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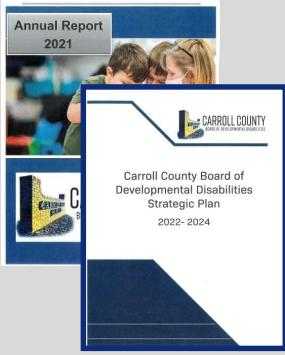
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Celebrating Our 2022 Graduate!

Carroll Hills School has one graduate this year, Mr. Issac Russell. Issac is ready to move on from high school and make his mark on the world!

Issac has made progress in many areas of his life. He's a valued member of the high school class and the work study program. He worked hard to improve his reading, math and vocational skills. Issac enjoys participating in community events and can independently complete many cooking and cleaning activities.

Issac has faced many difficult obstacles in his lifetime but overcoming them has helped him become stronger and more independent. While we will truly miss him, we are so excited for his future.

We love you, Issac. Good luck!

The High School Classroom Staff and Students
CCBDD Staff





Matt Campbell, Superintendent

On April 21, 2021, the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities Technology First rule went into effect. Some of you may recall 2012's Employment First rule and may be wondering if we have shifted priorities. However, it is not a debate about which initiative is first (employment or technology). It is a philosophy that Ohio is a Technology First state, which means Remote Support must be considered as the first option when authorizing services for a person with disabilities before authorizing on-site Homemaker/Personal Care staff.

This means technology is explored and documented throughout the initial and ongoing person-centered assessment and planning process (individual service plan). The Service and Support Administrator will have a conversation to identify why a person uses direct care staff, and if their health and safety needs can be met remotely. A team meeting will be held to discuss how the person's needs can be met remotely. If the person chooses Remote Support, they will be given free choice of an agency provider. That provider will act as back up to remote supports. The Remote Support vendor will provide the person and their family, team, and agency provider training about the Remote Support equipment. Remote Support uses two-way communication in real time, like Skype or FaceTime, so a person can communicate with their providers when they need them.

Remote Support can be provided one-on-one or as a group service. Remote Support may be used with paid or unpaid backup support. So, what are examples of Remote Technology? Cooking safety, overnight support, medication adherence, fall detection, visitor monitoring, and community navigation. Remote support devices include sensors such as motion detectors, door and window sensors, smoke, and carbon monoxide detectors, fall sensors and cameras that show who is at the door. Most of you are familiar with these safety devices since many of us use them in our own homes. The difference here is these devices are monitored by a provider and will contact the person if issues are detected and send help if needed.

The County Board is also preparing for the new Ohio Individual Service Plan. CCBDD is required to move all current Individual Service Plans to the new Ohio Individual Service Plan format beginning September 2022. This transition must be completed by September 2023. This will provide a standard plan across all 88 Ohio counties; making it easier for families and providers, especially those who move or receive services across county lines.

The Board is hiring more staff to assist with increased adults and children with disabilities. We will soon have seven Service and Support Administrators to meet family's needs. This is an increase from six last year. We hired an additional developmental specialist since the Early Intervention caseload went from twenty children to sixty children this year. We are also extending Early Intervention services from birth to two to birth to five years old. The Board will also hire an additional job coach while still working on increasing provider's capacity to perform job coaching services.

We had another successful school year. The Board continues to look at ways to address gaps in services. We have increased contracted behavior support services. The Board wants to address all gaps and barriers to services to ensure proper care is provided. We are thankful for your support which allows us to address these issues properly.

Special Olympics

The Special Olympics program has had a busy spring and summer. The track team practiced two times a week and ended the season with a meet in Tuscarawas County. They brought home several ribbons and awards. The bocce team has three meets scheduled and will wrap up a successful season with a meet at the end of June. The bowling season ended in early June with family bowling. June 16th kicks off golf season. Once again, golf will be at Carroll Meadows with practices on Thursdays. Plans are already underway for the next season of basketball, cheerleading and bowling. The fun never stops! Penny Hodgson was recently hired as Community Network Coordinator. Part of her duties are also Special Olympics Coordinator. She is learning a lot and will be taking over soon, so please join me in welcoming Penny. I am not going anywhere; I will still be at the school and will remain active in Special Olympics, even as a spectator. For now, if you have questions about Special Olympics, please call me at the school 330-627-7651. Go Cougars!

