

LET'S SHARE IT!



Fayette County Board of
Developmental Disabilities

We offer quality programs and coordinate available services so that people we serve may realize their dreams and actively contribute to their community.

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Superintendent's Message



It is hard to believe we are only a few weeks away from the start of a new school year. It seems the older I get the faster time goes! We are preparing classrooms and busses, scheduling orientation and doing annual staff training. We are again looking forward to working with your children. Over the last several years we have had more than 80 students a year in our preschool program. We have taught hundreds of children throughout this community. What an honor. We are all anticipating another successful start to the school year. Stay tuned to our media to track our adventures!

Recently you may have heard about our "Give Back Crew". I am so proud of these advocates recognizing the support of this community and acknowledging it by saying thank you. We are all lucky to live and work in an environment of acceptance and partnership.

We hope you are inspired by the articles you will read in this edition of Let's Share It. If you would like to get involved please contact us at the Board offices.

Until next time,

Deb Buccilla, Superintendent

Dragons Softball Schedule

JV Team

8/2/17	6:30 PM	Logan, OH
8/3/17	6:30 PM	Home
8/5/17	TBD	Circleville, OH
8/12/17	TBD	Home
8/14/17	6:30 PM	Home
8/19/17	TBD	Hillsboro, OH
8/23/17	6:30 PM	Home
9/11/17	6:30 PM	Home

Varsity Team

8/5/17	TBD	Circleville, OH
8/7/17	6:30 PM	Circleville, OH
8/12/17	TBD	Home
8/16/17	6:30 PM	Home
8/19/17	TBD	Hillsboro, OH
8/28/17	6:30 PM	London, OH
8/30/17	6:30 PM	Home
9/10/17	6:30 PM	Home

All Home games will be played on the back diamond at Eyman Park. Contact Tim Stewart, Community First Coordinator for more information.

Local Provider Updates

FPI goes to LaComedia



FAYETTE PROGRESSIVE INDUSTRIES



For information about the services provided by FPI, contact Mark Schwartz at 740-335-7453 or your Service and Support Administrator.

GOODWILLINDUSTRIES of south central ohio



Working at Goodwill Industries can be a fun place. During a Hawaiian themed work day, Rosie poses for a photo at the Selfie Station. Also pictured is Stacey Kelley, Habilitation Supervisor. For more information, contact your Service and Support Administrator at 740-335-7453 or Stacey at 740-620-4036



The Next Chapter Book Club, a national book club for adolescents and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, has a reading club in Washington Court House. This club is possible through a partnership with The Carnegie Public Library and the Fayette County Board of DD. The group gets to know one another, discuss, and select the books they read as part of this club.

The Fayette County Next Chapter Book Club recently completed reading "***The Lightning Thief***", a 2005 fantasy-adventure novel based on Greek mythology. This book, written by American author Rick Riordan is the first in the Percy Jackson and the Olympians series.

Members celebrated finishing the novel with a ***Lightning Thief*** movie-party held at the community room of the Washington Court House Carnegie Public Library. In this novel Percy, and friends Annabeth and Grover, go on a quest to return Hades' helm and Zeus' master lightning bolt to prevent a war between Zeus, Poseidon, and Hades. All party attendees wore a bright lightning bolt on a headband, colorful party hat, or on their clothes.

Book club facilitators brought popcorn, Crunch' n Munch flavored popcorn, M&M candies and a variety of soda to set-up a concession area. The room was arranged with chairs in rows and lights dimmed to create a fun movie theater atmosphere.

Following the movie, you could hear a NCBC member declare "the book was better than the movie", while another member pointed out differences between the book and the movie, and others just shared how much they enjoyed the movie.

For more information about the national organization of NCBC, please visit their website at <http://nextchapterbookclub.org>. The group meets one evening a week at the Carnegie Public Library. For information about FCBDD's local chapter or to become a volunteer facilitator, please contact Tim Stewart, Community First Coordinator at 740-335-7453 ext.218.



Shown:L-R: Party guest Owen with member Mike. Facilitator Kathy with member Buffy. Facilitators: Kathy, Debra & Aaron.



Guest Vanessa and Penny with member Jason.



