

## Serving Florida Since 1985

- HIPPY is a parent engagement program that works cooperatively with Head Start and VPK programs to prepare families for school.
- Our home visitors work with parents for 1 hour each week over 30 weeks and organize 6 or more group meetings over that time.
- We provide free curriculum, books, and materials and use the HIPPY role-play method to share instructional strategies with parents.
- 100% of the Florida State funding supports TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) eligible families, although 31% of HIPPY participants are supported through alternative funding sources.

## Nurturing Home Visitors

- HIPPY is a recognized model of workforce development.
- 50% of HIPPY Home Visitors were formerly parent participants nationally.
- Home Visitors live in the communities they serve, are welcomed into homes, and connect families with needed resources.



## Preparing Children for School

Compared to a matched sample, HIPPY children were...

- Almost twice as likely to pass kindergarten readiness assessments.
- 5 times more likely to be promoted to the first grade.
- Experiencing positive benefits through 3rd grade in test scores, attendance and promotions.



## Engaging Parents as Teachers

- Parents work with their children at a designated time and space in the home 5 days per week over 30 weeks.
- After 25 weeks of participation...
  - » 95.9% of HIPPY parents read to their children 3 or more times per week, an increase of 57% and statistically significant.
  - » 68% of HIPPY parents increased the quantity and quality of their educational parent-child interactions, an increase of 21% and statistically significant.

