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Sidewalk Chalk

OUR VISION

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

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"I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination."

—Jimmy Dean

The Basics Principles:

Exploring Early Math Skills: Count, Group, Compare





As we embrace a new month, we invite you to delve into the intriguing world of early math skills, specifically Count, Group, Compare. These fundamental concepts serve as the cornerstone for mathematical thinking and lay the groundwork for a solid math education. Let's journey together into this realm of numbers and patterns.

It might surprise you to know that mathematical abilities begin to develop in our earliest years. Even infants display an innate understanding of fundamental mathematical concepts such as attributes, comparisons, patterns, and change. These early building blocks provide the foundation for comprehending more advanced mathematical ideas as we grow.

Educational disparities often start early, but early exposure to math concepts helps bridge these gaps. It levels the playing field, ensuring that all children have a strong mathematical foundation, regardless of their backgrounds.

Parents play a pivotal role in shaping their children's early math skills. Counting, grouping, and discussing numbers significantly impact a child's grasp of mathematics. For example, counting visible objects has a more substantial impact on a child's understanding of numbers than counting objects that are hidden from view.

To further explore the wonders of this principle, watch the video below.



Count, Group, Compare is more than just a set of concepts; it's the key to unlocking a world of mathematical understanding. Together, as parents and caregivers, we can provide children with the tools they need to excel in this essential field of knowledge. So, let's embark on this journey of mathematical discovery hand in hand, nurturing the mathematicians of tomorrow, one step at a time.

These principles are stepping stones into the wonderful interactions between child and caregiver that strengthen their bonds. For more information about The Basics Randolph, please click below. If you would like to learn how your organization can help support The Basics Randolph please email Kim Radcliffe.

Visit The Basics Randolph website

Family Resource Guide

Randolph Partnership for Children 349 Sunset Ave Asheboro, NC 27203 (336) 629-2128

Use, Share, Spread the Word!



Randolph County Family Resource Guide

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2023

Exciting News! Our long-awaited, updated Family Resource Guide is hot off the press, now available in both English and Spanish! Whether you're a parent seeking valuable resources or an organization looking to support families, this guide is your go-to source. While we eagerly await the arrival of physical copies, you can download the digital version from our website at the button below. Dive into a world of resources, information about The Basics, and enrich your journey in early childhood education and community support. Stay tuned for updates on when you can get your hands on the printed copies!

Download the Digital Family Resource Guide

Community Resource Spotlight: Spirit Horse Ranch



Searching for a refreshing way to enhance your child's well-being? Dive into the offerings at Spirit Horse Ranch! With their unique after-school programs, children can bond with horses, stay physically active, and reconnect with nature. From a comprehensive whole-rider education to specialized equine-assisted therapies, the ranch presents a serene setting for growth and healing. Encourage a wholesome bond between nature and mental health, and explore what Spirit Horse Ranch has in store!

Learn more about Spirit Horse Ranch.

Visit Our Online Resource Guide

Lunch & Learn: In Plain Sight





We're thrilled to report that our Lunch & Learn: In Plain Sight was a roaring success! Led by Tammy Bennett from Insight Human Services, the session was eye-opening and incredibly well-attended. Attendees gained valuable insights into the rising dangers of substance abuse and left equipped with tangible prevention strategies, including complimentary medication lock boxes. A big thank you to everyone who made it out, and if you missed it, stay tuned for our next Lunch & Learn on Fostering and Supporting Foster Families!

Think Babies



This month we are screaming **Think Babies!** Randleman Enrichment Center reminds us that critical child development begins at birth and how important that precious time is to make the biggest impact!

See More

Early Childhood Educator Training Opportunities



Processing the Process: Experiencing Open-Ended Art

Let's toss the worksheets and see what our children can create. Join us as we learn about the benefits open-ended art and how it can be incorporated into every lesson-plan, even around the holidays!

Click here for more information and to register.



Address the Stress! Prioritizing Self-Care and "We Care" in Child Care

Welcome to this interactive session that aims to assist you in prioritizing your workday wellness, reducing stress, and strengthening relationships with your co-workers. Through trauma-informed strategies, this session will increase your awareness of how adverse childhood experiences, stress, and trauma impact us all. You will learn about the role of the child care community in promoting healing and creating supportive environments and relationships for young children to thrive and build resilience. Remember that self-care is not selfish, so join us to be reminded of its importance.

Click here for more information and to register.

Training Calendar

Festival Highlights

We had a fantastic time this fall connecting with our community at two exciting events - Randleman NASCAR Day and the Asheboro Fall Festival. Our booth

was buzzing with activity as we engaged with parents, signed up children for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, and gave away over 200 books to eager young readers.

Our dedicated team had the opportunity to interact with our neighbors, listening to their concerns and needs. These events reaffirmed our commitment to supporting families with young children in Randolph County.

See below for the heartwarming moments and vibrant snapshots from these memorable days.



Set up and ready at Randleman Nascar Days



Resources at the Ready



Whether books or resources there was something for everyone



At the Asheboro Fall Festival

Together, we're building a stronger, more vibrant community for our little ones.

Business Before Hours



Join Us for a Sunrise Gathering at the Historic Hayworth House!

Are you committed to shaping a better future for Randolph County? If so, we invite you to join us for Business Before Hours on **Friday**, **November 3rd**, **at 7:15 a.m**. at the historic Hayworth House.

Our Executive Director, Lisa Hayworth, will delve into the crucial importance of the first 2,000 days in a child's life. We'll have proclamations from local municipalities declaring Universal Children's Day. Plus, Breakfast will be served by The Table!

Your presence is more than just a seat at the table—it's a step toward actionable change. We want you to leave inspired to take one concrete action that will better the lives of our youngest community members.

Remember: Ensuring bright beginnings for our children guarantees a strong future for our community.



Register to Attend

Upcoming Events & Opportunities

Here is a list of events where you can catch up with Partnership Staff as well as opportunities to get involved.

10/28 - Randolph Sheriff's Office Trunk or Treat

11/3 - Business Before Hours

11/4 - Dia de los Muertos at Bicentennial Park

11/15 - Lunch & Learn: Fostering and Supporting Foster Families

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- Friday, November 3, 7:15AM: <u>Business Before</u> <u>Hours</u>
- Tuesday, November 14, 12PM: Randolph Family Engagement and Leadership Coalition Meeting
- Wednesday, November 15, 12PM: <u>Lunch & Learn: Fostering and Supporting Foster Families</u>



 Tuesday, November 21, 8:15AM: Board of Directors Meeting

Visit our Calendar

Help us put kids first in Randolph County! Donate



New & gently used books are used for placement in Little Free Libraries and given out at events.

Donations can be dropped off at the Partnership office at 349 Sunset Ave, Asheboro.



New infant blankets are given to families of newborns at Randolph Health Hospital.

Donations can be dropped off at the front desk at Randolph Health Hospital.

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