Office of State Budget and Management Establish New, Receipt-Supported Positions

(G.S. 143-34.1)

Agency: J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center			
Division: Division of Mental Health			
Budget Code:24466			
*** Position Information ***			
Proposed Classification: Educational Developmental Assistant II Proposed Salary Grade: 56			
Salary Range : \$18,065 - \$27,278 Proposed Effective Date : 2/01/04			
Number of Positions: 3, 3/4 time positions			
<u>Center Authorized Budget</u> <u>Current Request</u>			
Total Budget \$ 308,418 \$ 56,326			

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Funding Source(s): N. C. Department of Public Instruction

Receipts

Appropriation

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities):

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These positions are necessary to meet the staff qualifications requirements and federal guidelines set forth by the Even Start Program. Even Start is a federal grant awarded to the Family, Infant, and Preschool Program of JIRDC four years ago. Until this time, these services have been provided by contracted employees. We would like to establish these three, three-fourth time positions at JIRDC.

The Educational Developmental Assistants support and implement instruction in the classroom, at home, and in community settings for the Even Start Family Literacy Program, with direct responsibility for supporting the instruction of the Infant/Toddler classrooms, as well as the Preschool Classroom housed at Whitnel Elementary School. Due to Title I requirements of our collaborative partner, the Caldwell County Schools, and the "No Child Left Behind" legislation, these three degreed (associate degree) positions are required for continued funding.

During the 2002-03 fiscal year, the Even Start Program, with the help of collaborative efforts of our partners (Caldwell Community College for the Adult Education component and the Public Schools for the preschool classroom space) has served 89 children, 71 families, and 70 parents in Caldwell County.

Statutory Reference for Request	
Allyn Guffey Presentation to be made by	J. Iverson Riddle, M. D. Agency Head Signature
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Title	State Budget Officer Signature