



JANUARY 2025

PARTNERSHIP NEWS!

THE PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN OF WAYNE COUNTY



Dear Friends,

Happy New Year from the Partnership for Children of Wayne County! As we reflect on the past year, we are filled with gratitude for all the support and contributions that have helped us make a difference in the lives of children and families in our community. Your continued involvement empowers us to create brighter futures and provide critical services to those in need.

This year, we are thrilled about the opportunities ahead to further our mission. We are committed to bringing new initiatives, programs, and partnerships that will help our children grow, thrive, and reach their full potential. Together, we can continue making Wayne County a place where every child has the opportunity to succeed.

Thank you for being an essential part of our journey. We look forward to sharing more exciting updates with you in the coming months!

Wishing you a prosperous and joyful 2025!

UPCOMING DATES:

- [January 21](#): Childcare Academy begins
- [January 23](#): Board Meeting @ 8:15am
- [January 23](#): NC Pre-K Meeting @9:30am



Valerie Wallace, Executive Director

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PFCW Mission:

The Partnership for Children unites the community to effectively support and empower families, prepares children to succeed in school and encourages continuous learning for educators of young children, therefore contributing to the economic vitality of Wayne County.



After seven years of open registration, the Partnership for Children of Wayne County is no longer able to accept new registrations for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library (DPIL) due to limited Smart Start funding. However, children who are already enrolled in the program will continue to receive books until their fifth birthday.

UPCOMING PFCW EVENTS



THE INCREDIBLE YEARS PARENTING PROGRAM (IY)

Incredible Years is a FREE 14-16 week program aimed at strengthening parenting skills and addressing behavior problems in children ages 3-6. It offers parents strategies like play, praise, limit setting, ignoring, and redirection to manage challenging behaviors.

- ✓ Gas cards for participation
- ✓ \$50 gift card for completion
- ✓ Sessions begin, Tuesday February 4th 5:30-7:30pm each night
- ✓ Meals and child care provided each night

ENROLL NOW

To register call:
Angela Frady
919-735-3371 x237





SAVE THE DATE!

May 10, 2025
9:00am-2:00pm
Wayne County Fairgrounds

Quiet Time
RESERVED
(no loud noises or flashing lights
9:00am - 11:00am)

TOUCH TRUCK

Sponsored by:
The Partnership for Children
of Wayne County

Where it's OK
To look and touch!

Circle of Parents Interest Survey

Are you a parent or caregiver of a child aged birth through five years old? We want to hear from you!

Circle of Parents® envisions a world where all caregivers have the knowledge, skills, and support needed to raise strong, resilient, and happy children. Our groups provide a friendly, supportive environment facilitated by trained professionals but led by parents and caregivers like you. It's a place to openly discuss the successes and challenges of parenting, while finding and sharing support with others.

As we plan future services, we would appreciate your feedback. Please take a moment to complete this brief survey – your input is essential in helping us better understand the needs of our community and how we can support you and your family.



WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK

SCAN HERE!

 **CIRCLE of PARENTS**
Sharing Ideas. Sharing Support.





COMMUNITY EVENTS

Save the date



100 YEARS
UNITED WAY OF WAYNE COUNTY
PRESENTS

FILL THE THEATRE FOOD DRIVE

MARCH 27 | WED | 9:00AM - 5:00PM
MARCH 28 | THU | 9:00AM - 5:30PM

WOULD YOU HELP US FILL ALL 500 SEATS?

WE ARE ACCEPTING DONATIONS:
NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS, BABY FORMULAS,
PAPER PRODUCTS, DIAPERS, WIPES, TOILETRIES,
UNUSED SOCKS/UNDERWEAR, MENSTRUAL ITEMS

HERE'S HOW:

- PLEASE DONATORS BY RECEIVING A SEAT
- HOST AN INTERNAL COLLECTION
- HOST A COLLECTION SITE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
- HELP DURING THE FOOD DRIVE AS A VOLUNTEER

DONATE

VOLUNTEER

LOCATION: PARAMOUNT THEATRE
139 S. CENTER ST., SOLOSBORO

CONTACT: (810) 735-3691; PILAR@UNITEDWAYNE.ORG
MORE INFO: UNITEDWAYNE.ORG/FILLTHE THEATRE



Don't miss out on the State of the Child Conference! This is your chance to be part of a powerful event at Wayne Community College that will inspire you and equip you with the knowledge to make a real impact. Whether you're a professional in child advocacy or simply passionate about the future of our youth, this conference offers a unique opportunity to engage in cutting-edge discussions, attend hands-on workshops, and connect with like-minded individuals. Scan the QR code to register today!

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SAFE KIDS

**SAFE
K:IDS**
WAYNE
COUNTY

To prevent fires from heating equipment:

- Keep flammable items 3 feet away from heat sources.
- Place heaters on flat, stable surfaces.
- Turn off heaters when leaving a room or going to bed.
- Use a safety gate around space heaters for children and pets.
- Choose heaters with an automatic shut-off feature.
- Plug heaters directly into outlets (no extension cords).
- Test smoke alarms monthly and replace batteries.
- Practice a fire escape plan twice a year.
- Have your heating system inspected annually.
- Use the correct fuel for fuel-burning heaters.
- Never use an oven to heat your home or dry clothes.
- Install and maintain carbon monoxide alarms.



PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

Young children often experience intense emotions, which can result in meltdowns, disruption to schedules, and aggressive behaviors. Triple P equips parents and caregivers with a variety of effective strategies to address these challenges. Our facilitators offer practical "tip sheets" to help parents and caregivers create personalized plans that work for their families. The program includes brief one-on-one consultations and seminars to guide parents in adopting positive parenting techniques.

Contact us:

English-Angela Frady-919-735-3371 x237

Spanish-Rosa Audelo-919-735-3371 x223




NC PRE-K

NC Pre-K Applications for 2025-2026 School Year are Now Available!
 Parents, it's time to apply for NC Pre-K for the upcoming school year!



TRAINING CALENDAR

JANUARY  **2025**

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|-----|--|--|-----|--|-----|-----|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5 | COP 10:00-11:30am | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| | | ITS SIDS 6:30-8:30pm | | | | |
| 12 | COP 5:30-7:00pm | 13 | 14 | Virtual Supporting Positive Behaviors 6:30-8:30pm | 15 | 16 |
| | | Strengthening Mental Health through Trauma Responsive Care 6:30-8:30pm | | | | |
| 19 | | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| | | | | FCCERS-3 6:00-8:30pm | | |
| 26 | COP Dads Night Out 5:30-7:00 pm | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |

■ PFCW Trainings ■ Circle of Parents *To register for trainings contact: The Partnership for Children of Wayne County, Crystal Heath 919-735-3371 ext. 227 or 0 for the Front Desk.*

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