



# WSU Early Childhood Centers

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- **Wayne State University has two early childhood centers on its campus.**
  - **College of Education Early Childhood Center (COE-ECC) has two classrooms serving 32 – 36 children and is located at 4500 Cass Ave. in the University Tower Apartment Building.**
  - **Merrill Palmer Skillman Institute Early Childhood Center has three classrooms serving 50 – 58 children and is located at 87 E. Ferry in the Knapp Building.**
- **Both centers offer preschool programs for 2½ to 5-year-olds with options for before- and after-school care from September – May.**

# COE-ECC – Background Information

- COE-ECC was established in 1957 as a teacher preparation center and research site for the College of Education.
- COE-ECC and MPSI-ECC are among only a few university lab schools located in an urban setting and serving urban children and their families.
- COE-ECC is a demonstration site for best practices.
- Students in Elementary/Early Childhood Education do a required semester of student teaching at the center as part of their teacher preparation and teacher certification requirement.
- This experience prepares students to work with urban children and their families.

## **MPSI-ECC – Background Information**

- **MPSI-ECC was established in 1922 and has a long history as a nationally recognized site for research on family and children development.**
- **MPSI-ECC was the second nursery school opened in the nation.**
- **In 1942, MPSI published its groundbreaking text on physical and emotional development in young children.**
- **MPSI-ECC is a demonstration site for best practices.**



# High-Quality Programs



- Both centers are NAEYC Accredited Programs; 2 of only 4 in Detroit.
- Both centers have a 5 STAR rating in the Michigan Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS); 2 of only 3 in Detroit.

# Service

- COE-ECC and MPSI-ECC are two of the field experience sites for College of Education service learning students enrolled in TED 2250 “Becoming an Urban Educator” who are required to do 40 hours of service learning.
- Both centers serve as field sites for WSU students in psychology, pediatrics, speech and language, occupational therapy, etc.
- The centers are used as observation sites for assignments in WSU education and psychology courses.
- Both centers employ WSU student assistants.



## Training at the ECCs in FY 2014

|   | MPSI-ECC  | COE-ECC    |
|---|-----------|------------|
| COE Early Childhood Education Student Teachers      |           | 13         |
| COE Service Learning Students                       | 12        | 22         |
| Observations for ELE 6020                           | 2         | 28         |
| Observations for ELE 6340                           |           | 12         |
| Observations for ELE 6100                           |           | 23         |
| Observations for ELE 2250                           |           | 1          |
| WSU Speech & Language Students                      | 3         |            |
| WSU Physical Therapy Students                       | 34        |            |
| WSU Pediatric Nursing Students                      | 15        | 10         |
| Training for Excellent Schools Detroit Team Leaders |           | 20         |
| <b><i>TOTAL</i></b>                                 | <b>66</b> | <b>135</b> |

# Community Engagement

- **COE-ECC and MPSI-ECC serve as demonstration sites for the early childhood community.**
- **Other child care programs and community agencies in the tri-county area and beyond visit our centers to observe best practices in action:**
  - **DPS Early Childhood Assistant Teachers**
  - **ESD Team Leaders for the Preschool Scorecard**
  - **United Way of Southeastern Michigan QRIS Consultants and Specialists**



# Community Engagement:

## Woodward Corridor Early Childhood Consortium

- The Consortium is comprised of directors from 20 child care centers, WSU faculty, and representatives from 10 community partners.
- Goals of the Consortium are to enhance early childhood education in the Midtown, Downtown and North End neighborhoods of Detroit by:
  - Establishing collaborative relationships among Consortium members, community partners and university colleagues.
  - Providing professional development for center directors, teachers and staff.
  - Supporting implementation of best practices in early childhood education.
  - Supporting implementation of parent education programs.
  - Facilitating access to resources.
- Coaching/Mentoring Project
- COE-ECC and MPSI-ECC serve as leaders in best practices and demonstration sites for members of the Consortium.

# Research

- **There has been an increased interest across campus from students and faculty in conducting research at COE-ECC and MPSI-ECC.**
- **Pilot Evaluation of a Mobile Immunization Information System for Infants, Children and Adults – Dr. Paul Kilgore, MPH, MD**
- **An Examination of Parents Advice and Help-Seeking through a Brief Survey – Dr. Lucy McGoron**
- **Toddlers' Emotional Development in Young Families – Dr. Erika Bocknek**
- **Baby on Board: The Wayne State University Early Parenting Study – Dr. Carolyn Dayton**





