



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

# News & Notes



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## Employee of the Month



**Blair Clark**  
Infant Lead Teacher

## A WHOLE-CHILD APPROACH



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## Extra-Curricular Scholarships

Fall is fast approaching and soon the new school year will begin – and so will extra-curricular activities.

Preschool children have the opportunity to enroll in fee-based programs such as:

- TumbleBus (gymnastics)
- Jitterbugs (dance)
- Happy Feet (soccer)
- Spanish
- Reach for Literacy (1 on 1 reading)

We want to ensure every child has an ability to participate in an extra-curricular program. Therefore, **HWCEC offers Extra-Curricular Scholarships**. Scholarships are allocated in the following manner:

- Families receiving DHS Vouchers can choose one activity and will receive a **100% paid scholarship** (which means you pay nothing)
- Families receiving a tuition scholarship can choose one activity and will receive a **50% paid scholarship**
- Additional scholarships may be available **based on income and/or a hardship**.

If you are interested in an Extra-Curricular Scholarship, please pick up an application

at the front desk. The application is a simple one page process.

Extra-Curricular Scholarships and Tuition Scholarships are funded in full by private donors and grants. This means that weekly tuition does not fund scholarships in any manner.

## Evacuation Site

In the event of an emergency, we want you to have the latest information possible.

Isolated incidents (i.e. gas leak): Children will be escorted to the Melvin Ford Aquatic Center's parking lot.

Community wide emergency (i.e. tornado) HWCEC will provide extended care until parents can reach us. The secondary location is:

The First Presbyterian Church  
901 NE J Street  
Bentonville, AR 72712  
479-273-5450

Located on NE J Street between Central Avenue & Tiger Boulevard.

## Ice Cream Social

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Saturday, August 13  
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Meet your teachers, see your child's classroom, and gain important class information. Extra-Curricular program representatives will be present to discuss activities, benefits, and registration.

## PAC Meeting

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(Parent Advisory Committee)  
Wednesday, July 13  
HWCEC at Noon  
Feel free to bring your lunch!

## School Start Date

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HWCEC will begin the new school year on Monday, August 15.

The last day for graduating Pre-K students will be Friday, August 12.

## Fourth of July

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HWCEC will be closed on Monday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. Have a safe and blessed holiday!



## PAC News

Hey parents! Happy July! This summer is flying by, and before you know it, our kiddos will be starting a new year, probably in a new class!

The Parents Advocacy Committee needs your help! We plan fun events for the teachers and students throughout the year (holidays, Teacher Appreciation Week, etc). We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month (location changes) at lunchtime to discuss any upcoming plans.

If you are interested in joining us or donating to our committee, please contact Becky Schoewe, Angie Smith or Alison Nation.

## Employee of the Month

### Blair Clark, Infant Assistant Teacher

"We are so thankful for Blair. She is so great with our daughter. It made going back to work easier. Blair truly goes above and beyond for the babies. Words cannot express how thankful we are for her. I feel comfortable that our child is getting the best care possible!" sigh of relief from a Mom.

"Blair really connected with my child when she was in the infant room. She always had a funny story to share, knew my girl well and could get a smile out of her. My daughter has moved into an older classroom, but she is still always so happy to see her and hold her when I drop her off in the GMR before 7am. I really enjoy her current teachers as well, but I know I can nominate them at a later date," states a happy Mom.

Blair has been part of the team for more than 6 years!

## 25th Annual Parade

HWCEC enjoyed hosting the Fourth of July Parade! It's hard to believe this has been a tradition for 25 years!

