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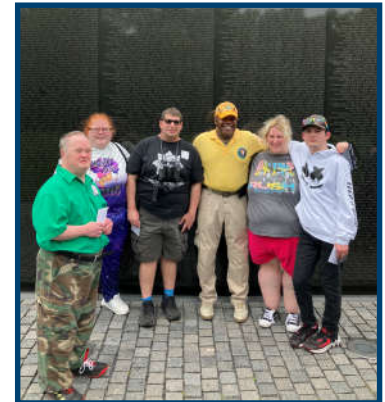


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People First Advocacy Washington DC Trip!



Eleven People First members traveled to Washington DC in June. A nice charter bus picked us up at 8:00 am on Wednesday, June 5th and returned us at 9:00 pm on Saturday, June 8th. The group was able to see many memorials and monuments such as the Washington Monument, President Lincoln Memorial, the White House, Jefferson Memorial, the Capital Building, the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History, the Kennedy Center, the WWII memorial, US Marine Corps War Memorial, the Vietnam War Memorial, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial, President Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial, and several other sites! We shopped in the Union Train Station and ate dinner at an Italian Pizzeria.

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Matt Campbell, Superintendent



2024 is very busy year as we are in the planning process for the 2025 - 2027 CCBDD Strategic Plan and an accreditation review by the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities is scheduled for December 12th and 13th. The Board held a SWOT analysis (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats) with all staff on Friday May 31, 2024. The next strategic plan workdays are June 26th and 27th at Carroll Hills School. This two-day event will examine the data from surveys and the SWOT analysis to develop the next strategic plan. Thank you to everyone who provided input to move our organization forward.

The Board continues to work with Ohio Network for Innovation (ONI), a non-profit organization that manages houses for people with disabilities. Recently, ONI sold the house on Radar Avenue and purchased a home on 2nd Street. The residents in the 4th Street house have moved to the recently obtained 2nd Street home. ONI plans to sell the 4th Street residence and is hoping to purchase another home better suited to the needs of those we serve. Renovations at the 7th Street property are complete with future plans to stain or paint the deck, replace a screen door, grind a stump, and landscape. These homes allow for people with disabilities to live in the community with reasonable rents. The Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities provides capital housing dollars to purchase, build, and renovate homes.

Carroll Hills School completed another successful school year. I don't say this enough, but I really do appreciate each and every staff member. Our staff work hard while providing a safe learning environment for our students and adults.

May 31, 2024, was a bittersweet day. We said goodbye and also congratulations to Linda Miller, a long-time CCBDD staff of 22 years. Linda was a great staff who was calm, dedicated, hardworking, and always seen with a smile. She was hired in 2002 as a Bus Aide then promoted to Workshop Specialist. Years later, Linda moved to Carroll Hills School to work as a Preschool Classroom Aide. Linda ended her career in a job she loved. Thank you, Linda, for being an inspiration, enjoy your retirement!

2024 CCBDD Board Members

John Trunk, *Ohio Association of County Boards of Developmental Disabilities*, (OACB) conducted an in-service with Board members on May 25, 2024. The topics included a summary of the many services available to Board members from the association, an overview of Board member duties and responsibilities, and a summary of current legislation that is important for the Board to track.



Pictured Front—L-R: Kristen Long, Secretary, Back row: Diana Strader, Vice President, Debra Shaw, President, Sally Ferrell, Deb Postlewaite, Katie Bailey and Matt Campbell, Superintendent.



Pictured at presentation L-R: Debra Shaw, Diana Strader, John

ANOTHER SCHOOL YEAR IN THE BOOKS!

Another school year in the books! The 2023-2024 school year was a great year and all our students learned so much. Over 30 preschoolers graduated and are on their way to Kindergarten. We wish them and their families the best of luck. Student yearbooks from the 23-24 school year will be available soon. Please call the school, 330-627-7651, to arrange pick up. Plans for the 2024-2025 school year are already underway. Changes for the upcoming school year include an additional school age classroom that will split the two older classrooms into smaller groups. We will also be going to two preschool classrooms that are both half day AM/PM classes. First day for school-age students is Monday, August 19th. First day for preschool is Monday, August 26th. Have a safe and healthy summer. Go Cougars!

