Stark County Board of DD
Early Intervention Newsletter
September 2018

Varian Orchards
6340 Orchard View Dr. SE
East Canton, OH 44730
September 11th
10AM-1PM
Cost: $5 per person
Come take a wagon ride through the apple orchards with us, play in the play place, sample cider and apples, see the newly planted orchard, go in the barn and lots more. If the weather doesn't cooperate, it will be moved indoors with age appropriate activities led by Cliff Varian. Cliff Varian is a child care director and former kindergarten teacher and is very excited to have our group come visit the orchards.
RSVP with payment by September 10th!

Family Hike @ Quail Hollow Park
13480 Congress Lake Ave
Hartville, OH 44632
September 25th, 2018
10AM-12PM
FREE
Join us as we hike the trail at Quail Hollow Park in Hartville. Trail is stroller and wheelchair accessible and is SHADED. We will explore the gardens after our hike then enjoy a picnic lunch together. Park and meet by the Visitor Center (white buildings).

Fire Station Tour
Central Station
1742 Schneider St NE
Canton, OH 44721
Tuesday, October 23rd
10-11:30 AM
FREE
Come celebrate fire safety month with us on a visit to the Plain Township Central Fire station. Chief Keller will teach us about fire safety then give us a tour of the station. We will get to see and touch real fire equipment and even get in the firetruck!

Kingsway Pumpkin Farm
1555 Andrews St. NE
Hartville, Ohio 44632-9018
Tuesday, October 9th @ 9:30 SHARP!
Cost: $7 per child
$3 per adult
Non-walking infants FREE
Join us for a visit to Kingsway Farm. Children can crawl through a long indoor straw tunnel, play in a large box of corn, pick their own pumpkin on the wagon ride, visit the petting farm to feed the animals, get their face painted, ride a train, and play on the unique play area. There are plenty of photo opportunities throughout the farm with creative, artistic photo props so don’t forget your camera! Kingsway is family oriented and free from the dark side of Halloween.
RSVP with payment by October 5th!

Community events are not sponsored by Stark County Board of DD. They are scheduled for the sole purpose of introducing families to events/activities available in our area/community. All Field trips, activities, and playgroups are open to the public. Parents are responsible for the safety and well-being of their children during any events you attend.

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Would you like to get your EI newsletter each month as soon as it is sent to the printer rather than waiting for it to come in the mail?

We can send it to you by email so you can have your information right away. Playgroups are open to all early intervention families and to the community so invite a friend to come with you. Didn’t qualify or your child has aged out of EI? You are still welcome to come and enjoy playgroup activities, field trips, and outings but the only way to continue to receive the newsletter is by email. As long as your child is receiving services through EI you will still receive a copy of our monthly newsletter in the mail. Get added to the email list now to get your information right away rather than wait for your newsletter to arrive by mail.

If you would like to be added to our EI Playgroup email list send an email to:

Chris at ehmerc@starkdd.org
or
Paula at moorep@starkdd.org

Ask to be added to the Playgroup email list. Emails are sent out blind copied so your information is not shared with others. You can ask us at any time to be removed from the email list if you no longer wish to receive them.

You can also sign up for the REMIND app at https://www.remind.com/join/cehmer
or on your smart phone (see right) for last minute changes or updates happening with playgroup or our community outings and field trips.

**Playgroup is a great way to meet other families and for you and your child to form lasting friendships!**

We hope to see you soon at playgroup and/or our field trips and community activities.


Friendship knows no boundaries!
Happy Camper Crunch

4 cups Golden Grahams cereal
3 cups mini marshmallows
2 cups milk chocolate chips

Mix all ingredients in a large bowl and enjoy!!!
Can also be divided into individual baggies to eat on the go.

Nature Scavenger Hunts

What a great way to spend some quality family time!!!
You can use the nature scavenger hunt to the right or just let your child explore and find items. Try making and using the nature paint brushes below.