Ryan Buck



Penny Hodgson

I was thrilled when offered the position of Community Network Coordinator/Special Olympics Coordinator and to be welcomed into the amazing team at the Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities. I have two adult children, Zander is 27 and Mitchell is 25, and one fur baby, Neva. Mitchell has been involved

with the CCBDD program since he was three years old. (time sure flies, right?!) I am so thankful for the positive impact this program has had on my son and my entire family. I am super excited to begin promoting self advocacy and Special Olympics with our individuals and in the community. GO COUGARS!

Carroll County People First Meeting





From the Principal

As one school year closes, another quickly begins. Carroll Hills

School graduated around 30 preschoolers and one high school student. I wish everyone a fun and healthy summer. Plans are already in the works for the next school year. The school is being cleaned and supplies are being purchased. Office staff summer hours are 7:00 am – 3:00 pm, feel free to call if you need assistance. Also, yearbooks from the 2021-2022 school year ready for pick up. Carroll Hills Council purchased a yearbook for each student that attended the 21-22 school year. Thank you to Carroll Hills Council! A summer camp for preschoolers will begin in July. The Carroll County Board of DD will have a booth and The Tot Spot at the Carroll County Fair this year, so stop by and say hello. See you all in August!

Ryan Buck



2022-23 - School Schedule

August 15-17 School Staff Inservice

August 18 - First Day of School-Age Program



Preschool 1 - Schools out for

Schools out! The year ended with two exciting days in preschool 1. The spring field trip was a tour of Harry London/Fannie May chocolate factory. This was an awesome experience, and my students had a blast exploring and tasting chocolate. On the last day of school, we were able to have what the kids said was, "The best day of preschool ever!" water day. The students played on water slides, ran through sprinklers and engaged in many other water themed activities throughout the day. There were so many memories made, all while learning and having lots of fun. This group of kids will always hold an incredibly special place in my heart, and I cannot wait to see the mountains they will move in their future. Have a great summer and see you in the fall!

Mackenzie Malone PS1



Play, Learn and Grow Together~Play, Learn and Grow Together~Play, Learn and Grow Together



Preschool 2 - What a GREAT YEAR!!

The students became such good friends this year! In the month of May, we were busy hunting treasure, writing books, going on field trips, observing butterflies, and making memories. Parents were invited to a Starbooks – Meet the Author Day, and every student enjoyed reading his/her book to family members. The students loved listening to Miss Marsha read them a story and enjoyed a tour of the behind-the-scenes places at Carrollton Public Library. Our trip to Harry London's Chocolate Factory was a sweet success! Students posed for one last picture with our crow George. I am so very proud of all the progress that every student made this school year and wish the very best for the preschool graduates.

Mary Service, PS2



Pre-K

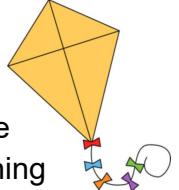


Pre-K students ended the year learning letters, numbers, shapes, 3-D shapes and so much more! They also made friendships, had dance parties, told jokes and had so many laughs. The students have worked so hard this year and had so much fun celebrating their accomplishments. As the year came to an end, we decided to do the ABC countdown to summer. Each day we reviewed a letter of the alphabet and planned a special activity. We started at A, arts and crafts and ended with Z, ZOOMing out of Pre-K party. Eight students graduated and are on their way to kindergarten. I am so proud of each and every one of them and cannot wait to see them succeed in elementary school. The pre-k staff wishes everyone a happy and healthy summer.

Kaitlyn Carte Pre-K



Intermediate Class



It's hard to believe that the school year has come to an end. The final days in the intermediate class flew by with days full of learning and fun. The warm days provided students with several outdoor learning activities. We explored the science of wind through flying kites. The kids planted basil and learned about how worms help the soil for plants. This was accompanied by collecting worms and creating a worm habitat in our classroom. No worm exploration would be complete without dirt pudding! The students also made a bubble recipe that allowed them to catch the bubbles in their hands. It was fun to record how many times they could bounce the bubbles off their hands before they popped. The highlight of the end of year activities was the class field trip to The Greater Cleveland Aquarium.

I am so proud of all the accomplishments each student has made this year. Here's to a safe and happy summer. I can't wait to see everyone again in the fall.

