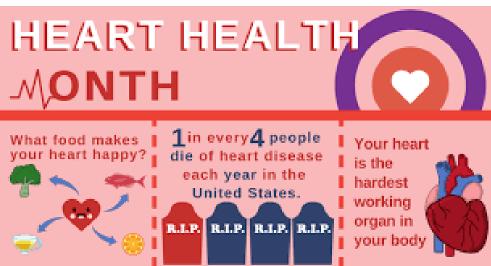
### What's Happening...







Follow us on Social Media:



Save the Date



#### Got Books?

# We take book donations!





Literacy is an integral part of a child's development. Our Little Libraries located around Wayne County, give families access to free books for children and families. We gladly accept book donations of children's and chapter books!

#### **Board Spotlight**

# BOARD SPOTLIGHT

# Natalie Kemp



Dept. Chair of Psychology University of Mount Olive

#### Current position and number of years employed?

Department Chair for Psychology, Associate Professor of Psychology Full time at UMO since 2013 and have been serving as the Department Chair since 2016

#### Why did you chose to be on the BOD for the Partnership?

I remember when the vision of Smart Start and the Partnership was started and people were afraid the grant would only last a year or two. Through the years, it has been such a blessing to watch the programs grow and influence our community in such a powerful way. I love that the Partnership addresses the whole child and family by targeting safety, physical and mental health, education and resilience. These factors will strengthen our community and provide a better future for the next generations and it is a privilege to be part of this kind of work.

## How do you think the Partnership impacts the community?

The Partnership has had a powerful voice of advocacy and education in our community. The programs they offer are dynamic, engaging and based on the needs that arise over time in a flexible way.

#### Favorite Quote:

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.

In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight. - Proverbs 3:5-6

#### Favorite Children's Book:

<u>Love you Forever</u> by Robert Munsch was my favorite to read to my children at night.

#### Circle of Parents





#### Parents As Teacher (PAT)





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#### NC Pre-K



#### It's Time to Enroll!

The Partnership for Children is now accepting Pre-K applications for the 2022-2023 programming year.

Download the application from our website: www.pfcw.org or pick one up at our office.

To qualify your child must be four on or before August 31, 2022. To begin the application process, we require a copy of the birth certificate and proof of one month's income for any parents living in the home.

Applications may be returned to the Partnership by mail or in person; or, they may be emailed to Maria at mlopez@pfcw.org.



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# Safe Kids



# Child Safety Around Gas Fireplaces

3rd degree burns are serious and can happen in less than 1 second from contact with the glass on the front of a gas fireplace.



Every day, **3 children**under age 6 go to the
ER for burns related
to fireplaces, including
gas fireplaces.



Young children can be **unsteady** as they learn to walk, often using surfaces within their reach to pull themselves up.



Little ones have
slower reflexes
and may not be able to
move their hands away
quickly when they touch
something hot.



Young kids have thinner skin on their palms than adults, which can lead to more serious burn injuries.

How hot are they?









glass on a

#### **Tips for Parents and Caregivers**

Watch children around fireplaces. When a gas fireplace is turned on, the glass is extremely hot and can take more than an hour to cool down after it is turned off. Keep children away from the fireplace to prevent burns from the hot glass.

Make sure your gas fireplace has a safety screen or safety gate. These barriers help keep children away from the hot glass on fireplaces. If you need a safety screen, contact the fireplace retailer or manufacturer for the best option for your fireplace.

Keep fireplace remote controls out of children's reach and sight. Make sure children also stay away from on and off switches for gas fireplaces.

Think about places outside of your home with fireplaces. When traveling to other homes, restaurants, hotels or resorts, there may not be a safety screen or safety gate installed. Keep children away from the fireplace and teach them not to touch the glass.

If there is an emergency, call the doctor or 9-1-1 immediately. Physicians can give you information on how to treat a burn correctly.



# Community Events



21st Annual State of the Child will be held in person this year at Wayne Community College. The conference will take place on Tuesday, March 7th. Follow the link for more information and register for this wonderful conference!

State of the Child Conference



Visit Communities Supporting Schools for more information!

#### About Us!

#### How can you support our mission?



#### About us:

The Partnership for Children of Wayne County, Inc. is a non-profit organization designed to provide programs and services for families and children in Wayne County, North Carolina. We build partnerships with families and the community to create a comprehensive system of early care and education. In doing so, our community leads the way in building a brighter future for all of North Carolina.

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