

Message from the President & CEO

Evelio C. Torres

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Happy New Year to all!

With the holiday season behind us, we now look forward to a fresh new year. Although we are faced with a more than difficult economy, our staff and our partners are forging onward. In 2009, the ELC plans to carry on its mission to help children achieve educational success. We are planning a major literacy initiative in the spring to provide books and reading programs for children and with the help of our community partners we continue the development and deployment of training initiatives for providers in the Quality Counts program. These are some of the additional programs and efforts underway in our community to pave the way for our children to receive a quality early childhood education.

We look forward to this year with optimism in light of the current recession and economic climate. We are motivated by our goals of providing great early childhood care and education to the wonderful children of Miami-Dade and Monroe, and I hope that you join us in our efforts. Whether you are a parent, a childcare provider, or an educator, remember the significance that you play in our children's lives and that your hard work will help realize our mission and vision.

To health, happiness, and prosperity in 2009!

Evelio C. Torres, President & CEO

