

CARROLL COUNTY
APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Applicant Agency: Tamworth Preschool, Inc.

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Agency Mailing Address: 27 Durrell Rd.

City: Tamworth

State: NH

ZIP Code: 03886

Agency Physical Address: 27 Durrell Rd. Tamworth, NH 03886

Agency's Total Operating Budget:

Prior Year: 2023 - 255,240. **Current Year:** 2024 - 295,809. **Proposed Year:** 2025 -

Amount of Funding Requested from Carroll County for 2025: \$25,000

DESCRIPTION OF FEE STRUCTURE, IF APPLICABLE:

See Attached

FUNDING SOURCES

Category	Source, Title, Act	Actual Prior FY: 2023	Budget Current FY: 2024	Request FY: 2025
Fees	Tuition (Parent)	138,080	184,000	
Federal	CACFP	10,217	11,000	
State	DHHS (scholarship)	54,026	included in Parent Fees	
County		10,000		
Municipal				
Fund Raising	Annual Appeal School Fundraiser	27,942	26,900	
Grants	Tamworth Found.	5,500	CCWG - 29,287	
Other			OTS - 24,622	

AGENCY OPERATING BUDGET

	Actual Prior FY: 2023	Budget Current FY: 2024	Request FY: 2025
Personnel	215,874	249,510	
Fringe Benefits	1,655	1,600	
Consultants & Subcontracts	7,936	8,500	
Utilities: Electric, Phone, Heat, etc.	15,300	15,500	
Rent			
Office Supplies, Printing, Advertising, etc.	2,546	3,150	
Education & Training	550	700	
Travel, Lodging	18		
Other	Food - 13,364	15,400	
other Operating Expenses	29,382	36,974	
TOTALS:	286,445	331,334	

DEFINE UNIT OF SERVICE FOR THIS PROGRAM:

	<u>Actual Prior FY: 2023</u>	<u>Budget FY: 2024</u>	<u>Request FY: 2025</u>
Total number of units of service in Carroll County	58	70	
Unit of Service Cost			
Total number of individuals served in Carroll County (count each person only once)	58	70	
Explain Method of Formula used to determine amount of Carroll County funding requested:			

SERVICE AND FINANCIAL DATA

Service and Cost Distribution (estimated) for: <i>See Attached</i>		
<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Individuals Served</u>	<u>Units of Service</u>
Albany		
Bartlett		
Brookfield		
Chatham		
Conway		
Eaton		
Effingham		
Freedom		
Hale's Location		
Hart's Location		
Jackson		
Madison		
Moultonborough		
Ossipee		
Sandwich		
Tamworth		
Tuftonboro		
Wakefield		
Wolfeboro		
TOTALS		

Board of Directors: On a separate page, please provide the name of each member of your agency's board of directors and a detail of what, if any, compensation each Director receives.

Additional Documentation: Please provide a copy of the organization's most recent annual financial statement, bylaws, certificate of incorporation and proof of non-profit status.

Provide a brief narrative description of the program(s) for which you are requesting funding.

Within the narrative:
a. Describe the problem which the program will address.
b. Describe the services to be provided and/or the activities to be engaged in.
c. Describe the target population as succinctly as possible, including the geographical coverage, age group and/or other special characteristics.
d. Mission Statement

See Attached

CERTIFICATION BY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES

The undersigned hereby certifies and represents that:

1. The information contained in this application and attached appendices is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate and complete;
2. The undersigned is authorized to act on behalf of the organization in submitting this application.

SIGNATURES

Lisa Sargent
Executive Director/CEO/Administrator Printed Name

Lisa Sargent, Center Director
Preparer's Printed Name & Title

Lisa Sargent
Signature

Date 9/27/2024

Lisa Sargent
Signature

Date 9/27/2024

PAYMENT POLICY AND TUITION RATES FOR JULY 2024

New policy and rates will be affective beginning July 1, 2024

Program		5 Days	3 Days	2 Days
Toddler/Twos 18 months to 3years`	Full Day	252	161	116
	Half Day	160	109	78
Preschool and Pre K 3 to 5 years	Full Day	240	153	109
	Half Day	152	97	68

School Age hourly rate will be \$8.00 for the morning program. Should we be in a position to offer an after-school program, the rate will be based on the number of days not the number of hours your child is scheduled to attend.

