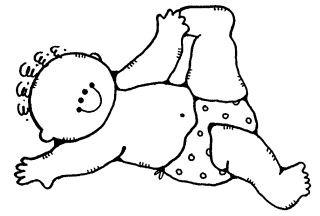


# Parent Pages

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What is Early Intervention? A program for newborns, infants and toddlers that provides developmental services designed with your family's concerns and goals in mind. If you have concerns about your child's development, please call Early Intervention at 740-371-3322.

## **June Awareness**

- June is National Aphasia Awareness Month
- June is National Scoliosis Awareness Month
- June is Myasthenia Gravis Awareness Month
- June is Migraine Awareness Month
- June is PTSD Awareness Month
- June is Alzheimer's Disease and Brain Awareness Month
- June 19th is World Sickle Cell Day
- June 13th is National Children's Day

## **Free Summer Lunch Program**

The Summer Lunch Program is a partnership between Andrews House, Delaware City Schools and the Delaware City Schools Family Resource Center. **The lunch program will take place at Woodward Elementary located at 200 S. Washington Street, Delaware, 43015.**

Beginning Monday, **June 3rd**, and running through Friday, **August 9th**, there will be a free lunch for anyone, 18 years of age and younger, who arrives between 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Fun activities every day after lunch until 1:00 pm. No income requirements! For more information, please call 740-369-4520.

## **Autism Support Group**

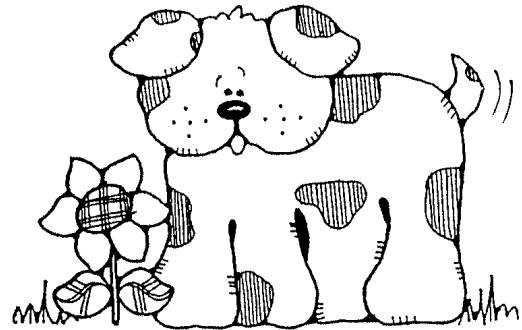
This group is for families that have a toddler, preschooler or school aged child with Autism or behaviors similar to those with an Autism Spectrum Disorder diagnosis. Please join us on **Wednesday, June 26th, at 6:30pm at the Delaware County Board of Developmental Disabilities** at 7991 Columbus Pike, Lewis Center, 43035. Park in front of the building and enter through the front doors. Contact the Family Liaison, Bethany Mirka, at 740-666-2222 or [tbmirka@hotmail.com](mailto:tbmirka@hotmail.com) for more information.

**[www.ohioearlyintervention.org](http://www.ohioearlyintervention.org)**

The website for the State of Ohio  
Early Intervention Program.

## Quote of the Month

"It's OK to be scared.  
Being scared means  
you're about to do something  
really, really brave."  
~ unknown



## **Buddies, Books & Bubbles**

Please join us for this story time with themed books, a picture schedule, songs with sign language, crafts, and a fun bubble activity in a welcoming and supportive environment for children, ages birth to 5, **of all abilities** and their parents and caregivers. This will be an inclusive event in which children with special needs are learning and playing alongside children without special needs.

When: **Wednesday, June 26th**  
**(the 4th Wednesday of every month)**  
**11:00 - 11:30 am**

Where: **Delaware Main Library**  
84 E. Winter St. Delaware, 43015  
Who: Children ages 0-5 of all abilities  
and their caregivers

Cost: Free with no registration required  
For more information, please contact  
Kelly Cochran at 740-362-3861 or  
Bethany Mirka at 740-666-2222 or  
[tbmirka@hotmail.com](mailto:tbmirka@hotmail.com).

## The Buddy Walk - Save the Date

**\*\*New venue this year!\*\***

The DSACO (Down Syndrome Association of Central Ohio) Buddy Walk will be held on **Sunday, September 29th, from 9am - 2pm** at The Fortress located at 2015 Recreation Trail, Columbus, Ohio 43207. At the 2019 Columbus Buddy Walk, you will join more than 12,000 walkers from all over Ohio to unite for a common cause and raise funds to support the Down Syndrome Association of Central Ohio.

Event occurs, rain or shine!

For details on registration or volunteering, call DSACO at 614-263-6020 or register at [www.ds-stride.org](http://www.ds-stride.org).



## Strand Movie Theater - Sensory Series

**“The Secret Life of Pets 2”**

**Saturday, June 15th, 10:00am**

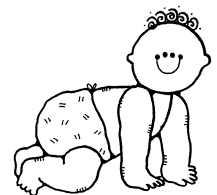
Doors open at 9:30am

The 3rd Saturday of each month, The Strand Movie Theater provides showings for children, families, and adults in the community who may benefit from an alternative movie experience, such as our patrons on the autism spectrum or those living with other special needs. We turn up the lights, turn down the sound and welcome singing, dancing, movement, and any creative expression! Join us **every third Saturday of the month** and spread the word! **Free small popcorn and canned beverage for each person attending** provided by the Autism Society of Central Ohio.

The Strand Movie Theater is located at 28 E Winter Street, Delaware, 43015. For questions, please call 740-816-1938.



*Have suggestions or comments about this newsletter? Do you have an upcoming event that you would like to have included in the next issue? Please contact Bethany Mirka, the Family Liaison to the Early Intervention Program of the Delaware County Board of Developmental Disabilities, at 740-666-2222 or [tbmirka@hotmail.com](mailto:tbmirka@hotmail.com).*



[www.dcbdd.org](http://www.dcbdd.org)

The website for the Delaware County Board of Developmental Disabilities

## Sensory Sensitive Sunday at

**Chuck E. Cheese's**

**Sunday, June 2nd, 9:00 am - 10:00 am**  
**2711 Martin Rd, Dublin, 43017**

Now offered locally at the Dublin location! Chuck E. Cheese's is proud to support families who have children with special needs. On the first Sunday of each month, Chuck E. Cheese's will open early for a sensory-friendly experience. Trained and caring staff is there to make sure each guest has a fun filled visit. The Sensory Sensitive Sundays experience includes:

1. No admission fees
2. Dimmed lighting, less crowding and noise
3. Show and music turned off or down
4. Limited appearances by Chuck E.
5. Food and games are offered. However, parents are permitted to bring snacks for their children if needed due to dietary restrictions during Sensory Sensitive Sundays.

For more information, please call Chuck E. Cheese's at 614-791-9480.

## Toy Lending Library

Strengthening Families Initiative through United Way of Delaware County

Children learn from the time they are born and there is no better way to grow than through play! This toy lending library provides opportunities for families and education providers to engage with toys and games centered around fine motor skills, sensory, vocal recognition, balance, STEM education, and dramatic play. Through creative play, children from birth to five will have the opportunity to connect and learn! For more information, call 740-417-4733. Located on the **second floor of the Willis Education Center, 74 West William Street, Delaware 43015.**

**HOURS:**

**Tuesday - 11:00 am - 3:00 pm**

**Wednesday - 11:00 am - 3:00 pm**

**Thursday - 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm**