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# A. Sophie Rogers School for Early Learning Schoenbaum Family Center

## APRIL 2018 NEWSLETTER

### Opera Columbus: Little Red's Most Unusual Day

Join us on Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. for a performance of *Little Red's Most Unusual Day*. Watch as Little Red and her family experience a very, very unusual day full of confusion, a silly Granny, and of course the Wolf! This performance is provided free for the children and families of our school.



### May 31: End of Year Celebration

SFC's annual End of School Year Celebration is coming up Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup> from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Family events will include arts and crafts, yummy treats from Chef Mark, raffles, activities, and a giveaway from P&G.

Stay for as little or as long as you'd like. All SFC families are welcome to join, and there will be special gifts for children who are graduating and moving on to kindergarten in the fall. Class pictures will be ready for all families to pick up, as well as our monthly book giveaway. We hope to see you there!

### Events

**Every Tuesday from 7:30 – 9:00 a.m.**

**Coffee Talk** - Drop off your child and enjoy coffee and a snack with staff and other families in the library.

**Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.**

**Stay & Play** - Explore ideas like magna tiles, play dough, and tummy time finger painting while getting to know other families.

**Mondays & Fridays from 2:45 – 3:15 p.m.**

**Community Storytime** - Experience fun stories, silly songs, and exciting family activities.

**Thursday, Apr. 19, 4:00-5:15 p.m.**

**Family Discussion Series, PreK Health & Fitness** - Join us in Town Square to discuss you can incorporate fitness and healthy activities into your daily routine at home.



### P&G Giveaway

**Tuesday, Apr. 24, 7:30 – 10:00 a.m. in Town Square**

Join us in Town Square to pick up your household and baby items.

## PARENT DISCUSSION SERIES

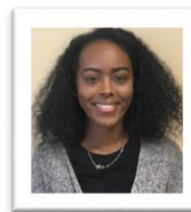
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Thursday, Apr. 19, 4:00 - 5:15 p.m. Join us for obstacles courses and fun in the Town Square.	PreK Health & Fitness	Families will meet the educators (Dr. Jaqueline Goodway and her graduate students) behind our weekly preK gym classes and learn how they can incorporate fitness and healthy activity into their daily routine at home.

### Let's Go Kindergarten!

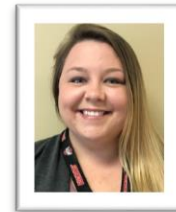
Planning for kindergarten transition helps children with the move to elementary school and supports confidence in the change. In support of this, we will be organizing a few visits to Weinland Park Elementary School for our graduating preschoolers in April – [stay tuned for date details](#). We are also writing letters to our kindergarten friends in the school and will host a panel of kindergarten experts who will answer our questions at SFC. If you have questions or would like support in registering for kindergarten, you can contact Samantha at [Peterson.476@osu.edu](mailto:Peterson.476@osu.edu) or (614) 688-5469.

### A Fond farewell

Our social work interns, Eden Niguse, Kyra Howard and Alyssa Bennet will be leaving us this month. They have been with us since last September and have helped our families access resources such as job and education opportunities, housing and utilities, medical appointments and forms, kindergarten enrollment and holiday resources. Thank you and good luck ladies!



Eden Niguse



Alyssa Bennet



Kyra Howard

### Ohio Senate hears from School for Early Learning Teacher

Master Teacher Vanessa Shrontz (left), testified in front of the Ohio Senate Finance Committee on March 13th for Senate Bill 246 which aims to prohibit suspending and expelling preschool to third grade students who exhibit challenging behaviors in the classroom due to adverse childhood experiences. The bill asks for an increase in positive behavior support and teacher training on trauma informed practice. In her testimony, Shrontz highlighted the importance of keeping children in school, providing teacher services and developing a strong foundation of learning for academic and life long success. [Watch her testimony.](#)



#### OUR MISSION

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*Partnering to improve children's well-being through research, practice and policy.*



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