We do not offer a four-day rate. If your child is registered to attend for four days, you will be charged the five-day rate.

REGISTRATION FEE: A registration fee of \$35 is charged per family each time a child is enrolled in a program at BVS&CC.

FAMILY DISCOUNT: A 10% discount is offered to families when they enroll two or more children. The full rate is charged for the youngest child and the 10% discount will be offered on the older child(ren).

WEEKLY FEE: Your weekly tuition will be determined at the time of registration and is based on the child's age and number of days enrolled. Weekly invoices are automatically generated through ProCare as a reminder of payment and do not include any past due balances. For a more detailed summary please log into your ProCare account.

PAYMENT: Advance payment is required and due the first day your child attends each week. Payment for more than one week may be made any time prior to services being rendered.

HOW DO I PAY: We accept cash and checks at the school. There is a white box in the hallway for such payments. You may set up automatic payments or make week-to-week payments through the ProCare app using ACH, debit card or credit card. All payments made with a credit or debit card will be charged a 3% convenience fee,

LATE PAYMENT FEES: If payment is not received by 5:00 on THURSDAY for services provided that week, a late fee of \$20 will be charged. Any account two weeks in arrears will need to be paid in full, plus the late fees, before a child may return to the center. Habitual late payments will make it necessary to collect a security deposit equal to one week's tuition. This deposit will be applied to the child's last week of tuition.

Families who experience unexpected, temporary financial setbacks may apply for tuition assistance through the Catherine McGarity Memorial Scholarship Fund (financed by generous donations from friends of the school). This fund is intended to help families get back on a regular payment schedule. Please contact the Center Director for more information.

Weekly rates take into account the days the center is closed for holidays, snow days, and professional development and program preparation. Should the center need to close for other reasons, credit to family accounts will be considered.

LATE PICK-UP FEE: The center closes at 5:00. Should you pick your child up after closing time you may be charged \$5 for every five minutes, or part thereof, you arrive after 5:00. Should you realize you are running a little later than your normal pick-up time, please call the center and give us a heads up.

DROP-IN OR ADDED DAYS: Drop-in or added days are additions to your regular schedule and will be charged as such. Times/days must be approved by the director as space may not be available. There is no switching of days unless it is a permanent change.

SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN: You will be charged for all time scheduled and any extra time your child is here. Currently, we do not offer care on no-school or delayed opening days.

PERMANENT SCHEDULE CHANGES AND TERMINATIONS: A two-week written notice is required to withdraw from any program. Schedule changes must be approved by the director and will depend on availability of space.

EXCEPTIONS: The office reserves the right to make exceptions when deemed necessary. If you have any questions regarding these policies or a bill, please feel free to discuss it with the director. Our mission is to support children and families, so please let us know if you need help.

NOTICE OF CLOSINGS

When determining what our tuition rates will be, we consider the scheduled days we are closed and "unanticipated closures" for weather and other emergencies. Your tuition rate reflects this and remains the same every week. Exceptions will be considered should we close for a building- or program-specific reason not already addressed.

HOLIDAYS: BVS&CC will be closed for Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thursday and Friday of Thanksgiving week, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr/Civil Rights Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, and Independence Day. When the holiday falls on a weekend, we will be closed on Friday or Monday.

INCLEMENT WEATHER: BVS&CC makes every effort to stay open to meet the needs of your family. Sometimes a delayed opening or early closure is necessary. If the forecast is for a storm throughout the day, we may close completely. Such notices will be posted on WMUR, both online and on TV. You will also receive a message through our ProCare App regarding any delayed opening, early closing, or weather closure days.

TURN AROUND DAYS: BVS&CC is closed for two days at the end of the school year and two days at the end of the summer for staff development and program preparation. In June these days will be after the last day of school for SAU 13. At the end of summer, it will be the last two days before school starts, not counting Labor Day.

