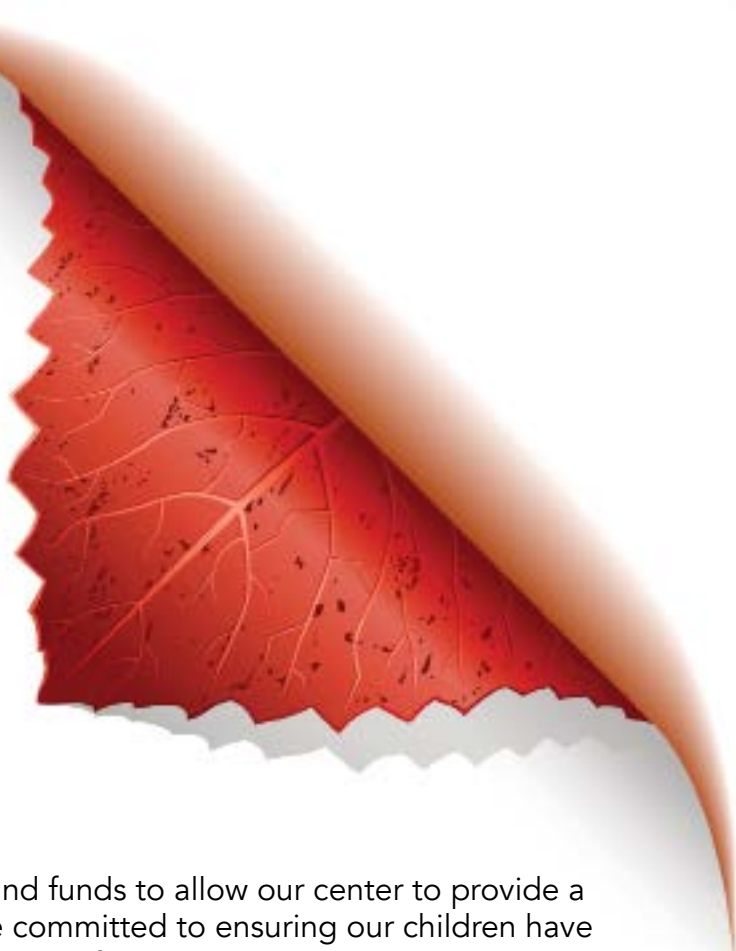
The individuals and organizations contribute their time and funds to allow our center to provide a high-quality early childhood education. The teachers are committed to ensuring our children have the skills to help them prepare for the future. Our bus driver safely transports our children to the wonderful museums, botanical gardens, and parks in our area. The families who entrust us with their children and the children who leave our center to make the world a better place.

Some leaves stay green and some change colors with the seasons.

Our mission has not wavered since 1968, but we are always striving to ensure high-quality early childhood education through research and professional development. We have donors who have been with us from the beginning and ones that have joined in partnering with us over the past year. We are committed to ensuring every child enters kindergarten with age-appropriate skills, ready to succeed. Without your support, we would not be able to fulfill our mission. We are humbled and grateful that you have trusted us with the task.

Sincerely,

Hallye Smith
Executive Director



Grants

Grant funding is often an important source of revenue to build and sustain programs and services that are part of an organization's mission focus. This funding usually does not have to be repaid, and the non profit is able to use other sources of revenue (for example, a school receiving tuition and fees) on necessary overhead and operational costs.

Falls Church McLean Children's Center has been fortunate to receive grant support for many years. In fact, a majority of the contributed revenue on an annual basis is provided by grantors.

We are deeply grateful to the following organizations for their tremendous support and look forward to a continuing partnership for the benefit of our children and the broader community:

Ada & Albert Wibel Fund

ARPA

Battelle Grant

Falls Church Endowment

Fairfax County Government (Consolidated Funding Pool)

McLean Rotary Club

Nino Vaghi Foundation

The O'Shaughnessy-Hurst Memorial Foundation

At A Glance

- 80 students, ages 2-5 enrolled in the Children's Center, despite the impact of COVID-19
- 88% of children who graduated met kindergarten readiness expectations
- Fighting food insecurity with nearly 3,000 breakfasts, over 10,500 hot lunches, and more than 21,000 nutritious morning and afternoon snacks
- Onsite vision and hearing screenings and speech and behavior intervention



Fall Festival

Due in part to continued COVID-19 concerns, and to build upon the success of bringing children, parents and community members together despite challenging times, we held our second annual outdoor fall festival at the Center. All who attended had a great time and this event is something we look forward to continuing for years to come!