Ryan Buck, Director of Educational Services



Academy Leadership Abilities and Student Empowerment Program

CCBDD is growing the Academy for Leadership Abilities and Student Empowerment program. Staff met with Carrollton Middle School faculty in April with hopes of expanding the program within the district. Carrollton Schools welcome the opportunity and are excited to expand the program to reach their younger students. We will begin implementing ALA/Student Empowerment Groups in the 2024-2025 school year for Carrollton Middle School students.

The County Board and MEORC are working together to produce a video explaining ALA and Student Empowerment while also highlighting students as they describe what the program means to them. Once it's completed, it will be posted on carrollcbdd.org and Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities Facebook page.



Plans are also underway to offer ALA Mobile to community provider agencies. Academy for Leadership Abilities is designed to help participants see their value by focusing on strengths, not weaknesses. By adding value to those around us, we will make our schools better, our workforce stronger, and our communities connected. Participants are challenged to learn HOW to think, not WHAT to think. ALA sessions can be a life changer for those involved. We are excited for the future of ALA and Student Empowerment!

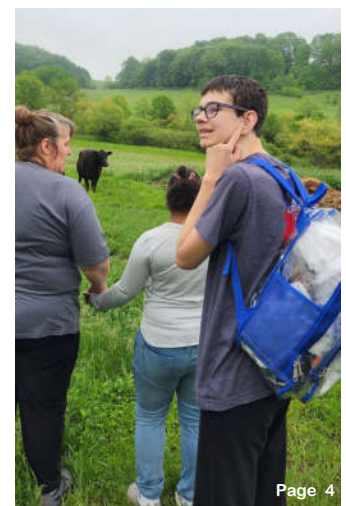
Shannan Boone, Director of Family Supports

Exceptional Olympic

High school students traveled to Perry High School to participate in the Exceptional Olympics on May 10, 2024. So much fun!



They also took a field trip to visit the animals on the Rohr's farm in May.



Elementary Class

School's out for Summer!



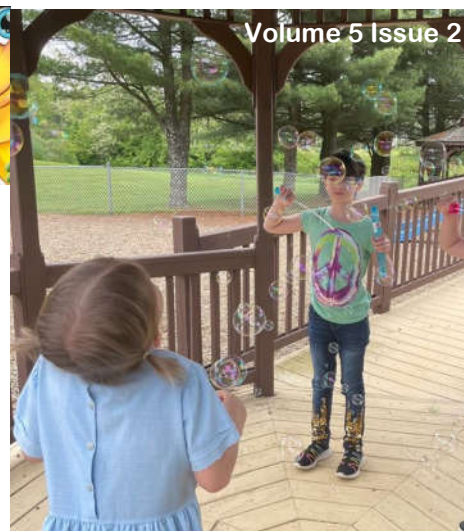
It's hard to believe that another school year has ended. The final weeks leading up to summer break have gone by quickly. The warmer weather has provided the elementary students with new opportunities for learning and outdoor fun.

We learned about plants and planted radishes, cucumbers, and morning glories in our garden. It was also a nice surprise to discover that the pumpkin seeds we planted in the fall were beginning to sprout.

The final days before summer break were spent visiting a splash park, enjoying the animals at a petting zoo, experimenting with bubbles, and making our own ice cream.

