Highlights from the 2017-2018 School Year

The 2017-2018 school year was a time of exceptional growth and accomplishment for Variety Child Learning Center (VCLC):

**New Location:** In the fall of 2017, **Two Preschool Special Classes in an Integrated Setting (SCIS)** for children with disabilities and without disabilities opened in collaboration with two offsite private day care centers, one in Oyster Bay and the other in Huntington.

**New Programs:** One additional full day Preschool Special Education Class for children with disabilities **opened in** Levittown and Syosset as well to replace two half day Preschool Special Education Classes that were closed. The enrollment in the child care program at our Levittown site, including before and after care, continued to grow throughout the year. We are happy to report that enrollment in our early intervention and preschool classes were again at full capacity for the school year.

**Renovations:** Donations and funds raised through events, along with grant funds were applied towards renovating the playgrounds at the Syosset site and towards the plans for the updated parking lot.

**Fundraising:** A series of successful fundraising events were held including our **Spring Event** in April that raised over $138,000; our annual **Casino Night** in November that raised $37,000; and the **3K Walk for Children** in Bethpage State Park in September that raised awareness of VCLC. **The Entenmann Family through the New York Community Trust** generously donated $500,000 to help support renovation projects and **Microsoft donated** $100,000 for computer software as well. Our Youth Action Council held their annual car wash and other fundraising events throughout the school year. Our Parent Association provided support in helping to make Variety Night a successful event, along with other fundraising occasions during the year. Throughout the year, other volunteers regularly visited the school as readers and aides.

**Staff Training:** We continued to provide college level courses to teacher assistants to enhance their certification levels. Training is an essential ingredient in the success of our programs. During this past school year, staff participated in CPR, CPI, PYRAMID and other pertinent trainings and encouraged to attend outside professional conferences as well.

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**The Mission of Variety Child Learning Center is to:**
- Promote the development, education, and inclusion into the community of children with or at risk of disabilities
- Increase the capabilities of families whose children have or are at risk of disabilities and reduce the stresses on those families.
- Initiate improvements in the delivery of services to children and their families.
- Provide training and technical assistance to early childhood personnel.
- Promote programs, research, policies, and collaborations that improve child development and family life.
Revenue & Expenses for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018

VCLC was proactive in securing additional revenue sources so that we can continue to add new programs and services, and needed updates and renovations to our Syosset site. These include:

- $500,000 Entenmann Family through the New York Community Trust (which will be utilized to renovate the parking lot and upgrade the HVAC system)
- $100,000 pledge from Microsoft to upgrade and enhance our software programs
- $184,000 from our three major fundraisign events (Variety Night, Casino Night, Walk for Children)
- $13,500 from the United Way

2017-2018 Revenue: $19,579,286

2017-2018 Expenses: $19,318,004

About Variety Child Learning Center

Each year, VCLC serves over 750 children and their families with a staff of 420. Program and services, provided both on-site and off-site, include:

- Applied Behavioral Analysis Home Program
- Early Intervention for infants and toddlers
- Evaluation Center to determine if children have disabilities
- Special Classes in an Integrated Setting (SCIS)
- Special Education preschool and kindergarten through 2nd grade
- Special Education Itinerant Services (SEIS) provided at home and at nursery school and child care locations
- Social Skills Training Groups
- Lufrano Training Program for early childhood personnel
- Training for pediatric residents in collaboration with Winthrop University Hospital
- Family Center Respite/Recreation Program for children ages 3-10
- Saturday Enrichment Programs
- Childcare for infants (6 weeks) to 5 years