Painting with Nature Paint Brushes

To make the brushes you will need to take your child on a nature hunt to collect lots of interesting pieces of nature (ie. feathers, flowers, leaves, etc). Have fun looking for different textures and patterns and talking about the nature items and what kind of print you think it will make. Don’t forget to collect enough sticks for each paint brush you plan to make as you go too!

Making the paint brushes is easy. You will need elastic bands, string or tape to attach the piece of nature to the stick. If using elastic bands it is easiest to have the elastic bands already on the sticks so you can just slide the pieces of nature under the band and onto the sticks.

Set out a few colors of paint and a piece of paper and let your child explore the different patterns and textures the paint brushes make. Model how to dab and sweep the brushes across the paper to get different designs. Talk about the patterns and textures they are making. Ask open ended questions about their painting to encourage creative thinking and language skills. You might ask...How did you...? What if...? What did you use? Where should we hang your picture?
The S'mores Song

On top of my cracker, so yummy and sweet,
I'll put on some chocolate, to make a good treat.
Then comes the marshmallow, so sticky and sweet,
and then one more cracker, so it won't fall off.
I put them together, so gently I press,
If I squeeze too hard, it will make a big mess.
I'm ready to eat it, this thing called a S'more,
OH MY, it's so yummy,
I think I'll have some more!!

Build Your Child’s Library
Order books through Scholastic Book Club to enjoy with your child. Go on-line to:
scholastic.com/bookclub or scholastic.com/newparent
to view the flyer and place your order.
The class activation code is: GJTR9
(Teacher's name Christine Ehmer)

Online orders are paid for by credit/debit and will be delivered
to Eastgate and brought to you when your PSP visits.
Orders are due by September 22nd!
Orders will arrive within 1-2 weeks of the due date.

September Book Picks...

Maisy Goes Camping
Lucy Cousins

Five in the tent! But they soon find that pitching a tent is not an easy thing to do. Even if they do manage to keep the tent up, there's the matter of fitting them all in...Maisy, Charley, Cyril, Tallulah, and finally, the huge elephant, Eddie. What a squishy squish-squash! Good night, campers! Uh-oh-what's that popping sound?

Llama Llama goes camping for the very first time and learns a valuable lesson: what seems scary can actually be super-duper FUN!

Do you know how to scare a bear? Would you bang pots and pans? Would you rattle some cans? Would you shout? Would you yell? Would you ring a loud bell? How would you scare a bear out of your cabin? Or out of your fishing boat? How about away from your campfire? And what if he climbed in your bunk? Would the bed go kerplunk? In this contest of wills, who will win? By the story's end, young campers will know exactly how to scare a bear!

Firefly

Firefly, firefly
WOW, how you glow!
Under your body
You light up below!
Firefly, Firefly
WOW how you shine!
At night in the dark
I can see you just fine!
-Maleah Goldrich

Campfire Pokey

You put your marshmallow in, you take your marshmallow out.
You put your marshmallow in and you shake it all about.
That's what it's all about, hey!

Substitute "marshmallows" with hotdog, potato, apple, or anything else you can roast over the campfire.

At the end use this phrase...
You put your whole dinner in, you take your whole dinner out.
You put your whole dinner in and you shake it all about.
You do the campfire pokey and you turn yourself about.
That's what it's all about, yum, yum!

September Songs and Fingerplays...

The S'mores Song

The S'mores Song

Campfire Pokey
Join us on Friday mornings from 10-11:30AM at Eastgate Early Childhood and Family Center to explore and play. In September we will be “Camping Out” and in October we’ll look out for “Creepy Creatures of the Night”. Playgroups are intended for children birth to age 5 years old and their siblings. Come explore our themes with us. There will be lots of activities that will tempt you and your child to discover and play together. You are welcome to bring family and friends along to join you! Here is a sneak peek at the September and October activities we have planned...