Ms. Kristi Talarico

Look
close
you will
see the
bouncing
bubble



100 Mile Club at Carroll Hills School

Carroll Hills School started its 100-mile journey six years ago with the purpose of encouraging special needs children to get healthier by walking. The school installed a new outside walking track because of the program's success, allowing students and staff to enjoy the beautiful outdoors while building healthy habits. Each year, students look forward to accomplishing their goal and obtaining a t-shirt to honor their achievement at the end of the school year.

We have been involved and going strong since 2016, creating healthy, happy, connected kids and families one MILE and one sMILE at a time!

During the month of May, The 100 Mile Club awarded Carroll Hills School The Golden School of the Week Award.

Coach Jennifer Collins



Fun day when Adaptive Sports Ohio visited Carroll Hills School



Jen Collins coordinated a visit from Adaptive Sports Ohio to Carroll Hills School. Students were introduced to and played wheelchair basketball. It was a great educational tool while also having some fun.



Adaptive Sports Ohio was founded in 2009 by Chief Executive Officer, Lisa Followay. The idea of the organization was inspired by Lisa's son, Casey (pictured), who was born with Spina Bifida, and always wanted to play sports. "Adaptive sports gave Casey the chance to play like his peers. It benefited him, immensely. I knew that others with disabilities should have the opportunity to gain those benefits as well and that is why Adaptive Sports Ohio was born. Our vision is that youth and adults across Ohio should have access to sports in their communities and schools. No one should be denied the chance to play," said Lisa.

In the 11 years since the organization's inception, Adaptive Sports Ohio has grown to serve hundreds of physically impaired youth and adults across the state through an abundance of competitive and recreational sports. The best is yet to come. To learn more, check out their website <https://adaptivesportsohio.org/> or Facebook Adaptive Sports Ohio.



In the Spotlight

Sonya Livengood

Sonya has been moving closer to her goal of becoming an independent and responsible member of the community. In March 2021, Sonya began attending Carrollton Starlight Enterprises day program where she made great progress while learning self-advocacy skills. In August 2021, Sonya advocated to move out of her family home and into the community with a roommate. Even though household chores can be difficult at times, she's loved every second of her newfound independence and still feels this a positive move. Sonya attends four of the five day site providers in Carroll County with a goal of making enough money to obtain a cell phone plan of her own. She works in the kitchen at St. John's Villa, at the FFA Camp with Starlight Enterprises, cleans bathrooms at Mayle Homes Lakehouse and shreds paper at Carroll Hills Industries. Sonya recently began working with OOD (Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities) to find a community job. She chose "You Belong" as her provider and obtained a job at Wendy's within a month of working with them. Sonya has completed orientation and began working in May. Excellent job Sonya, we know you can do it!



Spring Dance

Carroll Hills Council sponsored their first dance since COVID it was wonderful to see all those smiling faces. Thank you to DJ, Chelsea Householder, Photographer, Kristen Long, and to all those who helped make the evening a success.



Early Intervention Carroll County Community Baby Shower!



Our Developmental Specialist, Jessica, and the entire Early Intervention Team have been doing a great job finding more families for EI services and we are growing more and more each day. So much so that a second Developmental Specialist will be hired soon. Plans are to have someone in place early summer and introduce them to the public. Early Intervention hosted a Community Baby Shower event at Carroll Hills School on June 11th. Several community agencies attended and provided information about the available resources in our community. It was well attended and received. Spiderman and Snow White were also in attendance! We cannot wait to host this event again next year.

Early Intervention staff will be at the Carroll County Fair in The Tot Spot, please stop by and visit.



Jessica Lafferty at Tot Spot
2021 Fair



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Thank you to all who supported the People First Advocacy Group Bake Sale at Carroll Hills Baby Shower event. Whether you donated baked goods, time, money, etc., it was greatly appreciated!

Penny Hodgson

Summer Jet Program

The summer JET (Job Exploration and Training) program started on 6/13/2022. This program focuses on youth ages 14 to 21 giving real life, paid work experience to participants. This summer, 13 students from various school districts are working at local businesses for six weeks. Along with working in the community, this group is also washing cars every Friday at the County Board Office. The car detailing service has been very popular with the community in the past. The JET program provides training and offers job experience to students to help them prepare and work towards their career goals in the future.

Shannan Boone, Director of Family Services



Ability @ Work Community Employment



Thomas Meagher and Morgan Edmonds are currently job training at the Carroll County Senior Citizens Friendship Center with a CCBDD Job Coach. Both are doing a great job and are hoping this opportunity could lead them to part time job status with this establishment.

Keep up the good work!

