



HELEN R. WALTON
**CHILDREN'S ENRICHMENT
CENTER**

News & Notes



Apr. 2015
Issue 111



Employee of the Month



Courtney Samson,
Assistant Teacher
Infants

A WHOLE-CHILD APPROACH



CONTACT INFO
1701 NE Wildcat Way
Bentonville, AR
72712

Ph: 479.273.3552
Fax: 479.271.6803

WWW.HWCEC.ORG

Arkansas Children's Week

Arkansas Children's Week is an opportunity to raise awareness about early childhood. Each year centers around a specific theme. This year...

Zoning in on Construction April 13-17

Children of all ages will engage in a plethora of activities throughout the week. So what's in store?

Monday, April 13

Books on construction and materials will be infused into learning centers to support learning.

Parents will be given a sticker to wear supporting AR Children's Week. A special note of appreciation to Angie Smith and A.W. Bravis for donating the stickers.



Tuesday, April 14

Community Helper: Jeremy Carr, Master Plumber – hands-on water activities, a walk to see where water goes, and a story.



Wednesday, April 15

East Harding Construction Day! Children will have the opportunity to explore construction vehicles. Preschoolers will get to design a city from cardboard boxes. Older infants and toddlers will "build a house" using golf tees and Styrofoam. Then... ice cream from the Breyers Truck. Thank you East Harding and Breyers for donating time, materials and treats to bring construction learning to life.



Thursday, April 16

Big Rig Day! Rigs and trailers from Walmart, Tyson's and JB Hunt will roll in for children to actively explore! BIG thanks to all three companies!



More to come for Friday!

Bagels and Coffee



April 13

6:00 – 8:30 a.m.

Assorted Panera Bagels,
Cream Cheese and Coffee

Make a contribution of
\$3 (or more) and support
scholarships for HWCEC students
and enjoy a great breakfast!



A BIG thank you to Panera for
donating bagels and cream
cheese – fabulous partner in
supporting quality education for
young children and happy
tummies!

PAC Meeting

(Parent Advisory Committee)

Wednesday, April 8

Noon

Feel free to bring your lunch!

First Aid/CPR

At HWCEC, EVERY staff member is
certified and remains current in First
Aid/CPR. Additionally, we have a
defibrillator for infant/child and
adult life saving needs. Safety is our
priority!

Scholarship Update

Our philosophy at HWCEC is that EVERY
child should have equal access to high
quality early childhood experiences.

Consider making a donation today at:

hwcec.org

**click the “donate” button at the
bottom of the homepage**

GOAL:



To date, we have
raised **\$70,697**,
but are still
\$79,303 away
from our goal. If
you are able to
lend your support
or engage your
company for this
effort, please
contact Kristen
Herbert at
kherbert@hwce
nter.com.

Employee of the Month



Courtney Samson, Asst. Teacher

“Sweet blessing! A teacher had to
perform the Heimlich on my sweet boy
... as a pear got stuck during lunch. For
her I'm grateful that this blessing is still
here with me this afternoon!! I love you
Grayson Lane!! Thank you Lord for my
baby & for Miss Courtney!” with a
breath of relief from a mom.

Courtney has been a valuable team
member since September 2012. She has
completed 115 hours of early childhood
education courses.

The “D” Word

Do you really want your child to
attend “daycare” or be “babysat” all
day? Of course not! So what’s the
difference?

EARLY CHILDHOOD provides the
following:

1. Nurturing, well-educated and
experienced teachers
2. High quality learning
environment
3. Curriculum that supports the
development of social,
emotional, cognitive and
physical skills
4. High quality programmatic
standards
5. Strong business practices

The next time someone asks what
“daycare” does your child attend,
answer with “my child doesn’t
attend daycare. He attends an early
childhood center.”

Early Childhood FACTOID

Did you know that if a child attends
at least one year in a high quality
early childhood program, he/she is 3
times more likely to graduate from
high school than his/her peer?

Early childhood matters!

