

Dallas County



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Year Program Started	2008
Number of Families Served in 2009/2010	38
Number of Children Served in 2009/2010	40
Number in the 5-Year-Old Program 09/10	3
Number in the 4-Year-Old Program 09/10	13
Number in the 3-Year-Old Program 09/10	25
Number of Coordinators	1
Number of Parent Educators	2
Number of Areas(Neighborhoods) Served	6
Areas Served	Orrville, Marion Junction, Valley Grande, Plantersville, Sardis, and Selma
Number of Schools Served	2
Schools Served	Brantley Elementary & J.E. Terry Elementary
Number of Students Tested in 2008/2009	34
Percentage of Students that Passed 08/09	98%

Program Overview

The Dallas County HIPPY program is operated through the Dallas County School System, where it is located in Selma, Alabama. The program began in January 2008, with one coordinator and three parent educators. The program serves three zones within the Dallas County School System, the northern, western, and southern zone. Within these zones are the rural towns of Orrville, Marion Junction, Valley Grande, Plantersville, Sardis, and Selma, all of which HIPPY serves.

Our HIPPY program has been well received by parents in the areas we serve in Dallas County. Most of these areas are very rural with families that lack transportation in obtaining educational materials to help their children prepare for kindergarten. Kindergarten teachers in the school system have embraced this program because of the preparation of their HIPPY students.

Collaborative Partnerships	Orrville City Council, Dallas County Board of Education, Cooperative Extension Agency, and Dallas County Commission
Funding Sources	Alabama Department of Education

HIPPY Success Stories from Dallas County

Parent, Geraldine Johnson

I am a Grandmother that is helping my daughter raise her three year old son, Javeion. Even though he is enrolled in another educational program, I didn't feel that he was learning the necessary skills to be ready for kindergarten. I heard about HIPPY on the radio and made contact to get my grandson enrolled in the program.

What I like best about the HIPPY program is the way the weekly packet is set up. It gives me something to do with Javeion every day. What he enjoys best about the program are the storybooks and the cooking activities.

After several weeks in the program I could see the improvement my grandson was making in writing, remembering, and following directions.

Parent, Evangeline McGee

Nona Brown has a four year old in the program. His name is Jordan. Mrs. Brown expressed with me that she has always scheduled time in the day for Jordan to do learning activities. Having HIPPY weekly packets in her home has given her a way to make learning fun; and to spend quality time with her son.