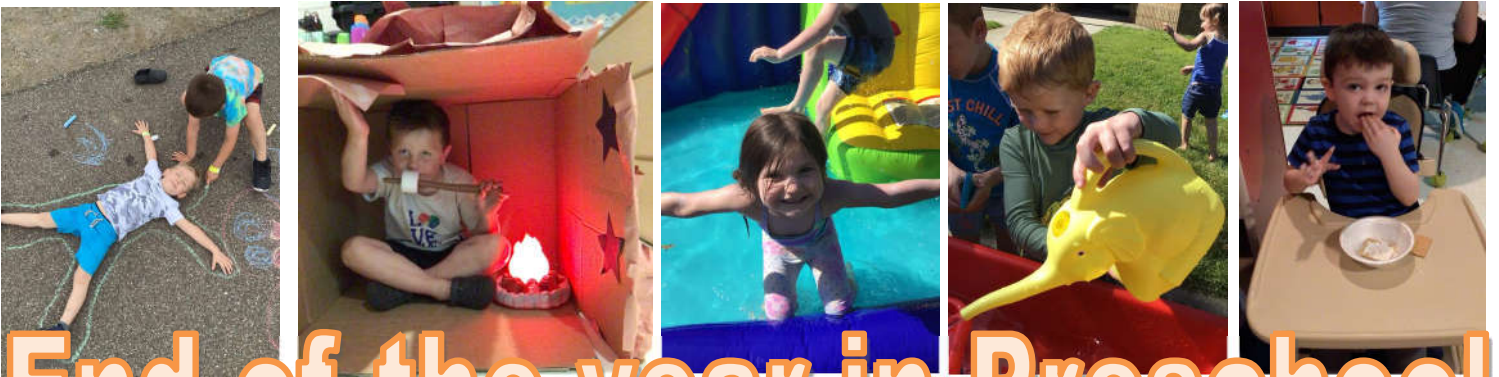
I'm so proud of the growth that each student has made this year. Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable summer. I can't wait to see everyone in the fall!

Ms. Kristi Talarico



We ended the school year with a splash in Pre-K! To celebrate the end of the school year, we held our annual water day at the school. The students loved every minute of it, specially making sure that I (their teacher), got absolutely soaked! We were so happy to have such a wonderful group of kids this year. There was never a dull moment which made for memories that we will never forget. I wish each of my students the best of luck as they move to kindergarten and cannot wait to see what each of them achieve as they grow. Mrs. Malone





End of the year in Preschool

As I reflect on the end of the year, I am amazed. Our scholars are kind, caring, helpful, creative, and so very smart. I am so thankful to have been their teacher and so proud to be a Carroll Hills teacher. Our community grows together, helps one another, and works well together. It's a truly beautiful thing to see. Thank you to our wonderful families helping our scholars grow into the young people they are. I am so thankful for our field trip, camping unit, time at the beach, and having the opportunity to celebrate our scholars move to their next adventure. I hope everyone enjoys their summer and I look forward to seeing you in the fall!

Mrs. Schockling



2024 Preschool Graduates

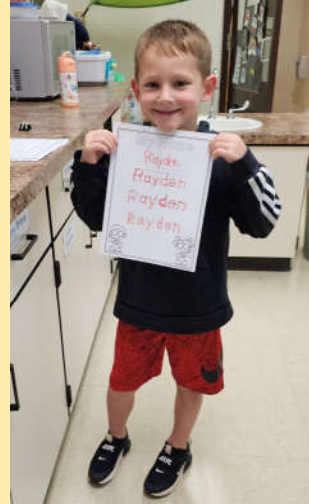
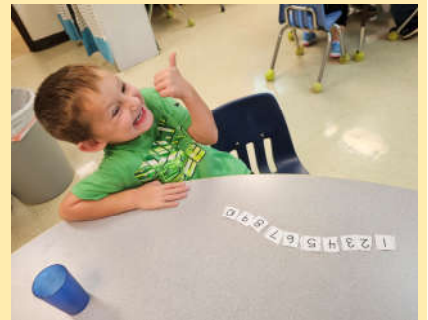


In the Spotlight

Our Superstar Rayden

Rayden Hutchison has shown such great improvement this year. He has become a superstar at sharing and has grown so much in learning to wait his turn. He is vivacious and well-liked by his friends. When he arrives at school, he is frequently swarmed by friends eager to give him a hug. He fully engages in our learning tasks and works hard to do his best. He has learned numbers 1 to 20 and can almost count to 100. He knows quite a few of the alphabet letters, too. He has come so far with the special services that he receives. He shares fun stories and often uses his kind words to help friends when they are sad. We are so very proud of Rayden!

Mrs. Service



As an employee of the Carroll County Board of DD, I feel blessed to have spent the last 32 years being a part of the lives of each individual. From St. John's Villa to Carroll Hills Industries and lastly Carroll Hills School, I have found my career to be rewarding in so many ways. To be greeted each day with the wonderful smiles of those we serve has made it so worthwhile. Thank you CCBDD!

Sincerely,
Linda Miller



Summer Tip from Nurse Kim

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.










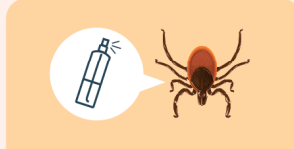

Most people bitten by a tick will not get a disease. Not all ticks are infected with diseases. Ticks that are infected, usually have to be attached to the host for several hours to several days to transmit disease. Prompt removal will significantly reduce the risk of infection. If you do develop symptoms 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 ziplock bag to be identified. Please note that they do not do any testing on the tick to see if it carries disease/infection.

Kim Yeager, RN

Ticks

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<p>Adult tick before feeding</p>  <p style="background-color: #ffccbc; padding: 2px;">4mm long</p>	<p>Adult tick after feeding</p>  <p style="background-color: #ffccbc; padding: 2px;">10mm long</p>
<p> Key facts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ticks can cause an allergic reaction and they spread tick-borne diseases. Ticks can latch on to a passing animal or person by crawling up the stems of grasses or along branches.
<p> What to do after visiting a known tick area</p>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Heat clothing in drier</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Search body for ticks</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Check children</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Check pets</p> </div> </div>
<p> How to kill ticks</p>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Kill the tick where it is, using an ether-containing spray.</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Wait for the tick to drop off. Do not forcibly remove the tick with tweezers.</p> </div> </div>

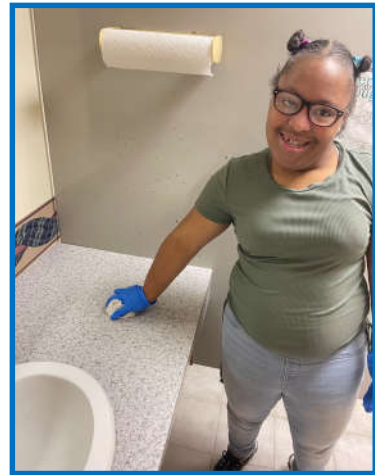
 **Do not remove the tick** - kill it with ether-containing spray. If you are allergic to ticks or have mammalian meat allergy seek medical help. If you or someone near you has trouble breathing or collapses after a tick bite, **call triple zero (000) and ask for an ambulance**. If you have access to an adrenaline autoinjector, administer it, and continue to follow the steps of an ASCIA allergy action plan, if one is available.

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Community Employment Summer Youth Job Exploration Training (JET) Program

For several years, the Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities has offered a summer youth JET Program for students ages 14-21 that have an IEP or qualify for Carroll County Board of DD services. The 2024 six-week program began on June 3rd and will run for six weeks. A job coach works side by side with the students teaching work expectations and job skills at their assigned work location. Students receive on the job training and job experience, while earning a paycheck. Student work locations could include the Carrollton Assembly of God, The Chop House, Jimmy's Pizzeria, or detailing cars at the Board Offices. This year has gotten off to a great start, we are excited to see the progress of each student each week!

Reva Castelucci, Job Coach





Carroll County Special Olympics

Heading to Ohio State Summer Games

The Ohio State Summer Games will be held on Friday, June 28th through Sunday, June 30th. We will be taking 11 total athletes: six for bowling, two for Bocce, and three for Athletics (track & field). The following athletes were chosen to compete at State this year:

- Athletics (track & field): Noah Hinkle, Carrie Crowl, and Randy Stacy
- Bocce: Jayden Hahn and Alex Weaver
- Bowling: Matt Crough, Thomas Meagher, Mitchell Imhoff, Morgan Edmonds, Karen Bross, and Wanita Lewis.