Towns we served in 2024

The number served includes children and staff who live in each town or parents who are employed in each town

Towns Served	Children	Parents
Conway		6
Center Conway		1
North Conway		3
Chocorua	3	
Tamworth	13	7
Sandwich	1	
Albany		2
Freedom	2	3
Madison	2	3
Wolfeboro	1	3
Effingham	3	1
Moultonborough		
Tuftonboro		
Ossipee	9	5
Silver Lake	3	

Bearcamp Valley School and Children's Center

27 Durrell Road

Tamworth, New Hampshire

603 323-8300

Board of Directors**September 2024**

Chair	Kimberly Tessari 22 Water Village Rd. Ossipee, NH 03864 603 340-1465 guay.kimberly@yahoo.com	Director	Ashana Michaels 626 Tarragona Way Daytona Beach, FL 32114 603 520-5845 ashana@worldpath.net
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Nancy Coville, Administrative Director
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Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

► Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

Print or type.
See Specific Instructions on page 3.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.					
Tamworth Preschool Inc 2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above Bearcamp Valley School & Children's Center					
3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.					
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ►					
<small>Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.</small>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ► non profit corp					
(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)					
5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions. 27 Durrell Rd					
6 City, state, and ZIP code Tamworth, NH 03886					
7 List account number(s) here (optional)					
<small>Requester's name and address (optional)</small>					

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number									
-	-	-							
or									
Employer identification number									
0	2	-	0	2	7	0	0	7	4

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification Instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

**Sign
Here**

Signature of
U.S. person ►

Date ►

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

*If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See *What is backup withholding*, later.*

Address any reply to:

US Treasury Department



**District Director
Internal Revenue Service**

Date:

In reply refer to:

May 20, 1968

► Tamworth Pre-School Inc.
Tamworth
New Hampshire 03886

Purpose:
Address Inquiries and File Returns with District
Director of Internal Revenue:

Educational

Portsmouth, N.H.

Form 990-A Required:
Accounting Period Ending:

Yes No

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On the basis of your stated purposes and the understanding that your operations will continue as evidenced to date or will conform to those proposed in your ruling application, we have concluded that you are exempt from Federal income tax as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Any changes in operation from those described, or in your character or purposes, must be reported immediately to your District Director for consideration of their effect upon your exempt status. You must also report any change in your name or address.

You are not required to file Federal income tax returns so long as you retain an exempt status, unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income imposed by section 511 of the Code, in which event you are required to file Form 990-T. Our determination as to your liability for filing the annual information return, Form 990-A, is set forth above. That return, if required, must be filed on or before the 15th day of the fifth month after the close of your annual accounting period indicated above.

Contributions made to you are deductible by donors as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers or gifts to or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes under the provisions of section 2055, 2106 and 2522 of the Code.

You are not liable for the taxes imposed under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes) unless you file a waiver of exemption certificate as provided in such act. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act. Inquiries about the waiver of exemption certificate for social security taxes should be addressed to this office, as should any questions concerning excise, employment or other Federal taxes.

This is a determination letter.

Very truly yours,

Frank Murphy
District Director

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FORM L-178 (REV. 8-66)

Bearcamp Valley School Children's Center
Budget vs Actual

Year End
6/24

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A	B '23-'24 Budget	C Jun '24	D Fiscal YTD	E % of budget	F Notes
1					
2	INCOME				
3	Classroom, Donations				
4	<i>Classroom Income</i>				
5	<i>Bad Debt Repayment</i>				
6	<i>Fundraisers</i>				
7	Flatbread Fundraiser	-	1,527.75		
8	Gala	0.00	3,150.00		
9	Amazon Smile	-	764.53		
10	Yard Sale	-	415.00		
11	Giving Tuesday	100.00	2,160.00		
12	Calendar Raffle				
13	Credit Card Rewards		149.41		
14	Annual Appeal	28,000.00	25.00	19.500.00	69.64%
15	CMCG Scholarship	1,500.00		275.00	18.33%
16	Town of Tamworth Appropriation	16,000.00			0.00%
17	<i>Sub-total: Classroom & Donations</i>	293,909.00	10,993.60	166,022.11	56.49%
19	Grants, CAC & DHHS				
20	<i>Grants</i>				
21	Carroll County	25,000.00	0.00	14,475.00	57.90%
22	Tamworth Foundation - playground fence	-	0.00	5,500.00	
23	<i>DHHS</i>	-	5,548.15	54,026.46	
24	<i>CAC - Food Reimbursement</i>	12,000.00	654.19	10,217.37	85.14%
25	<i>Sub-total: Grants, CAC & DHHS</i>	37,000.00	6,202.34	84,218.83	227.62%
26	<i>Misc Income</i>		5,000.00		Sale of van
28	TOTAL INCOME	330,909.00	17,195.94	255,240.94	77.13%
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Budget vs Actual