FAYETTE PROGRESSIVE PRESCHOOL WELCOMES JAMIE ROE *as* EARLY CHILDHOOD COORDINATOR

Jamie Roe has been a public elementary school teacher for the past 13 year teaching in grades preschool through third grade, spending the majority of that time as an Early Intervention Specialist. As a lifelong learner she has attended Bowling Green State University, Wilmington College and Ohio Dominican University with plans of attending Ohio State in the future working towards a Ph.D. Jamie currently lives in Wilmington with her husband, Jimmy and three sons, Brady age 6, Easton age 5, Brantley age 15 months and the family will be welcoming a baby girl in October.


Welcome, Jamie!

Screening days for Fayette Progressive School will be held on August 9th and 10th. We extend an invitation to the preschool families to come meet the staff, have a school physical performed on campus by Dr. Lenora Fitton, complete registration paperwork, and share information about their child's learning. We are very excited to offer this day to assist our families with enrollment in the preschool program. A dental clinic will also be offered later in August made possible by Fayette Family Dentistry. Teachers have been busily working to prepare individual classroom open house night. There, families will tour the classrooms, and meet more in-depth with the teachers to learn about expectations for the school year.














Transportation Updates for the 2017-2018 School Year



Bus drivers for the school year include: Sandy Kelley, Operations Manager, Sue Kunie, Kelly Campbell, Alice Berryman, Matt Bryant, and Bill Haines. Bill is the newest driver, completing his certification requirements over the summer. You may have seen Sandy with him in the drivers seat over the summer, transporting the Early Intervention students.



This year there will be a total of 10 preschool and 6 Early Intervention bussing routes. For information about transportation, please contact Sandy at 740-335-1391.



Along with getting the routes ready, we continue working on preparing the buses for the school year with fresh paint on the bumpers and wheels and washing and waxing the buses. The transportation team is looking forward to another great school year.



TODAY IS YOUR DAY!

YOU'RE OFF TO GREAT PLACES.



YOU'RE MOUNTAIN IS WAITING.

SO GET ON YOUR WAY.

-DR. SEUSS





WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE



GIVING BACK *Ohio* to the community

The Fayette County Board of DD's Give Back Crew recently visited the Fayette County Sheriff's office, including the jail and annex and the Washington Police Dept. FACT advocate Chuck told the Deputy's and the Dispatcher's, "we appreciate all that you guys do to keep our community safe".

While on the visit, Sergeant Weidman gave the Crew the opportunity to visit the 911 dispatching area to see where all emergency calls come through. FCBDD would like to thank all of our heroes at the Fayette County Sheriff's Office and Washington Police Dept.



Sgt. Chuck Kyle and Give Back Crew member Chuck stop for a picture



Deputy Nikki Miller, Chuck and Deputy Kodi Jackson of the Fayette Co. Sheriff's office



Give Back Crew members Erica and Matthew take a basket of goodies to the Washington Police Department. Pictured with Erica and Matthew is Sergeant Shoopman.



SAFE

FCBDD's parent and child support group known as S.A.F.E. took a field trip to Spirit Horse of Ohio for a tour on March 27th, 2017. Spirit Horse of Ohio is a therapeutic riding stable located in Jamestown, Ohio, about 30 minutes from Washington Court House.

