

FANNIE BATTLE

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Teaching Children. Empowering Families. Strengthening the Community.

Our mission is to provide accessible and affordable high-quality childcare while empowering families to reach their fullest potential.

2018-19 Year in Review



Melanie Shinbaum (right)
pictured with FBDH treasurer,
Renee Chevalier (left)

Friend of Fannie Battle:

While affordable, accessible, and high-quality child care grows increasingly difficult to obtain for families of any income level, we have an amazing community comprised of funders, corporate partners, government agencies, individuals, and other nonprofit organizations committed to working together to tackle these issues.

And this is something we just could not accomplish without our amazing staff and board of whom I could not be more proud to work alongside. As we move into the future, Fannie Battle Day Home continues to develop innovative solutions to expand our capacity to support our growing community.

Sincerely,

Melanie Shinbaum

Melanie Shinbaum
Executive Director



This year we...



Piloted a new program with local charter schools

In an effort to retain many of their talented teachers, directors from East End Prep and Nashville Classical Charter School, schools where many of our current students currently or will attend, reached out to us to discuss possible solutions.

The pilot classroom, dedicated solely to their educators, aligns with the schools' schedules to help control costs and offers the same high-quality and affordable care provided to all families at Fannie Battle.

This partnership is a perfect opportunity to meet our mission of serving more families in our growing city. We believe this collaborative work can make drastic and long-term changes in our educational system.

Recent research on brain development shows that 90 percent of a child's brain is developed by age 4.

Continued our dedication to providing high-quality care

Research-Based Curriculum

For over a decade, our preschool and pre-k classrooms have utilized the Frog Street Curriculum, as part of United Way's Read to Succeed** program. Given the successes we experienced, we replicated a variation of the curriculum for our infant and toddler classrooms.

As we conclude our first year, we have many successes to celebrate - an increase in teacher pay and benefits, an addition of an infant and toddler director, an outdoor learning area, a family literacy opportunity, music classes for the children, and developmental evaluation and family engagement tools.

***Read to Succeed is a comprehensive early childhood learning model that builds literacy and social-emotional skills for preschoolers that need it most.*

Social-emotional learning, discipline, and self-regulation programming

We successfully implemented Conscious Discipline, a trauma-informed, evidence-based program that is built to develop discipline within children rather than applying discipline to them.

Outcomes of Conscious Discipline

- Decreased Discipline Referrals
- Increased Academic Achievement
- Improved School Culture
- Healthier Social Emotional Skill Sets

The average starting pay for early childhood educators in Davidson County is \$11.04 per hour.

Strengthened our commitment to increase teacher pay and benefits

Not all heroes wear capes, but they do teach at Fannie Battle. Early childhood educators have an incredibly important role in the development of our children; forming a life-long impact on our lives. In the last four years, we have pushed our fundraising efforts harder than ever to increase our teacher starting pay. We are proud of how far we've come and will continue to fight for the unsung heroes of early childhood education.



The Big Payback



This year our theme was “Not all heroes wear capes! Help us raise the wage and be the change. Give \$15 for \$15/hour.”

We broke past records and raised over \$3,500!

Thank you to the 30 individuals who made a donation and to Nashville Urban Winery for hosting our Big Payback Happy Hour.

FUNdraising at Fannie Battle - Over \$121,000 raised!

102nd Annual
Caroling for Kids
December 1st - 24th



7th Annual
YumEast
May 30th, 2019



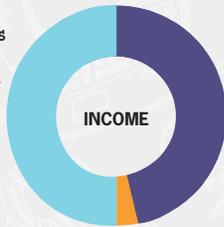
Community-supported events:

Launch of the fall release of Battle Brew - a delicious specialty beer created by Smith + Lentz • Day of the Dead Tequila Festival • Southern Grist Fall Fest • Bloody Mary Festival
East Nashville Restaurant Week • The Soda Parlor's Trivia Night
Smith + Lentz's 2nd Annual Pintwood Derby • Northhighland Give Back Day
HCA Community Cares Day

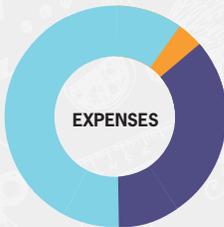
Financial Stability

We had a great year thanks to your support.

- Fundraising & Grants
- Childcare Fees
- Miscellaneous



- Human Capital
- Program & Building
- Miscellaneous



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While all Fannie Battle families pay tuition, childcare fees and subsidies account for only 50% of our operating budget.

Proceeds from our fundraising efforts allow us to fill the gap between those families receiving tuition scholarships through the sliding scale and those paying full-price. Your contribution makes a significant impact on our Fannie Battle community.

To make a donation online, visit www.fanniebattle.org/candleofhope

Thank you for
another great year!

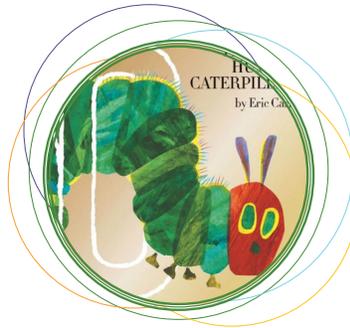
Fun Facts and Tidbits



This year, the Imagination Library of Middle TN observed the distribution of their 5 millionth book at Fannie Battle. Tennessee's First Lady, Crissy Haslam, read to our children and presented the commemorative book to one of our lucky preschool students.



Volunteers dedicated over 1200 hours to assist in classrooms, beautify our center, and help make our events successful.



We celebrated the 50th Anniversary of The Very Hungry Caterpillar at Fannie Battle on June 27th with Imagination Library of Middle TN and Miss Tennessee 2019, Kassie Perkins.



We honored Mrs. Mary's 40th year of providing excellent care to children at Fannie Battle.



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