



Sidewalk Chalk

Monthly e-newsletter

OUR VISION

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

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"The joy of brightening other lives, bearing each others' burdens, easing each other's loads and supplanting empty hearts and lives with generous gifts becomes for us the magic of the holidays."

—W. C. Jones

Inspirations

One of the most often told holiday remembrances in my family is my mom's heartwarming memories of her Christmases as a young girl in the Depression era. Life was not easy or light in my mom's small immediate family, which consisted of my grandmother—a newly divorced mom—raising two young daughters born eleven months to the day apart from each other. In order to fulfill her daughters' reasonable but unburdened hopes for what they would find awaiting them on Christmas morning, Grandma, a mill worker, worked extra shifts in the months leading up to December. And those extra shifts of work meant, in turn, extra shifts of babysitting, homework



assistance, and overnight stays provided by Grandma's sisters. From everything I hear about those experiences, my grandma and my great aunts took on their duties and responsibilities with joy and cheerfulness and viewed those opportunities to enrich two little girls' lives as gifts to themselves.

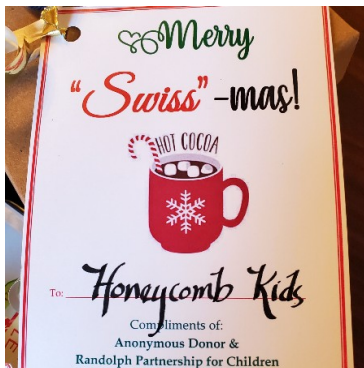
Such grace is how it is with families. And close-knit communities, like ours. I am always so moved by the ways in which our community lifts up our young children and regards these generosity and kindnesses as gifts to ourselves, as presents to our very souls.

In this holiday season, I thank you for being such a wonderful and giving community and I send to you my very best wishes for everything bright and merry in the days ahead and for all of 2022.

Lisa Hayworth

Executive Director

December Treats



Delivering holiday treats to our early educators!

We recognize our early childhood teachers as essential workers and the impact they have on our community and economy. We invite local businesses to help sponsor our ongoing monthly deliveries that bring a smile, support, and uplifts the hearts of our early educators.

Contact: Andee Edelson: aedelson@randolphkids.org for additional information.

Pictured: Jennifer Miller, Felicia Sintim, Ashley Hedgecock from Harmony Place

Soothing Lights

Holidays are stressful, frenetic times for people of all ages, including young children.

That's why Executive Director Lisa Hayworth talked with WGHP Fox 8 News' Cindy Farmer about soothing lighting for

little ones during a recent Mommy Matters segment.



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Parade Memories

Just a few photos from our visits to area holiday parades to give out free books to children and resources information for parents.

More than 30 volunteers and staff participated in parades in Randleman, Asheboro, Franklinville, Seagrove, Liberty, and Archdale between Dec. 2 and Dec. 5.

Together, we handed out 1375 books at the Asheboro Reverse Parade as well as 2373 reusable lunch bags at the Randleman, Franklinville, Seagrove, Liberty, and Archdale parades combined. Each reusable lunch bag included a book, a family resource flip guide, an Imagination Library photo magnet, and The Basics Randolph bookmark.



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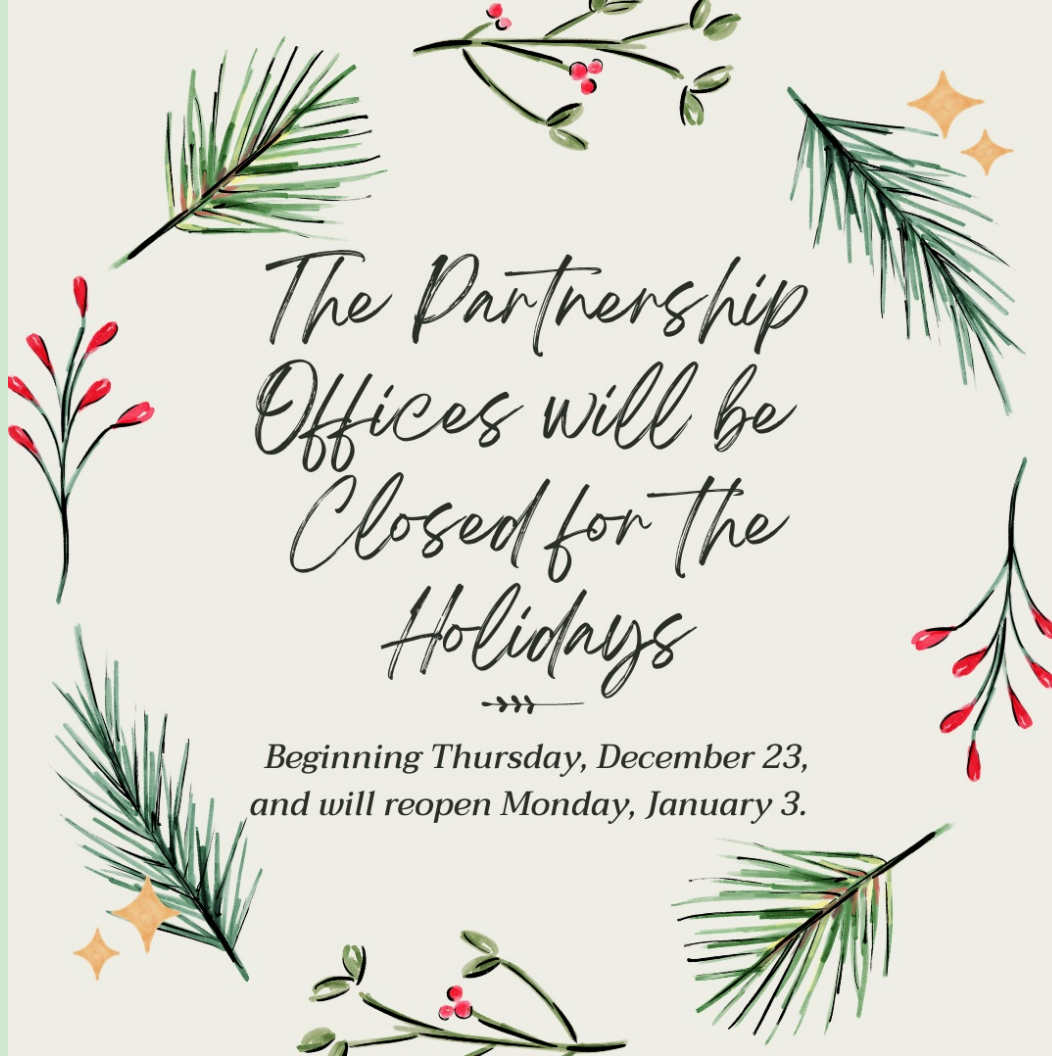


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Office Holiday Closures



The Partnership Offices will be Closed for the Holidays

Beginning Thursday, December 23,
and will reopen Monday, January 3.

In addition to the above closings, we will be closed on Monday, January 17 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday.

Penciled In

- **Tues., Dec. 21, 8:15 AM:** Board of Directors
- **Thurs., Dec. 23-Sun., Jan. 2:** Offices Closed
- **Wed., Jan. 12, Noon:** Directors' Institute
- **Mon. Jan. 17:** Offices Closed
- **Tues., Jan. 18, 8:15 AM:** Board of Directors
- **Wed., Jan. 19, 11 AM:** Family Engagement & Leaders Coalition
- **Thurs., Jan. 27, 4 PM:** Randolph ChAMPS



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