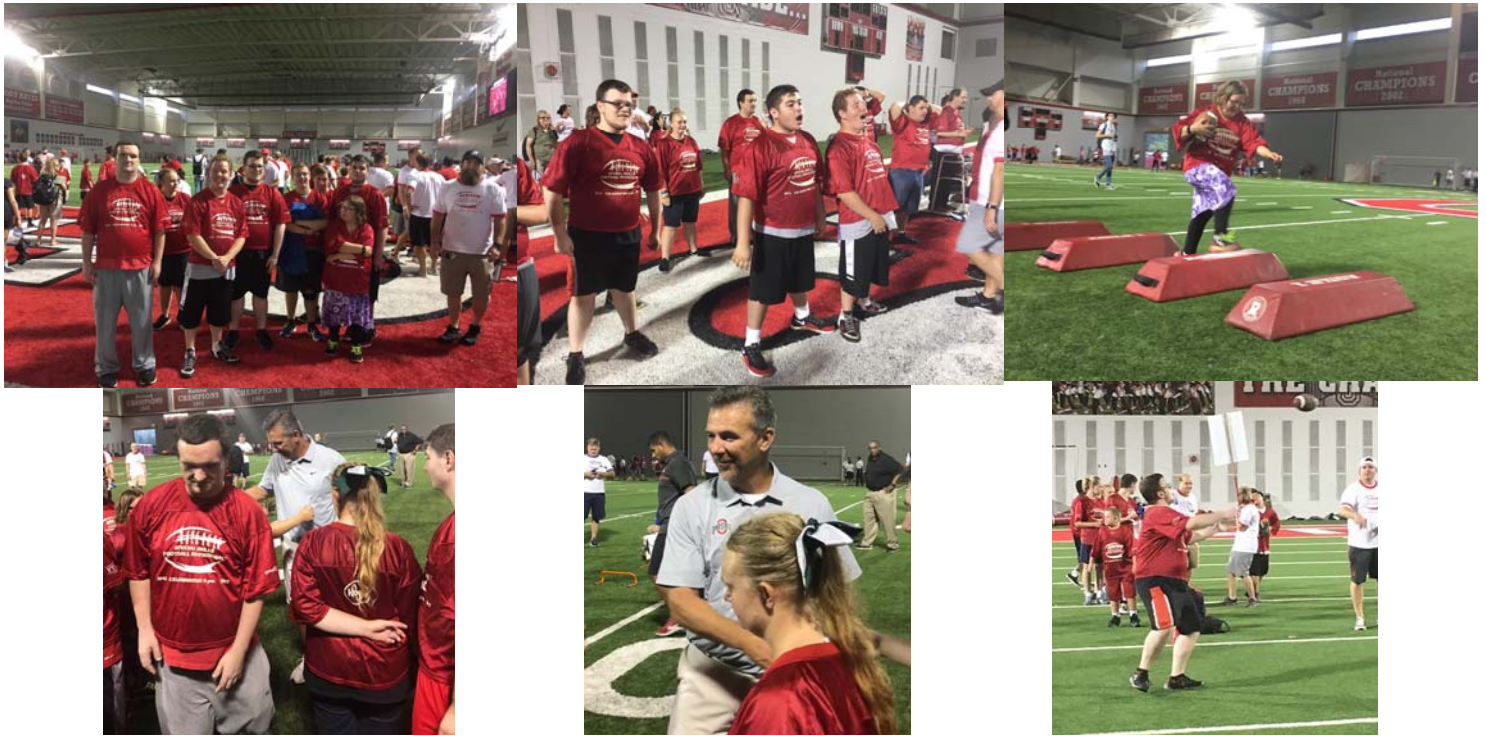
S.A.F.E. members are always open to new therapy opportunities and ways of supporting their kids and others in the community with disabilities. The owner of Spirit Horse, Channin Ford, came to the S.A.F.E. group on March 13th and really impressed the parents with her level of knowledge of children with disabilities. Channin is a former Early Intervention Specialist who has worked with children with disabilities for years. She also is a parent of a daughter with autism. Channin has been involved with showing horses and caring for them her entire life, so she decided to join her two passions together to form a therapeutic riding experience for children with special needs.

The S.A.F.E. group decided a tour of the facility may be a good idea to see if it was something that their children would participate in. The tour revealed that Spirit Horse offers more than just fun with horses. It is a detailed therapeutic experience that offers families a wide range of services. Channin has also brought on staff an occupational therapy student who also provides a lot of input and support with each child they serve. They review doctors recommendations, the child's IEP and of course the parent's input while they develop a specific riding program for that child. Cheryl Binegar, facilitator of S.A.F.E., says, "I have not seen this level of passion in a program in a while. I was very excited for the families of Fayette County when we discovered this amazing opportunity." The parents clearly felt the same way, and after the tour, nine children from Fayette County immediately signed up to participate in the program. All the children are varying ages, genders and levels of disabilities.



SHOWING ACCEPTANCE FOR EVERYONE

2017 OSU SPECIAL SKILLS INVITATIONAL



The Fayette County Special Olympics program had the privilege to participate in the 2017 Special Skills Football Invitational at the Woody Hayes facility. This was by invite only and hosted by Goodwill Columbus. Several members from the Fayette County Special Olympics were in attendance. The event was scheduled to take place outside, but the weather would not cooperate that day. Not all was lost as they were able to move the event to the indoor facility making it an experience of a lifetime. Athletes went through several different stations to perform different football skills led by current OSU football players. They had the chance to become a running back, to take handoffs from OSU players, to catch passes, to do strength and conditioning training, and even the opportunity to meet and take a picture with Urban Myer. It was a great experience for everyone that attended and something they will remember for a lifetime.



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Vision: To empower people to be the best version of themselves.

Values: Teamwork, Dedication, Respect, Integrity.

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