Reva Castelucci, Job Coach



Nurse Kim's Summer Tip

Prevent Tick-Borne Disease

Ticks have been around a long time. As a matter of fact, back to the Cretaceous period, which dates from 66 million to 144 million years ago. Dinosaurs dominated the land.



More than 90 species of ticks occur in the continental US. Ticks can cause diseases, infection, parasites or viruses that are spread by the bite of an infected tick. The most common are Lyme Disease, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, Ehrlichiosis, Babesiosis and Anaplasmosis. In Ohio, the types of ticks that can cause disease are the American dog tick which can transmit Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, the blacklegged tick also known as the "deer tick" which can transmit Lyme disease, anaplasmosis and parasites that cause babesiosis, and the lone star tick that can transmit the bacteria that can cause ehrlichiosis.

Symptoms of tick-borne disease include fever and/or chills, headache, muscle pain, general tiredness, joint pain and stiff neck.

Most tick-borne diseases are diagnosed through laboratory blood tests.

Treatment can be treated with antibiotics although Babesiosis is treated with antiprotozoal drugs.

Tick-borne diseases can be prevented by dressing properly (light colored clothes, pants tucked in socks and long sleeved shirt), wearing an insect repellent like DEET and performing tick checks! Remove ticks from clothes before going indoors. Bath or shower as soon as possible after coming indoors and to conduct a full body tick check. Safely remove any found ticks, by shielding fingers with a paper towel or use tweezers. Grasp the tick close to the skin. With steady pressure, pull the tick straight up and out. Avoid crushing the tick. Do not use a hot match, cigarette, nail polish, petroleum jelly or other products to remove a tick. After removing, thoroughly disinfect the bite site and wash hands with soap and water.

Most people bitten by a tick will not get a disease. Not all ticks are infected with diseases. Ticks that are infected, usually have to be attached to the host for several hours to several days to transmit disease. Prompt removal will significantly reduce the risk of infection. If you do develop symptoms following a tick, see your physician.

Ticks can also be identified by the Carroll County Health Department. You can contact them at (330) 627-4866 and speak to the Environmental Department to schedule a time to bring in the tick in a zip lock bag to be identified. Please note that they do not do any testing on the tick to see if it carries disease/infection.



Carroll County Board of
Developmental Disabilities
Strategic Plan
2022-2024



CCBDD 2022-2024 Strategic Plan

The Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities has been supporting children and adults with developmental disabilities for over 50 years. CCBDD provides quality services to individuals with developmental disabilities by assessing their needs and creating individual plans. We help integrate individuals with developmental disabilities into their community as valued citizens who live, work and play together. The Board is blessed with financial support from our community which allows us to meet community needs.

It is our intention, that this Strategic Plan takes our services to the next level over the next three years. CCBDD is becoming more person-centered as we focus on providing meaningful services to empower, engage and support through personalized opportunities. We appreciate the Carroll County community and will continue to collaborate with community partners. As an agency, we will also focus on utilizing technology to improve services and find new ways to support the committed, caring staff who form the foundation of our organization.

Matt Campbell, Superintendent



To view the 2022-2024 Strategic Plan visit our website: http://carrollcbdd.org/CarrollCBDD_infomation.php?About-Strategic-Plan



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Promoting positive awareness of people
with developmental disabilities

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UPCOMING EVENTS



- 7/04/22 - Independence Day Observed - Program Closed
- 8/15-17/22 - School Staff Inservice - 8:00-3:00 pm
- 8/18/22 - First Day of School for School-Age Program
- 9/05/22 - Labor Day - Entire Program Closed
- 9/23/22 - 2 Hour Delay - School Only
- 10/10/22 - Columbus Day Observed—Entire Program Closed
- 10/21/22 - All Staff Inservice - Entire Program Closed
- 11/11/22 - Veteran's Day Observed - Entire Program Closed
- 11/15/22 - Parent /Teacher Conference 3:30– 7:00 pm
- 11/17/22 - Parent /Teacher Conference 3:30– 7:00 pm
- 11/23/22 - School Closed - Conference Comp Day
- 11/24-25/22 - Thanksgiving Holiday - Entire Program Closed
- 11/28/22 - Entire Program Closed
- 12/09/22 - 2 Hour Delay - School Only
- 12/19/22—01/02/2023 - Christmas Break for School
- 12/22/22—01/02/2023 - Christmas Break for Entire Program

