

Sidewalk Chalk

Monthly e-newsletter

OUR VISION

All children in Randolph County enter school healthy & ready to succeed.

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"No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another."

~Charles Dickens

Inspirations

It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year

...to support children birth to five in Randolph County!

As 2018 draws to a close, we send our most heartfelt gratitude to the partners, donors, volunteers, early educators, and friends who have worked alongside us this year. Thank you for entrusting our organization to serve as the leading steward for the well-being of our community's youngest children and their families.



This past year, our community began to more fully realize the importance of the first five years of life as *the foundation* for future success and learning. We could not be more excited about the increased attention on the issues at the very heart of our mission.

In this season of giving, we ask for your support to ensure **each child in Randolph County** has the opportunity for a strong and positive start that will set them on the path to individual success and collective well-being.

Our best wishes to you for a healthy, hopeful and peaceful 2019.

Lisa Hayworth Executive Director

We are humbled to report that we raised \$1100 for Reach Out



and Read during our Giving Tuesday campaign. We are so grateful for the generosity of our local community. This year's campaign success is a direct reflection of the collective commitment throughout Randolph County for giving children the best start in life on the cradle-to-career continuum, ensuring higher rates of school readiness and success and ultimately creating a more skilled workforce and stronger community!

A Night with Eric Carle set for April 6



We are thrilled to announce our 2019 Gala for the Children will be again held at AVS Banquet Centre. Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 6 and plan to join us for

A Night with Eric Carle

In addition to celebrating young children, families, early education professionals and our community partners and supporters, we will celebrate the 50th anniversary of *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* and all works by Eric Carle, who continues to spark in the hearts of so many a lifelong love of reading and art.

This year's event will include a delicious meal, plenty of Eric Carle-inspired desserts, an extensive silent auction, lots of networking and so much more.

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Interested in sponsoring A Night with Eric Carle?

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Birth-3 Roundtable Events Planned for January at ALL Randolph County Libraries Randolph Partnership for Children, in collaboration with the Randolph County KidsReadyNC team, set up seven informal, public roundtables that will focus on issues relating to the birth-3 population. The roundtables will take place at each branch of the Randolph Public Library System.

Invited to the events in addition to parents, caretakers, early educators and interested citizens are area mayors; city and town council members, commissioners and alderman; county commissioners; town, city and county leadership; local representatives to the NC General Assembly; and US Representatives and Senators with Randolph County constituents.



Information that will be shared includes:

- Key points from Think Babies[™] and 1000 Days about the importance of the early years,
- Local statistics regarding the 0-3 population in Randolph County,
- The five Basics Randolph strategies that support healthy brain development, and
- Contact information for elected officials.

Policymakers are encouraged to share information on any proposed legislation affecting services and supports for families with babies as well as explain how parents and other constituents can contact them. Parents, early educators and community members are encouraged to share concerns and ask questions.

Policymaker Roundtable Schedule:

John W. Clark Public Library 4-5 p.m., Monday, January 7, 2019

Ramseur Public Library 3-4 p.m., Wednesday, January 9, 2019

Seagrove Public Library 5-6 p.m., Thursday, January 10, 2019

Randleman Public Library 3:30-4:30 p.m., Monday, January 14, 2019

Liberty Public Library 4-5 p.m., Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Asheboro Public Library 4-5 p.m., Wednesday, January 16, 2019

Archdale Public Library 5-6 p.m., Tuesday, January 22, 2016

Funding for the roundtable events is provided by the NC Early Education Coalition, with support from the ZERO TO THREE Think Babies™ campaign and the Pritzker Children's Initiative's National Collaborative for Infants and Toddlers.

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- Monday, Dec. 24-Tues. Jan. 1: Offices CLOSED. Happy Holidays!
- Friday, Jan. 18: Board of Directors meeting 8 a.m.
- Monday, Jan. 21: Offices CLOSED in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday
- Wednesday, Jan. 23: NC Pre-K Teachers Professional Development 8 a.m.
- Wednesday, Jan. 23: Farm to Childcare meeting *noon*
- Thursday, Jan. 24: KidsReadyNC Local Team meeting *4 p.m.*



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