### September

**“CAMPING OUT”**

- **September 7th**
  - **NO PLAYGROUP**
  - **AGENCY INSERVICE**

- **September 14th**
  - **AROUND THE CAMPFIRE**
  
  Come enjoy singing campfire songs and creating a campfire with your own 2 hands. The dramatic play area will be set up with tents, campfires, sleeping bags, s’mores and more. We’ll play in the stream (water table) and play with edible marshmallow silly putty too! Make sure to try the marshmallow toss game. Snack today is campfire logs (pretzel rods).

- **September 21st**
  - **BACK TO NATURE**
  
  Make sure to grab a Nature scavenger hunt bag when you sign in today. Find all of the items on the list then see Miss Paula or Miss Chris for a prize. Walk barefoot in the gross motor room to feel the textured footprints. Check out the nature discovery bottles and try out some campfire cooking in dramatic play. Paint your own “pet rock” and try out painting with our nature paintbrushes. Enjoy s’more mix for snack.

- **September 28th**
  - **FIREFLIES & FISHING**
  
  We’re going fishing today and the bugs are bad down by the lake. Don’t forget your bug spray! If you forget we will have some for you to use (pretend of course!). There will be chocolate playdough with bugs at the playdough center. We will have worms on a fishing pole for snack. Be sure to make a birdfeeder and fireflies with Miss Paula.

### October

**“CREepy CREatures OF The NiGHT”**

- **October 5th**
  - **NOCTURNAL ANIMALS**
  
  What’s that sound outside my tent? A skunk…ewe! A raccoon digging in my cooler? Look out! There’s a bat swooping down! Will you go in the cave? Enjoy playing with the nocturnal animals in the sensory bin and make your own nocturnal animal to take home.

- **October 12th**
  - **NO PLAYGROUP**
  - **EARLY INTERVENTION INSERVICE**

- **October 19th**
  - **THERE’S A SPIDER ON MY….**
  
  There’s a spider on the floor, on the floor! Enjoy some messy sensory play with spider oobleck. Try fine motor and gross motor activities...can you make the spider stick to his web or get the spider out from under his web? Be careful if you choose to walk on the spider’s web so you don’t fall and get caught. Enjoy making a spider web and make a spider with lots of eyes!! Enjoy eating spiders for snack.

- **October 26th**
  - **FALL CELEBRATION (GYMNasiuM)**
  
  Come in costume to trick or treat and enjoy sensory, gross motor, and art activities in a safe and welcoming atmosphere.
**Weekly Programs**

**Creative Canton**
330-353-9030 (registration & fee)

**Music class**
Every other Wednesday
10:30 AM - 11:15 AM
North Canton YMCA Gymnastics

**Just Beginning**
Must be registered (FEE)
Monday & Thursday

**Gym Buddies**
Must be registered (FEE)
Tuesday & Thursday

**Massillon YMCA SWIMMING**
330-837-5116

**Adaptive Swim Lessons**
Must be registered (FEE)
Monday evenings and Saturday mornings

**LIBRARY PROGRAMS**
These are FREE programs.

**Perry Branch Library**

- **Baby Storytime**
  - 10 AM - 10:30 AM
  - Monday & Wednesday

- **Toddler Storytime**
  - 11 AM - 11:30 AM
  - Monday & Wednesday

**Louisville Public Library**

- **Tiny Tots**
  - 10:30 AM - 11 AM
  - Tuesday

- **Mini Movers**
  - 10:30 AM - 11 AM
  - Wednesday

- **Mini Movers**
  - 10:30 AM - 11 AM
  - Thursday

**Lake Library**

- **Baby Storytime**
  - 11 AM - 12 PM
  - Tuesday

- **Toddler Storytime**
  - 10 AM - 10:30 AM
  - Wednesday

**Varian Orchards**
10 AM - 1 PM
Cost $5 each

**Toddler Playgroup @ Eastgate**
10 AM - 11:30 AM
COST $5 each

**Quail Hollow**
10 AM - 12 PM
FREE

**Varian Orchards**
10 AM - 1 PM
Cost $5 each

**North Canton YMCA Swim Lessons**
330-837-3116

**Massillon YMCA Swim Lessons**
330-837-3116

**Join our Wait Lists**

**North Canton YMCA Swim Lessons**
10 AM - 11 AM
Every other Wednesday
Music Class
(Registration fee)
330-353-9030

**Create Your Canvas**
330-499-4802

**Weekly Programs**

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**Central Fire Station**
10AM-11:30AM
FREE