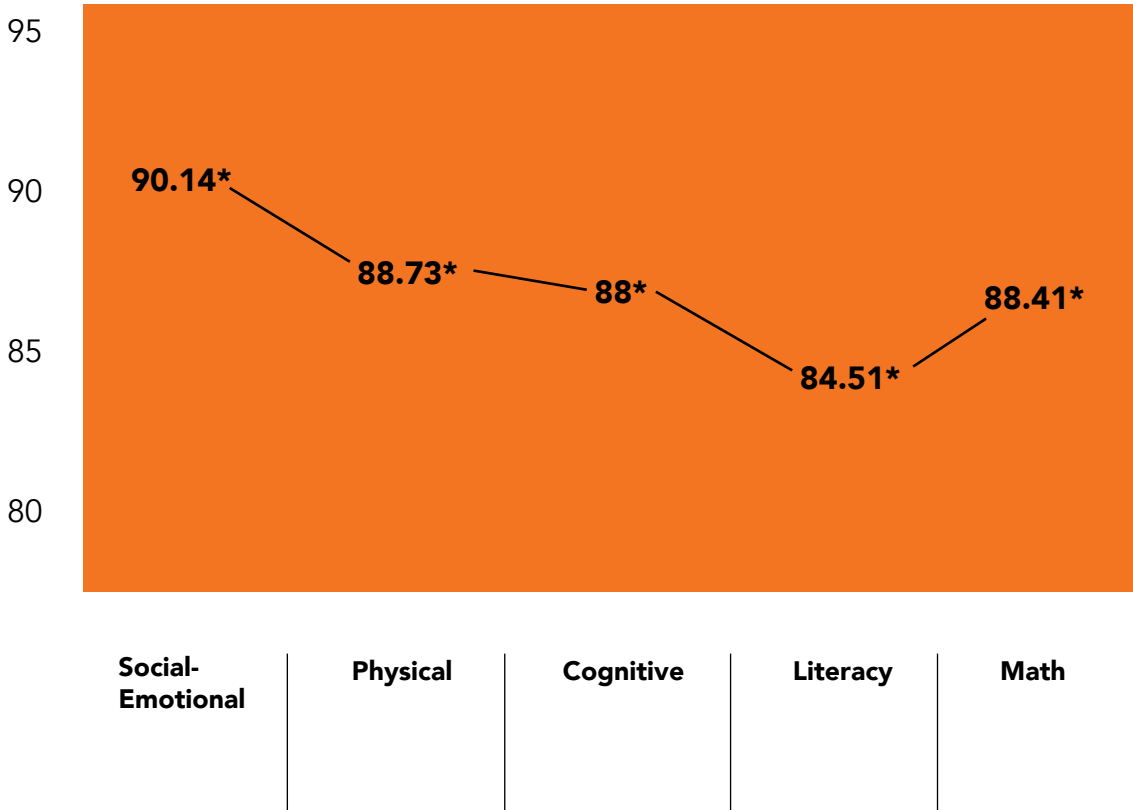


Fall Festival



2022 Spring Whole School Snapshot

Percentage



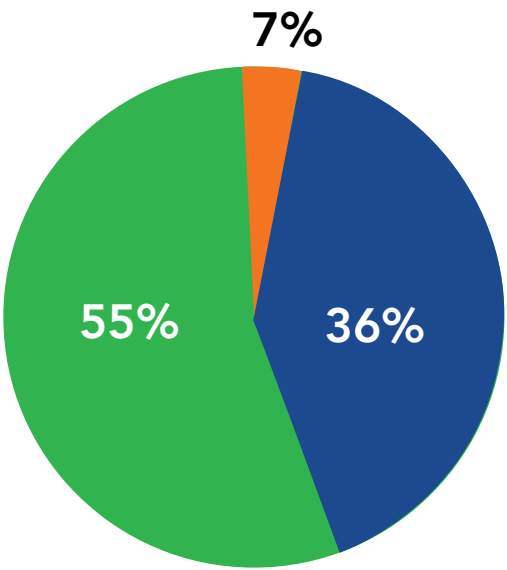
***meet or exceed expectations.**
Above percentages reflect the total 2022 school enrollment.

FY 2022 Financial Statement

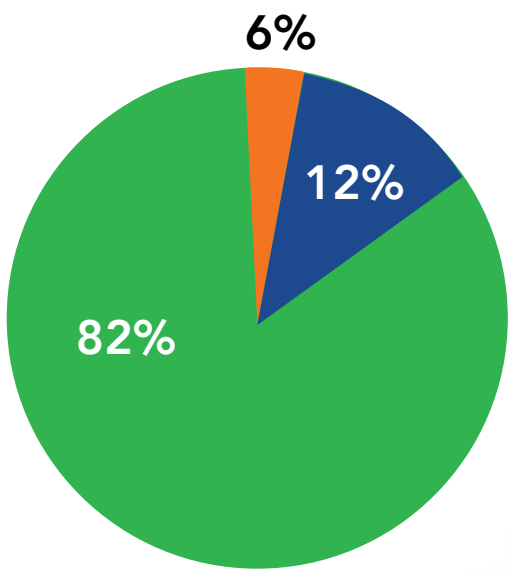
Revenue - \$2.2M
Government - \$1.2M
Tuition - \$782K
Contributions - \$147K
Investment - \$4K

Expenses - \$1.3M
Program - \$1.065M
Management - \$168K
Fundraising - \$83K

Revenue
Government 55%
Tuition 36%
Contributions 7%



Expenses
Program 82%
Management 12%
Fundraising 6%



Teacher Appreciation Week

The students were provided the opportunity to visit the flower shop to design and create flower arrangements for their teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week.



Reading is Fundamental



We greatly appreciate our partnership with New Dominion Women's Club and Reading is Fundamental of NOVA. Thank you for providing books to allow our students to build print-rich libraries in their homes. Literacy development is one of the key factors for kindergarten readiness and success.



Community Partnerships

Local children’s author Sharon Brown visited our center and shared a special reading for her new book Heart of Gold which she co-wrote with her daughter Heather Johnson. Books for the center were purchased by the O’Shaughnessy Memorial Trust.



Community Partnerships

Falls Church-McLean Children’s Center is honored to be recognized in Madeira’s publication for our partnership in their Co-Curriculum program. Madeira and FCMLCC have been partners since 1974.



Falls Church McLean Children’s Center thanks Keller Williams Realty for their extraordinary support! Their Red Day giving back program raised more than \$20,000 for our school.



A big shout out to the Junior League of Northern Virginia for supporting our Healthy Me program. We are ready to get to work planting in our gardens!



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