James Scholar Civic Commitment Track Project

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Childhood Language Acquisition

- 2 workshops for daycare providers and teachers regarding childhood language acquisition
- Researched details on:
  - Typical language milestones
  - Types of disorders that can affect speech/language
  - Tactics for teachers to elicit speech/language from students
  - Classroom set-up for successful learning
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- Paired up with the CCRS
- Worked with a certified SLP
- Provided handouts to the audience
- Gave a survey at the end of each presentation
Why We Chose this Project

- Our future goals are to become Speech-Language Pathologists

- We are both particularly interested in working with children.

- The information we researched is necessary knowledge for practicing speech pathologists.
What We Hoped to Accomplish

- We wanted to benefit the children in the Champaign–Urbana community by increasing the knowledge of their educators in regards to speech and language.

- We hoped to gain further knowledge by pairing up with a practicing speech pathologist who specialized in Early Intervention.
Challenges

- Initially finding contacts to help connect us to local daycares
- Finding facilities that could accommodate our presentation
- Audience interaction and participation
Next Steps

- If future James Scholar’s show interest in a project similar to ours, we can provide them with contact information for the people we worked with.
Our Careers

- Assisted in our future career knowledge on these specific topics
- We gained more detailed information regarding language development in children, the population we both hope to work with.
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