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A	B '23-'24 Budget	C Jun '24	D	E	F
				% of budget	Notes
1 EXPENSES					
32 Advertising	200.00	41.85	198.40	99.20%	web site
33 Bad Debris	-		4,063.51		
34 Bank Fees	-				
35 Benefits - Dental	2,600.00	122.62	1,655.37	63.67%	
36 CMCG Scholarship Distributed	1,500.00		1,849.68	123.31%	
37 Credit Card Fees	3,000.00	239.87	3,522.56	117.42%	reimbursed - under Classroom Income
38 Discretionary Admin					
39 Staff Development	700.00	200.00	549.75	78.54%	
40 Staff Expense - Recruiting, Background Checks	300.00	0.00	230.28	76.76%	
41 Dues & Subscriptions	150.00		75.00	50.00%	
42 Equipment Purchase	300.00			0.00%	
43 Equipment Rental	300.00			0.00%	
44 Field Trip Expense	100.00			0.00%	
45 Finance Charges	-	0.00	1.68		
46 Food Expenses					
47 Food	16,000.00	885.17	12,466.20	77.91%	
48 Mileage	400.00	72.36	864.45	216.11%	
49 Supplies (kitchen)	750.00	66.18	1,197.90	159.72%	
50 Fundraising Expenses					
51 Annual Appeal	1,500.00		1,354.32	90.29%	
52 Calendar Printing	200.00	0.00	265.00	0.00%	
53 Gala Event		0.00	7.00		
54 Grant Expenses					
55 Carroll County	25,000.00	0.00	4,475.00		
56 Insurance					
57 Directors & Officers	1,725.00	0.00	1,793.00	103.94%	
58 Liability	7,378.00	1,858.25	7,353.00	99.66%	
59 Student Accident	350.00		350.00	100.00%	
60 Workers Comp	1,347.00	15.00	1,309.00	97.18%	
61 Interest Expense - credit card	-	78.27	228.18	#DIV/0!	
62 Licenses & Permits	300.00	0.00	225.00	75.00%	water system permit
63 Maintenance					
64 Janitorial	3,000.00	260.48	5,598.80	186.63%	Pest Control, supplies from Casey
65 Grounds	3,400.00	0.00	34.27	1.01%	
66 Playground	1,000.00			0.00%	
67 Snow Plowing/Sanding	1,500.00		800.00	53.33%	
68 Trash Removal/Dumpster	4,200.00	316.69	3,781.98	90.05%	
69 Payroll Expenses	212,650.00				
70 Salaries & Wages - Admin		5,731.16	73,644.43	106.86%	
71 Salaries & Wages - Program		10,609.58	125,362.06	\$4475 from Carroll County Grant	
72 Salaries & Wages - Other					
73 Payroll taxes	18,612.00	1,371.52	16,868.16	90.63%	