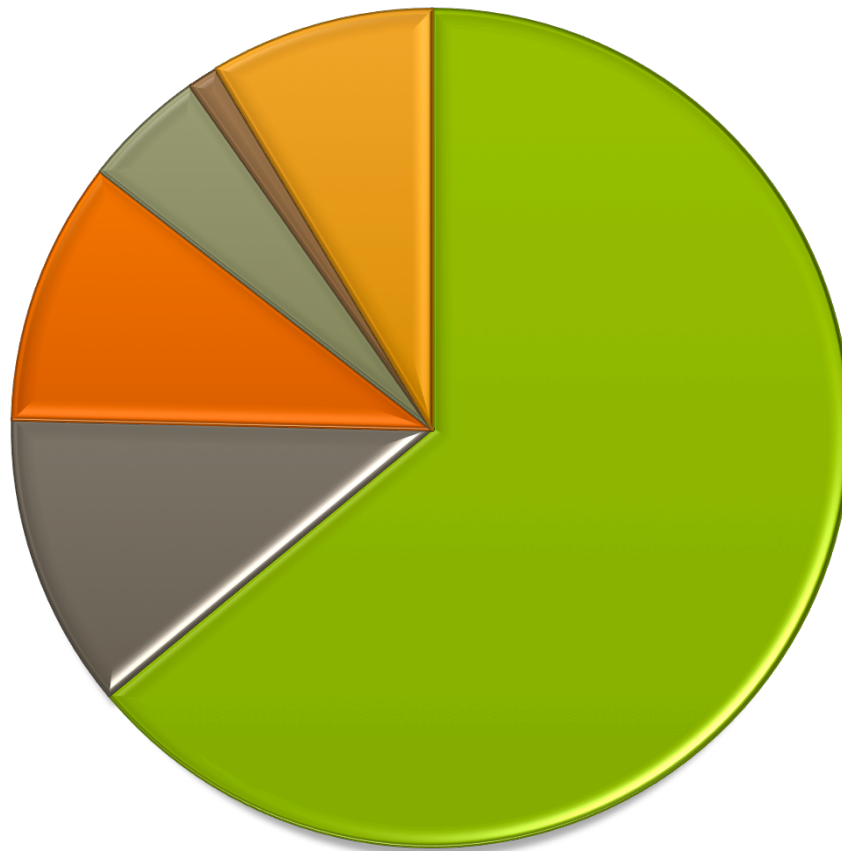
# Funding

- Michigan Department of Education Great Start Readiness Program Grant (GSRP)
- U.S. Department of Education Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS)
- Tuition from families who do not qualify for the grants
- COE-ECC:
  - 24 GSRP, 4 CCAMPIS, and 4 FTE Tuition = 32 FTE Slots
- MPSI-ECC:
  - 9 GSRP, 24 CCAMPIS, and 17 FTE Tuition = 50 FTE Slots
- All operational costs and salaries for center staff are covered under the revenue from the grants, tuition, and donations with the exception of the salaries for the center directors and the executive director.

# Children Enrolled

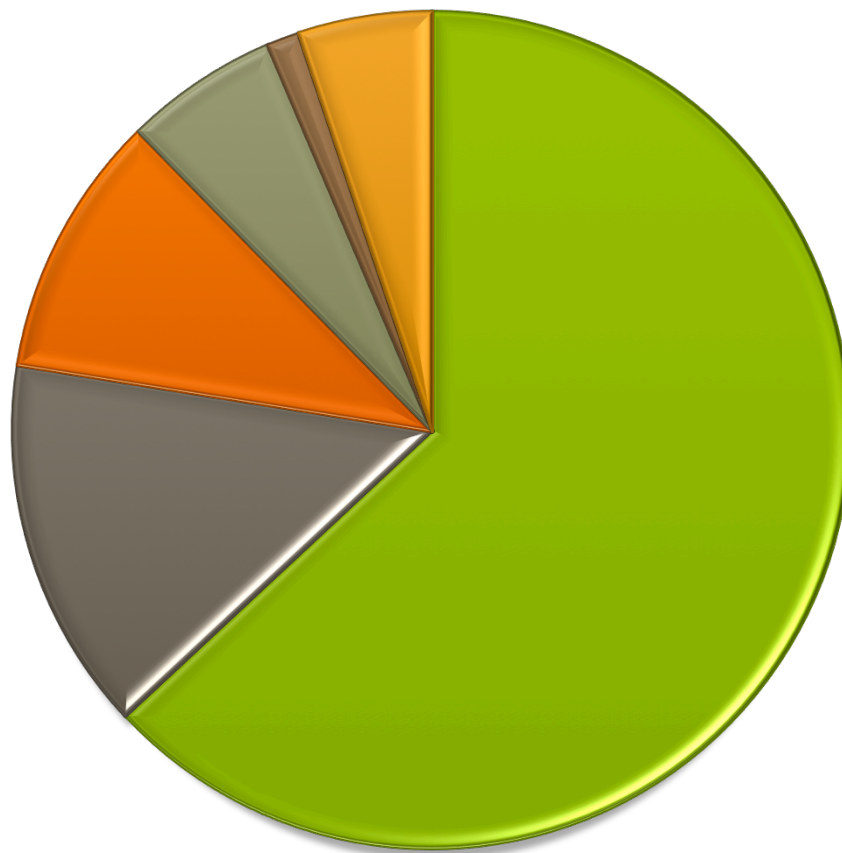
|                       | MPSI-ECC | COE-ECC |           |
|-----------------------|----------|---------|-----------|
| <b>FY 2013</b>        |          |         |           |
| GSRP                  | 9        | 24      |           |
| CCAMPIS               | 24       | 4       |           |
| Tuition               | 25       | 4       |           |
| <i>Total</i>          | 58       | 32      |           |
| <i>Combined TOTAL</i> |          |         | <b>90</b> |
| <b>FY 2014</b>        |          |         |           |
| GSRP                  | 9        | 24      |           |
| CCAMPIS               | 24       | 4       |           |
| Tuition               | 25       | 5       |           |
|                       | 58       | 33      |           |
| <i>Combined TOTAL</i> |          |         | <b>91</b> |
| <b>FY 2015</b>        |          |         |           |
| GSRP                  | 9        | 24      |           |
| CCAMPIS               | 24       | 4       |           |
| Tuition               | 23       | 5       |           |
|                       | 56       | 33      |           |
| <i>Combined TOTAL</i> |          |         | <b>89</b> |

# COE-ECC Operating Expenses FY 2014 – \$256,805



- Salaries
- Fringes
- Food Program
- Classroom Supplies
- Parent Education
- All Other Expenses

# MPSI-ECC Operating Expenses FY 2014 – \$394,839



- Salaries
- Fringes
- Food Program
- Classroom Supplies & Materials
- Parent Education
- All Other Expenses