

Building Stronger Families

A past year success story follows due to not having an enrollment from July 1, 2020 - current in this county. Grandparent raising two children. One child presented defiant behavior at school and home, acting out and using curse words when they didn't get their way.

Home visitor identified grandparent strength, that they were very intelligent and well read on children's behaviors. Home visitor used this strength to encourage grandparent to be more consistent in setting limits on the children's' behaviors. Grandparent reported that because of the home visits they became more consistent in follow through with children.

One episode home visitor witnessed a child's anger including yelling and using profanity. Grandparent calmly said to them "when you are through you can go to your room and you have lost video game privileges for 24 hours" and walked away. The child after a few minutes went quietly to their room. Grandparent said she was able to respond to the child this way because of a lesson from the curriculum the home visitor taught.

One child was in all EBD classes at the beginning of home visits. At closure, they were in regular classrooms for five classes and had not been disruptive. The referral source noted that grandparent vocalized more positive behaviors about children and personally they observed vast improvement in child's behavior at school.

At closure, assessment scores in parenting capabilities, family interactions and child-well being improved.