**Kingsway Pumpkin Farm**
9:30AM-12PM
Cost: $7 per child
Non-walking infants FREE

**EI In-service Day**
NO Playgroup Today

**Toddler Playgroup @ Eastgate**
10-11:30 AM
Quail Hollow
Tuesday, September 25th
from 10AM-12PM

Family name___________________

_____# of children
_____# of adults

FREE
RSVP by September 24th

Varian Orchards
Tuesday, September 11th
10AM-1PM

Family name___________________

_____# of children
_____# of adults

$5 per person
Total amount paid _________________
RSVP and $ by September 10th

Chambers Pumpkin Patch
Tuesday, October 9th
9:30AM-12PM

Family name___________________

_____# of children 2-12 @ $7 each
_____# of adults @ $3 each (no pumpkin)
(Infants 11 months & younger are FREE without pumpkin)
_____# of children 11 months & under w/ pumpkin @ $2

Total amount paid _________________
RSVP and $ due by October 5th

Fire Station
Tuesday, October 23rd
from 10AM-11:30AM

Family name___________________

_____# of children
_____# of adults

FREE
RSVP by October 22nd
CLIPPING IS EASY! Find Box Tops on hundreds of products you know and love
RECORTE BOX TOPS Y RECAUDA DINERO PARA TU ESCUELA!

It’s easy to find Box Tops. In fact, you may have some in your home right now. Clip Box Tops from your favorite products and turn them in to your child’s school today! Box Tops are each worth 10¢ and they add up fast!

Encontrar Box Tops es fácil. De hecho, tal vez tengas algunos en tu casa en este momento. Recorta Box Tops de cientos de tus productos favoritos. Cada cupón de Box Tops tiene un valor de 10¢ para tu escuela ¡y esas cantidades se suman rápido!

BAKING & BAKEWARE

- Annie’s® Baking Mixes
- Fiber One™ Mixes
- Reynolds Kitchens® Parchment Paper
- Reynolds® Bakeware Pans
- Reynolds Kitchens® Storage Bags
- Reynolds Kitchens® Slow Cooker Liners
- Reynolds® StayBrite® Baking Cups

CEREAL cereales

- Annie’s®
- Apple Cinnamon Toast Crunch™
- Baltimore Chocolate Strawberry
- Basic 4™
- Blueberry Toast Crunch™
- Cascadian Farm®
- Cascadian Farm® Farm Stand Harvest Granola
- Cheerios™
- Chex™
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Blasted Shredded™
- Cocoa Puffs™
- Cookie Crisp™
- Fiber One™
- French Toast Crunch™
- Golden Grahams™
- Kix™
- Lucky Charms™
- Lucky Charms™ Frosted Flakes
- Nature Valley® Granola
- Nature Valley® Oat Cereals
- Oatmeal Crisp
- Peanut Butter Chocolate Blasted Shredded™
- Raisin Nut Bran
- Reese’s Puffs™
- Strawberry Toast Crunch™
- Total™
- Trix™
- Wheaties™

FOOD STORAGE

- Ziploc® brand Big Bags XL (4 ct.)
- Ziploc® brand Freezer Bags
- Ziploc® brand Smart Snap Containers
- Ziploc® brand Storage Bags
- Ziploc® brand twist ‘n Loc® Containers
- Ziploc® brand VersaGrip® Containers
- Ziploc® brand Vacuum Sealer System
- Ziploc® brand Zip ‘n Steam™ Bags

FROZEN CONGELADOS

- Annie’s® Frozen Snacks
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Bites
- Pillsbury™ Toaster Scrambles
- Pillsbury™ Toaster Strudel™
- Tolino® Party Pizza™ & Pizza Rolls™ Snacks

