### Family Resource Calendar



Favorite Family Memory by Evaine, age 6

Promoting Strong Communities, Healthy Families, & Safe Children

### March 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Free Tax Preparation		1 <u>MOPS</u> 9:30-11:30 am <u>Car Seat</u> <u>Installation</u> 2:00-3:30 pm	AHA Story Time 10:30 &11:30 am 12:30 pm	3 First Friday Homeschool Fun 2:00 pm	Children In Between 9:00 am-12 noon First Aid 12:00 noon-3:30 pm Discover 4-H Day 1:00-3:00 pm
5	Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club: Beach Ball Party 4:30 or 5:30 pm	7 <u>Active</u> <u>Parenting (1)</u> 6:30-8:30 pm	Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30 pm	Special Story Time 10:30 am	10	11 Maple Tapping Festival 8:00-11:00 am Robot Roundup 11:00 am
Daylight Savings Time Begins	AHA Messy Monday 10:30 am-2:30 pm  Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club: Funky Fractals 4:30 or 5:30 pm	Children In Between 6:00-9:00 pm  Active Parenting (2) 6:30-8:30 pm	MOPS 9:30-11:30 am Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30 pm	16 Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00 pm Parent Project(1) 6:00-9:00 pm Coffee, Tea, & Autism 6:30 pm	Early Intervention & Friends Playgroup 10:00-11:00 am	Downs Syndrome Playgroup 10:30am-12:00 noon  AHA Science Saturday 10:30 am-2:30 pm
19	20 ABLE / GED Program 1:00-3:00 pm  Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club: Walk on the Wild Side 4:30 or 5:30 pm  NAMI Family Support Group 7:00-8:00 pm	21  Spring Arts & Crafts 4:30-6:00 pm  Active Parenting (3) 6:30-8:30 pm	Abilities United: Wrap This! 3:00-4:30 pm  Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30 pm	23  AHA Story Time 10:30 &11:30 am 12:30 pm  Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00 pm  Parent Project(2) 6:00-9:00 pm	24	AHA Science Saturday 10:30 am-2:30 pm
Family Experience (FX) 6:00-7:00 pm	27 AHA Messy Monday 10:30 am-2:30 pm Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club: 4:30 or 5:30pm	Mad Science 5:15 pm Active Parenting (4) 6:30-8:30 pm	Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30 pm	Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00 pm Parent Project(3) 6:00-9:00 pm	31	

# April 2017

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						1 Children In Between 9:00 am-12 noon First Aid 12:00 noon-3:30 pm
2	3 ABLE / GED Program 6:00-8:00 pm  Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club: Epic Air Traffic Control 4:30 or 5:30pm	4 First Five Years(1) 6:00-8:00 pm	5 MOPS 9:30-11:30 am Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30 pm	Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00 pm Parent Project(4) 6:00-9:00 pm	7 First Friday Homeschool Fun 2:00 pm	AHA Science Saturday 10:30 am-2:30 pm  Read and Seed 11:00 am
9	AHA Messy Monday 10:30 am-2:30 pm	Children In Between 6:00-9:00 pm First Five Years(2) 6:00-8:00 pm	12 <u>Car Seat</u> <u>Installation</u> 2:00-3:30 pm	Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00 pm Parent Project(5) 6:00-9:00 pm	14	15 AHA Science Saturday 10:30 am-2:30 pm  Down Syndrome Playgroup 10:30 am- 12:00 noon
16 Easter Sunday	AHA Messy Monday 10:30 am-2:30 pm  NAMI Family Support Group 7:00-8:00 pm	18	19  MOPS 9:30-11:30 am  Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30 pm	20 Circus Night 5:00-6:30 pm Candlelight Walk 6:30-7:30 pm Coffee, Tea, & Autism 6:30 pm Parent Project(6) 6:00-9:00 pm	Early Intervention & Friends Playgroup 10:00-11:00 am	AHA Science Saturday 10:30 am-2:30 pm  Family Fun Fair 10:30am-1:00 pm  Beauty & the Beast 11:00 am
30	AHA Messy Monday 10:30 am-2:30 pm ABLE / GED Program 1:00-3:00 pm	Mad Science 5:15 pm First Five Years(3) 6:00-8:00 pm	Abilities United: First Aid Training 3:00-4:30 pm  Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30 pm	Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00 pm  Parent Project(7) 6:00-9:00 pm	28	AHA Science Saturday 10:30 am-2:30 pm

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	1 AHA Messy Monday 10:30 am-2:30 pm	2	3 MOPS 9:30-11:30 am Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30 pm	4  Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00 pm  Parent Project(8) 6:00-9:00 pm	5 First Friday Homeschool Fun 2:00 pm	AHA Science Saturday 10:30 am-2:30 pm
7	8  AHA Messy Monday 10:30 am-2:30 pm  ABLE / GED Program 6:00-8:00 pm	9 Crafty Creations 4:00-5:30 pm	Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30 pm	AHA Story Time 10:30 &11:30 am 12:30 pm  Parent Project(9) 6:00-9:00 pm	12	Children In Between 9:00 am-12 noon  AHA Science Saturday 10:30 am-2:30 pm
14 Mother's Day	AHA Messy Monday 10:30 am-2:30 pm NAMI Family Support Group 7:00-8:00 pm	16	17 MOPS 9:30-11:30 am Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30 pm	Coffee, Tea, & Autism 6:30 pm  Parent Project(10) 6:00-9:00 pm	Early Intervention & Friends Playgroup 10:00-11:00 am	20 Downs Syndrome Playgroup 10:30 am- 12:00 noon  AHA Science Saturday 10:30 am-2:30 pm
21	AHA Messy Monday 10:30 am-2:30 pm	Children In Between 6:00-9:00 pm	Abilities United: Drug Awareness & Medication Safety 3:00-4:30 pm	25 AHA Story Time 10:30 &11:30 am 12:30 pm	26	AHA Science Saturday 10:30 am-2:30 pm
28	29 Memorial Day	ABLE / GED Program 1:00-3:00 pm	Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30 pm			