Bearcamp Valley School Children's Center

As of 7/23/2024

A	B	C	D	E	F
	23-24 Budget	Jun '24	Fiscal YTD	% of budget	Notes
1 Postage	300.00	2.11	211.66	70.55%	
75 Professional Fees					
76 Accounting	1,500.00		1,695.00	113.00%	
77 Bookkeeping	6,400.00	440.00	6,241.25	97.52%	
78 Repairs - Building, Equipment	2,500.00		4,228.48	169.14%	
79 Security Monitoring	3,600.00		300.00	8.33%	
80 Supplies					
81 Building	2,500.00	229.10	2,070.32	82.81%	
82 Classroom	2,500.00	184.33	1,765.19	70.61%	
83 Office	400.00	49.00	1,013.90	253.48%	includes monthly Procare \$49
84 Travel		~	17.69		
85 Utilities					
86 Electric	6,500.00	548.40	7,301.73	112.33%	
87 Heating Oil	7,000.00	0.00	5,497.75	78.54%	
88 Internet/Phone	2,760.00	153.92	2,502.29	90.66%	
89 Septic Pumping	700.00		850.00	121.43%	
90 Water Testing	1,000.00		1,736.50	173.65%	
91 Vehicle					
92 Gas	100.00			0.00%	
93 Registration & Inspection	175.00			0.00%	
94 Repair & Maintenance	250.00			0.00%	
97 TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 346,647.00	\$ 23,475.86	\$ 305,555.74	88.15%
99 SURPLUS OR (LOSS)		(\$15,738)	-6,279.92	-50,314.80	
101					
102 <i>Bank balances 5/31/24</i>					
103 Operating	\$ 10,590.02		FY begins	7/1/2023	
104 Grant Funds	\$ 3,322.53		rpt date	6/30/2024	
105 Bank of NH	\$ 435.73		FDTD	365	
106			% of year	100.00%	

Bearcamp Valley School Children's Center
Budget vs Actual

2024-2025

July 2024 - June 2025

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	A	B	24-25 Budget	F	Notes
1					
2	INCOME				
3	<i>Classroom, Donations</i>				
4	<i>Classroom Income</i>				
5	<i>Bad Debt Repayment</i>				
6	<i>Fundraisers</i>				
7	Flatbread Fundraiser		1,500.00		
8	Tuckermans		800.00		
9	Yard Sale		600.00		
10	Giving Tuesday		1,000.00		
11	Calendar Raffle		2,500.00		
12	Annual Appeal		20,000.00		
13	CMCG Scholarship		500.00		
14	Town of Tamworth Appropriation		10,000.00		
15	<i>Sub-total: Classroom & Donations</i>		220,900.00		
17	<i>Grants, CAC & DHHS</i>				
18	<i>Grants</i>				
19	Carroll County		10,000.00		
20	OTS Grant		24,672.00		
21	CCWG Grant		29,287.00		
22	<i>DHHS</i>		-		
23	<i>CAC - Food Reimbursement</i>		11,000.00		included in classroom income budget
24	<i>Sub-total: Grants, CAC & DHHS</i>		74,909.00		
27	TOTAL INCOME		295,809.00		
29					

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Bearcamp Valley School Children's Center
Budget vs Actual

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	A	2024-2025 B	24-'25 Budget	F
				Notes
1				
30	EXPENSES			
31	Advertising	200.00	web site	
32	Bad Debts	-		
33	Bank Fees	-		
34	Benefits - Dental	1,600.00		
35	CMCG Scholarship Distributed	1,000.00		
36	Credit Card Fees	3,300.00		
37	Discretionary Admin			
38	Staff Development	-	covered by grants	
39	Staff Expense - Recruiting, Background Checks	-	covered by grants	
40	Dues & Subscriptions	150.00	GOACC, ?	
41	Equipment Purchase	300.00		
42	Equipment Rental	-		
43	Finance Charges - credit card	-		
44	Food Expenses			
45	Food	12,000.00		
46	Mileage	900.00		
47	Supplies (kitchen)	1,400.00		
48	Fundraising Expenses			
49	Annual Appeal	1,500.00		
50	Calendar Printing	200.00		
51	Grant Expenses			
52	Carroll County	10,000.00		
53	CCWG Grant	29,287.00		
54	OTS Grant	24,622.00		
55	Insurance			
56	Directors & Officers	1,934.00		
57	Liability	5,766.00		
58	Student Accident	350.00		
59	Workers Comp	1,124.00		
60	Interest Expense - credit card	350.00		
61	Licenses & Permits	225.00		
62	Maintenance			
63	Janitorial	4,500.00	Pest Control, supplies from Casey, cleaning	
64	Grounds	500.00		
65	Playground	500.00		
66	Snow Plowing/Sanding	1,200.00		
67	Trash Removal/Dumpster	3,800.00		
68	Payroll Expenses	228,908.00		
69	Salaries & Wages - Admin			
70	Salaries & Wages - Program			
71	Salaries & Wages - Other			
72	Payroll taxes	20,602.00		