HOUSEHOLD CLEANING

- Finish® Dishwashing Detergent
- Lytrol® Bathroom Cleaners
- Lytrol® Disinfectant Spray & Wipes

MEALS & SIDES

- Annie’s® Mac & Cheese
- Annie’s® Microwaveable Mac & Cheese Cups
- Annie’s® Soups
- Betty Crocker® Specialty Potatoes & Potato Buds
- Betty Crocker® Suddenly Salad
- Hamburger Helper®
- Old El Paso® Bold Stand n’ Stuff Shells
- Old El Paso® Dinner Kits
- Old El Paso® Rice & Beans
- Old El Paso® Shells & Seasonings
- Old El Paso® Soft Tortilla Taco Boats
- Old El Paso® Stand n’ Stuff Shells

PAPER PRODUCTS productos de papel

- Select Kleenex® Tissue bundles
- Scott® Bath Tissue
- Scott® Paper Towels
- Scott Naturals® Flushable Cleansing Cloths

PRODUCE frutas y verduras

- Green Giant™ Fresh Herbs
- Green Giant™ Fresh Vegetables

REFRIGERATED & DAIRY

- Annie’s® Refrigerated Dough
- Annie’s® Yogurt Tubes
- Go-Gurt® Multipacks
- Pillsbury® Refrigerated Cookies
- Yoplait® Original and Yoplait® Light Fridge Packs

SCHOOL & OFFICE SUPPLIES

- Boise POLARIS® Premium Paper
- Boise FIREWORK® Premium Colored Paper
- Paper Mate® Clearpoint® Mechanical Pencils
- Paper Mate® Flair® Felt Tip Pens
- Paper Mate® InkJoy® Ballpoint Pens
- Paper Mate® InkJoy® Gel Retractable and Stick Pens
- Paper Mate® Liquid Paper®
- Paper Mate® Mirado® WoodcasePencils
- Paper Mate® Paper Mate® Handwriting
- Paper Mate® PinkPearl® and White Pearl® Erasers
- Paper Mate® Profile® Ballpoint Pens
- Paper Mate® SharpWriter® Mechanical Pencils
- Paper Mate® Write Bros.® Pens
- Paper Mate® Write Bros.™ Mechanical Pencils

SNACKS BOCADILLOS

- Annie’s® Cookies
- Annie’s® Crackers
- Annie’s® Crispy Snack Bars
- Annie’s® Fruit Snacks
- Annie’s® Granola Bars
- Annie’s® Organic Popcorn
- Annie’s® Organic Puffs
- Annie’s® Snack Mix
- Annie’s® Toast Pastries
- Betty Crocker® Fruit Flavored Snacks
- Bugles®
- Cascadian Farm® Granola Bars
- Cereal Treat Bars
- Chex Mix
- Fiber One™ Bars, Brownies, Cookies, and Streusel
- Fiber One® Cookie & Brownie Bites
- Food Should Taste Good™ Snacks
- Gardetto’s® Snacks
- LARABAR® Kid
- LARABAR® (multipacks)
- LARABAR® RENOLA Grain Free Granola
- Mott’s® Medleys Fruit Flavored Snacks
- Nature Valley® Backpacker Chewy, Oatmeal Bites
- Nature Valley® Baked Oat Bites
- Nature Valley® Granola Bars
- Nature Valley® Clusters
- Nature Valley® Granola Bites
- Nature Valley® Granola Cups
- Nature Valley® Layered Granola Nut Bars
- Nature Valley® Protein Soft-Baked Granola Bites
- Nature Valley® Soft-Baked Filled Squares
- Nature Valley® XL Sweet & Salty Bars

TABLEWARE mantelería

- Hefty® Deluxe™ Plates and Platters
- Hefty® Party Cups
- Hefty® Everyday™ Bowls
- Hefty® Everyday™ Cups
- Hefty® Everyday™ Plates
- Hefty® Printed Cups
- Hefty® Style Plates
- Kleenex® Dinner Napkins (50 ct.)

