

Chowan/Perquimans Smart Start Partnership

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Mission: To enhance early childhood development and school readiness.

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Chowan/Perquimans Smart Start Partnership Celebrates 25 Years!

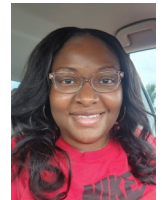


On June 12th, the Partnership celebrated the 25th Anniversary at The Herringbone in Edenton. Past and Present Board Members along with many community partners were invited to attend the celebration. Staff provided a slideshow highlighting Smart Start's activities over the past 25 years. Over 40 people attended including several Board Members and past Board Chairs - Dr. Allan Smith, Richard Bunch, Dr. Jay Fortenbery, Dr. Landon Mason, and Carole L. Sykes.



Early Childhood Teacher Receives Educational Award

Congratulations to TyShenna Spruill, Chowan County Head Start, who received a Project EDU Educational Award for working towards her Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education.



Childcare Appreciation Event Huge Success!

Over 60 Childcare Providers attended this year's Childcare Appreciation Event held on May 14 at the College of the Albemarle -Edenton Campus. This year's theme was "Music through the Decades". Many Providers received Awards including the following - Compliance Awards: Chowan Early Learning Center, Chowan Head Start, Countryside Care, M&E Preschool, and Out of the Box Childcare. Academics Excellence Awards: Erica Gaylord, Cassandra Pierce, Jennifer Rexroad, Kiara Skinner, and TyShenna Spruill. Technical Assistance Awards: Robin Holley, Linda Knott, Makitta McLean, Peggy Modlin, Carolyn Rankins, Angela Riddick, Joan Watts, Barbara White, Joan White, Arlene Yates. Outstanding Achievement Award: Maurice Downing.



Parenting is quite the adventure, isn't it?
We've got your back!

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For **FREE Parenting Tips** to support your child's **growth** physically, intellectually, emotionally.



English



Porque los Niños no nacen con Instrucciones

Envía **NCKIDS** al 274 448 y construye **Vínculos más fuertes** con tus hijos



Spanish



Bright by Text is a NEW program that parents/caregivers can join free to receive 2-3 text messages a week that will provide free parenting tips, encouragement, and suggestions to help promote their child's development. Participants will also receive information on local community resources.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Program: Enroll your child to receive a free book in the mail every month! Available from birth until their 5th Birthday. Visit the website ImaginationLibrary.com or call Likesia Hall to register.





Playgroup—Kaleidoscope Play & Learn Helps Caregivers Promote School Readiness Skills

Parents, Caregivers, and Young Children in our playgroup are provided weekly lessons centered around promoting early childhood development, healthy living, and school readiness skills. Participants recently learned about letters, and matching capital and lowercase letters to each other. Each week our facilitators provide a different lesson along with an activity that reinforces learning. Registration for the playgroup is required—please contact Likesia Hall for more information.

PLAYGROUP

Tuesdays at 10:00 – 11:30

2024	Library		2025	Library
August 20 th & 27 th	Shepard-Pruden Library		January	Shepard-Pruden Library
September	Perquimans County Library		February	Perquimans County Library
October	Shepard-Pruden Library		March	Shepard-Pruden Library
November (All Tuesdays except for 11/5)	Perquimans County Library		April	Perquimans County Library
December	Holiday Break No playgroups		May	Shepard-Pruden Library
			June 3 rd & 10 th	Perquimans County Library



BABY Classes for expecting parents will begin on September 12. Mothers attending at least 10 classes will receive a free car seat for their child! Register with Likesia Hall at 252-482-3035 or email lhall.cpssp@gmail.com

Toys for Tots Applications will be accepted October 1– 31 only. Applications may be downloaded from our website or may be picked up at the office.



For free activity ideas visit: booksbythebushel.com, Sesamestreet.org, pnc.com/grow-up-great, handsonaswegrow.com, ReadAloud.org, getreadytoread.org. For information about community resources call 211, or contact Sarah Williams.