



DRAGON EMPOWERMENT CENTER

Community Learning & Resource Center

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A project providing services and programs to students, families, and the community so that all can be successful in school and life.

The DEC

NEWS AND UPDATES

Community Volunteers Connect With Students

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program- RSVP- is one of the largest volunteer networks in the nation for people 55 and over. Senior Corps volunteers utilize their talents and experience and commit their time in service to the community. The DEC is pleased to partner with RSVP; starting in March, RSVP volunteers began to help AACS students with tutoring in reading and math.

In addition to RSVP, other community volunteers assisted with tutoring as well. All of the volunteers were matched with the age group and subject matter that will meet their interest and skills, they were background checked, and oriented to the school and it's basic policies. The teachers provided them with the grade appropriate lessons/concepts/materials that aligned with their classwork and help the children build their competency.

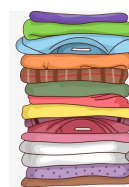
In the past couple months the Tutors assisted 47 students with over 100 tutoring sessions. Some of the students and tutors will continue to work together through the summer. We have many students who would like to receive tutoring and we are looking for volunteers to assist them.

If you would like to become a volunteer, contact Jen at 440-855-0081.



Clothing Bank at the DEC

The DEC Clothing Bank has clothes in a variety of sizes. To get clothing- students, teachers or family members can stop by the DEC. Or call Jen, the DEC Community Resource Coordinator to, arrange for items. There is no charge and services are confidential. If you have items to donate you can bring them to the DEC, Huron Primary Rm 132, or call Jen at 440-855-0081 for pick-up.



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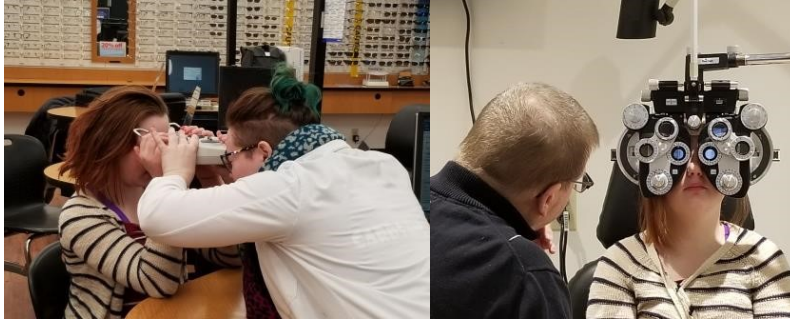
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The Strong Foundations, Successful Futures- Community Learning & Resource Center Advisory Group consists of: Ashtabula County Community Action Agency, Community Counseling Center, LEADERShip Ashtabula County, and the Ashtabula Area City Schools.

Vision Services Pilot Continues



Looking good!



The DEC continues to assist students in need of vision examinations and glasses. Thanks to a generous anonymous donor and Wells Fargo Advisors, we are able to provide financial assistance to help families with these costs. We will provide assistance to as many students as we can until our funds run out. If you have or know of a child who is having difficulty seeing... refer them to the DEC Vision Assistance Services. Once they call Jen, our Community Resource Coordinator, she will help get them scheduled for an appointment and provide the necessary approval to Walmart for services. To find out more call 440-855-0081.

Summer Enrichment Activities Sponsored By The DEC

The DEC is a year-round program and this summer we will be offering free activities to kids in the neighborhoods attending the Summer Food Service Program Sites. Activities are schedule on Tuesday and Thursday at Harbor Ridge from 10:30-11:30 am (before the Summer Food Lunch) and at Bonnie-wood from 1:00-2:00 (after the Summer Food Lunch). Kids age 18 and under are welcome to get a great lunch and enjoy some summer learning and fun. Other DEC services, including tutoring continues at the DEC by appointment. And don't miss Family Fun Day- Summer Safety Event on June 21st on the Circle, Wade Elementary Campus!

Looking for Readers for "Guests on DEC"

The DEC would like to help students maintain and increase the literacy skills they are learning in the classroom by providing recorded story-time. The idea is to have volunteers (anyone who would like to- parents, teachers, principals, community leaders, business people) stop by and sit in the "DEC" chair and read a story. We will video the story and then broadcast it on Facebook for the children to view. If you would like to be a "Guest on DEC" please contact Carmen at ckuula@accaa.org or Jen at jbunnell@accaa.org or 855-0081.

Help Us Build Successful Futures- Opportunities To Get Involved!

- Participate in our surveys,
- Be a part of our Program Planning meetings,
- Conduct or sponsor a program or activity,
- Allow your child to be part of events, activities & services,
- Volunteer,
- Donate items or money if you are able, and...
- Spread the Word!!!

We would love your help! Just contact Jen at 440-855-0081.

Donations can be made payable to:

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