WASTE BAGS bolsas de basura

- Hefty® Compostable Trash Bags
- Hefty® Contractor Trash Bags
- Hefty® Recycling Trash Bags
- Hefty® Renew® Recycled Content Bags
- Hefty® Small & Medium Trash Bags
- Hefty® Steel Sak
- Hefty® Strong Large Trash Bags
- Hefty® Strong Tall Kitchen Trash Bags
- Hefty® Ultra Strong Blackout Tall Kitchen Bags with Arm & Hammer™
- Hefty® Ultra Strong Tall Kitchen Bags with Arm & Hammer™
- Hefty® Ultra Strong™ Multipurpose Trash Bags
SUBMISSION TIP:

BOX TOPS DON’T HAVE TO BE TRIMMED NEATLY!

As long as the expiration date and product code are visible, we’ll accept them however they are clipped!

TWO EASY WAYS TO EARN FOR EARLY INTERVENTION!

BOX TOPS CLIP
Look for Box Tops on hundreds of participating products. Every 10 clips is worth a dollar for Early Intervention!

BUY
PARTICIPATING BOX TOPS PRODUCTS.

CLIP
THE BOX TOPS FROM EACH PACKAGE.

SEND
YOUR BOX TOPS IN WITH YOUR PSP OR TURN THEM IN AT PLAYGROUP.

BOX TOPS APP
Use the Box Tops Bonus App to search for offers and turn everyday receipts into cash for Early Intervention!

SEARCH
FOR BONUS BOX TOPS OFFERS ON THE APP.

BUY
PARTICIPATING BOX TOPS PRODUCTS.

SCAN
YOUR RECEIPT AFTER CHECKOUT.

Your child’s name will be entered into a drawing every time you send in Box Tops. If you do not attend playgroup, your PSP will bring a prize to your child when his or her name is drawn.

Go to btfe.com for more information.
Stark County DD
Early Childhood Services

*How can you help your child’s Preschool and Early Intervention Programs raise money to further support your child’s developmental needs?*

**Collect Box Tops**

Clip Box Tops for Education™ off of food, drink, paper products such as Kleenex, Ziploc, and Avery office products. We will earn **10 cents** for every Box Top that your child turns in. Earn even more cash to help Stark DD Early Childhood Services through the Box Tops for Education™ Bonus App. It’s free and can be downloaded from the Apple App Store or Google Play. For a complete list of participating products go to: http://www.boxtops4education.com.

**Shop with your Giant Eagle Advantage Card**

Enroll your Giant Eagle Advantage Card to earn points for classroom equipment for Stark County DD early childhood classes every time you shop at a Giant Eagle. Go to [www.gianteagle.com/about/apples-for-students](http://www.gianteagle.com/about/apples-for-students) or call 1-800-474-4777. Our School ID# is **5538**.

**Search the internet with Goodsearch**

By using [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) as your search engine, we will earn one cent for every Internet search you do. To start, simply type Eastgate Early Childhood Center Louisville, Ohio, where it says “enter your charity here”; once you enter it, then it will remain your charity until you change it.

**Recycle your paper**

We have a Paper Retriever recycling bin in our parking lot for paper products: newspapers, phone books, catalogs, magazines, and shredded paper. Shredded paper must be put in a white or clear bag that has a small cut in it to let the air out. No cardboard, please.
STREET FAIR

Community Resources in Your Neighborhood

Saturday, September 15, 2018
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Whipple-Dale Centre
2950 Whipple Ave. NW, Canton

Stop by and discover the resources that are available right in your own neighborhood! We will have community organizations, agencies, and providers on hand to answer your questions about services and supports for children and adults with various needs.

Vendors • Guest Speakers • Free Street Fair Food for families

Stark County Board of Developmental Disabilities

For information, contact
Misty McGirr at 330-479-3632