We will be leaving early Friday morning and will return late Sunday evening. We hope to bring several gold medals back to Carroll County and that every athlete makes wonderful lasting memories while there.

TRACK/BOCCE/BOWLING



Unified Fun Volleyball will begin July 9th and run through August 12th. This is strictly for fun, exercise, socialization, and friendly competition between each other. As a Unified sport, this allows the community members to join in on the fun; disability or not. Volleyball will be held one time per week at Carroll Hills School gym from 3:30-4:30 every Tuesday except for the last practice, which will be held on Monday. All who participated last year had a great time and can't wait to do it all over again.

Bowling's last day was May 17th with the end of the season pizza party/family fun bowling. We had a great turn out with several family and friends bowling alongside the athletes. Everyone had a wonderful time and enjoyed the food, socialization, and of course, the competition!

Golf season is upon us, and the golfers are hard at work practicing and preparing for the NE Regional tournament which will be held on Sunday, August 4th in Canton. The athletes are trying their best so they could possibly be chosen to go to the State Golf Tournament on Saturday, September 21st in Galloway, OH. We will be taking two golfers to compete at the State level. We welcomed back head coach Sue Sargeant and new assistant coach Jamie Hawk. Coach Chuck Wells is still helping but decided to do part time coaching this season.

Penny Hodgson, Special Olympics Coordinator

GO COUGARS!

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We also enjoyed a restaurant on the Potomac River, had dinner at a 76-year-old German Restaurant, and walked around the National Harbor area.

We ended our trip at a stop in Hershey, PA and took a chocolate tour ride in the very large Hershey World Building. We learned about the history of Hershey and how they make chocolates and candies. We ended the day by shopping 'til we dropped at Hershey World. Everyone had an amazing week, made lifelong memories with friends, and learned so much about why being an advocate is important not just for themselves but the community that they live in.



The Carroll County People First Advocacy group held their annual officer election on May 15, 2024.

The new officers are:

President: Sarah Price

Vice President: William Sutton

Secretary: Charlie Weir

Treasurer: Sarah Hines

Sargeant at Arms: Johnny Kruprzak

The election was a very close election for President with a margin of two votes to the winner. The new officers will be speaking at the Carrollton City Council on Monday, July 22nd to advocate for sidewalks on Canton Rd. in Carrollton. The group feels like this is a big safety hazard and a huge need for the community of Carrollton and hope to have their voices heard.

Penny Hodgson, Community Network Coordinator





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Promoting positive awareness of people with developmental disabilities

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UPCOMING EVENTS



- 6/19/24 - Juneteenth - Program Closed
- 7/04/24 - Independence Day Observed - Program Closed
- 8/14-8/24 - School Staff Inservice –8:00-3:00 PM
- 8/19/24 - First Day of School for School-Age Program
- 9/2/24 - Labor Day—Entire Program Closed
- 10/14/24 - Columbus Day Observed—Entire Program Closed
- 10/18/24 - All Staff Inservice—Entire Program Closed
- 10/21/24 - School Staff Inservice—No Students
- 11/11/24 -Veteran’s Day Observed—Entire Program Closed
- 11/27/24 - School Closed
- 11/28-29/24 - Thanksgiving Holiday—Entire Program Closed
- 12/2/24 - Entire Program Closed
- 12/23/24-1/1/25 - Christmas Break for Entire Program
- 1/02/25 - Board Office and 12 month Staff Resumes
- 1/02-03/25 - School Closed
- 1/06/25 - School Resumes after Break



Community Playgroup

Summer Schedule

Join us at Fifth St. Park
 Carrollton, Ohio
 10-11 A.M.

June 20

July 11

July 25

Aug. 8

Aug. 29

Ages 0-5
 Siblings up to Kindergarten
 Parent/Guardian must attend

“Community Playgroup is hosted by the Carroll County Early Intervention Team, and invites all children age 0-5 to play, interact, and enjoy a snack! Parent/Guardian must attend.”

If you have questions please call, Jessica or Makenzie at 330-627-7651.