Bearcamp Valley School Children's Center
Budget vs Actual

	A	B	C	D	E	F
		24-'25 Budget				Notes
1						
73	Postage	300.00				
74	Professional Fees					
75	Accounting	1,800.00				
76	Bookkeeping	6,700.00				
77	Repairs - Building	2,000.00				
78	Security Monitoring	350.00				
79	Supplies					
80	Building	2,200.00				
81	Classroom	-	covered by grants			
82	Office	300.00	grant will cover Procare			
83	Travel	-				
84	Utilities					
85	Electric	7,500.00				
86	Heating Oil	6,000.00				
87	Internet/Phone	2,000.00				
88	Septic Pumping	900.00				
89	Water Testing	-	covered by grants			
92	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 386,268.00				
94	SURPLUS OR (LOSS)	(\$90,459)				
96						

Tamworth honors 92-year-old school founder

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Bearcamp Valley School founder Nancy Coville (at left) smiles as the Starlight Honey band (from left, Doug Hazard, Sam Ti and Roger Sorlien) plays "Goodnight, Irene" at Sunday's fundraiser for the school at The Preserve at Chocorua. (DAYMOND STEER PHOTO)

TAMWORTH — Close to 100 people came out on Sunday to honor Bearcamp Valley School and Children's Center founder Nancy Coville at a fundraising event at the Preserve at Chocorua. Coville, 92, founded the preschool in 1963.

Bearcamp, located at 27 Durrell Road in Tamworth, offers full- and part-time day care for children from 18 months old to kindergarten and before-school care for K.A. Brett School students. It serves about 22 families and a total of about 26 children who come from as far away as Meredith and Freedom.

Coville couldn't hold back her smiles during the event, which featured local musical group Starlight Honeyes in concert.

"I can't tell you how wonderful it is to see people here and you're the reason that we're still here," said Coville who said the center is in "good hands" with Director Lisa Sargent.

Coville's motivation for starting Tamworth Preschool was her own two children, Andrea and Ned. It started above a laundromat in the building now used as the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Eastern Slopes. Since 1986, it has been located at its present home on Durrell Road.

By Coville's side for much of the event were her daughter Andrea (who lives in Newton, Mass.); former student Moselle Spiller; personal assistant/former Bearcamp parent Shelly Freberg; and Coville's sister, Helen Read Steele, whose children attended Bearcamp.

Freberg told the Sun her son Beckett, who is now 16, also went to Bearcamp. She said Coville "is dedicated to our Tamworth community," and added, "They are a staple in our community."

Spiller attended from 1991-94, when the school had classes up through fifth grade. Spiller who works for Green Mountain Conservation Group and plays in the band, Catwolf, said going there was a creative nature-based experience.

"It was really cool, magical time," said Spiller. "The school really created a space for kids to be their authentic selves."

Coville said that her philosophy over the years has been to "get out of the way and let kids learn."

Coville appeared in a Catwolf music video for the nsong "Jungle," which was released a few days ago. In the video, Coville and Spiller dance outside. To watch the video, go to catwolflove.com.

Coville enjoyed the Starlight Honey's concert, especially when "Goodnight, Irene" was played. She said it's one of her favorite songs because it reminds her of her late husband, Stan.

Sargent said that Coville visits the school every Tuesday and sees the children. One day, a little boy approached Nancy and said, 'I love you even when you're not with me.'

"It was such a sweet moment," Sargent said.

Shayna Hidden of West Ossipee said she worked as a Bearcamp preschool teacher from 2007-12.

"Nancy was the best mentor I've ever had. I've learned more from her than I did when I was in college," said Hidden. "She was very calm and collected and she could calm down some of the hardest children."

Former staffer Eileen Shelly of Tamworth told the Sun she worked with Nancy for "8.7 years" as an assistant teacher, teacher, cook and gardener, all at the same time.

"She's a fantastic lady; she's got a heart of gold and a brain full of knowledge," said Shelly.

Board chair Suzanne Balomenos Morgan said she learned a lot about teaching children from Coville.

"Because she brought me to Tamworth and gave me this opportunity it started my career in education," said Morgan. "I was a teacher for the rest of my career."

Steele said her sister was a role model for her and did much for Tamworth.

Crosby Kennett of Tamworth told the Sun that Nancy helped him with child care in his time of need about 35 years ago. Kennett's great-grandfather is the namesake for Kennett schools in Conway.

"I wound up homeless in Silver Lake and had a son with me. Nancy said he could stay with her during the day at the school — that really helped me out," said Kennett, adding, "My son probably hardly remembers that, but it sure saved me."

At The Preserve there was a table with old photos. One showed Kelly Goodson, a recent selectman, as a young girl riding a tire that was tied to a rope and being pulled through the snow by other children.

Rep. Mark McConkey (R-Freedom) attended. He led the charge to get Bearcamp \$10,000 in county funding this year when it might have otherwise been nixed. His nieces and nephews also have gone through the center.

During her remarks, Coville said Bearcamp is "fighting for survival" but has managed to get by financially.

Sunday's event raised over \$3,000.

Former state representative Jerry Knirk (D-Freedom) also attended the event with his family. His grandchildren, River, 3½, and Lola, 20 months, go to Bearcamp, and his daughter-in-law Jena Stevens sits on the board, as does his wife, Cam Spence.

"The center is less than a mile from my house," said Stevens. "There's nothing that could possibly be more convenient for us. But it's more so than that. The staff there is absolutely incredible."

Freberg said there is a real need for board members.

"Our community has gotten fractured through COVID," said Freberg.

"The issue of child care was so critical, but it also took a real hit, and now we have to rebuild."

To donate, or for more information, go to bearcampvalleyschool.org.

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In 1963, Nancy Coville laid the foundation for what would become a cornerstone of the community: the Bearcamp Valley School and Children's Center. Over the past 61 years, this nonprofit organization has not only provided a safe and nurturing environment for children but has also served as a vital resource for hundreds of families in Carroll County. The Center's mission extends beyond basic care; it aims to foster an engaging and stimulating atmosphere where children can thrive, while also building strong, collaborative relationships with their families.

Today, Bearcamp Valley School and Children's Center cares for 27 children, whose ages range from 18 months to 12 years. These children come from 21 distinct families, and the parents work at 31 different businesses throughout Carroll County, serving 13 of the 15 towns, highlighting the Center's integral role in the local economy. By offering high-quality childcare, the Center supports not only the development of the children but also the economic stability of the community by enabling parents to maintain employment. The school respectfully requests \$25,000 in funding to ensure its continued operation and to sustain this vital service for the community.

However, the childcare industry is currently navigating an unprecedented crisis. Many centers are being forced to close their doors due to severe staff shortages and insufficient funding, creating a ripple effect that reverberates throughout the community. As more centers shut down, parents are left in a desperate scramble to find alternative care options. This often results in children being placed in potentially unsafe, unmonitored situations, which can have lasting negative impacts on their development and well-being.

The need for reliable, high-quality childcare has never been more urgent. Businesses rely on their employees to function effectively, and employees, in turn, depend on access to dependable childcare to perform their jobs without the added stress of worrying about their children's safety and care. Yet, the availability of such services is dwindling at an alarming rate. In Carroll County, there are now only three nonprofit childcare centers remaining, each struggling to meet the growing demand.

The situation underscores a broader societal issue: the undervaluation of childcare as an essential service. As centers like Bearcamp Valley continue to serve the community, they face increasing pressure to sustain operations amid rising costs and shrinking resources. Without significant support and investment, the future of these vital institutions remains uncertain. The crisis calls for immediate attention and action from policymakers, businesses, and the community at large to ensure that every child has access to the quality care they deserve, and that parents can contribute to the workforce with peace of mind.