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DESCRIPTION	DATE/TIME	LOCATION	REGISTRATION	COST
ABLE / GED Program New Student Orientation ABLE / GED is a student driven program that provides the tools and support needed to obtain skills necessary to achieve his or her potential. LFCAA ABLE / GED provides individualized study programs and support for each student dependent upon their needs and skill level.	March 20 April 3 & 24 May 8 & 30 1:00-3:00 pm OR 6:00-8:00 pm	Lancaster Fairfield Community Action Agency 1743 E. Main Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration required Call Sue Bennett at 740-653-4146 ext. 8022 or email Sue at shendley@faircaa.org for more information	Free
Active Parenting (4 Class Series)  Parent of children ages 5-12 will learn how to use non-violent discipline, positive communication, effective encouragement, and tips on how to help your child succeed in school. The program combines video, activities, and discussion to help parents raise responsible, cooperative children.	March 7, 14, 21 & 28 6:30-8:30 pm	Family, Adult and Children First Council 831 College Avenue Lancaster, Ohio	Registration required. Contact Pam Redding at 740-652-7287 or pamela.redding @fairfieldcountyohio.gov for more information.	Free
AHA! Messy Mondays & Science Saturdays Join us at the AHA! Museum each Monday to enjoy hands-on, messy art projects and on Saturdays for hands-on, fun science activities for kids!	Mondays and Saturdays in March, April and May 10:30 am - 2:30pm	AHA! Museum 315 S. Broad Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required For more information, call 740-653-1010 or visit us at www.aha4kids.org	Museum entrance fee
AHA! Storytime Join us at the AHA! Museum each Thursday to listen to a story and then make a craft to go along with it!	Thursdays in March, April and May 10:30 &11:30 am 12:30 pm	AHA! Museum 315 S. Broad Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required For more information, call 740-653-1010 or visit us at www.aha4kids.org	Museum entrance fee
Beauty and the Beast Have a magical time as we celebrate this classic tale with stories, songs, games, and crafts! For families with children under the age of 10.	April 22 11:00 am	Early Literacy Center Library Northwest Branch 2855 Helena Drive, NW Carroll, Ohio	Registration required Call 740-756-4391 for more information and to register	Free
Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club Join Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s, a totally new kind of math club where you'll build stuff, toss beach balls, make amazing mazes and more! At the Library Main Branch in Lancaster, K-2nd grade meets at 4:30pm and 3rd-5th grade meets at 5:30pm. At the Bremen Branch, Grades 3-5 meet on Thursdays at 4:00pm. Registration requested.	Lancaster March 6, 13, 20,& 27 & April 3 Bremen March 16, 23, 30 April 6, 13, 20, 27 May 4	Fairfield County District Library Main Branch 219 N. Broad Street Lancaster, Ohio Bremen Branch 200 School Street Bremen, Ohio	Registration requested  Main Library 740-653-2745  Bremen Library 740-569-7246	Free
Car Seat Installation Class  Make sure your family is traveling as safely as possible on the road with everyone buckled properly. Learn to install your car seat securely, safely, and correctly. Great for new or experienced parents and relatives.	Every Wednesday 2:00-3:30 pm	Family, Adult and Children First Council 831 College Avenue Lancaster, Ohio	Registration required Contact Ann Probasco at 740-652-7282 or ann.probasco @fairfieldcountyohio.gov for more information.	Free
Children in Between The Children In Between Program assists parents in understanding their children's reactions to divorce / separation, teaches skills to reduce co-parent conflict, and skills to become successful co-parents. This class is offered both in person and on-line.	March 4, April 1 & May 13 9 am-12 noon March 14, April 11 & May 23 6:00-9:00 pm	Visitation Center 227 E. Main Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration required To register for an in-person class, or receive information on the on-line class, e-mail alkoenig@co.fairfield.oh.us or call 740-652-7873.	Free
Circus Night and Candlelight Walk Help raise child abuse and neglect awareness. After a free, fun-filled evening of games and activities for the family, walk from the JFS parking lot to the downtown gazebo holding a candle to symbolize abused and neglected children.	April 20 Circus Night 5:00-6:30pm Candlelight Walk 6:30-7:30 pm	Fairfield County Job and Family Services 239 W. Main Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required Call 740-653-4060 for more information	Free

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Crafty Creations  Mother's Day is May 14th. Stop in and show Mom or the special lady in your life some love by making a special Mother's Day themed craft. Geared for children ages 6 and older.	May 9 4:00-5:30 pm	Fairfield Co District Library John's Memorial Branch 116 E. High Street Amanda, Ohio	Registration not required Contact the library for more information at 740-969-2785	Free
Discover 4-H Day Ever wonder about the 4-H Program? Is there more than animals and cooking? YES— there is! Come to Fairfield County 4-H Day to find out so much more! Talk to actual 4-H members, learn from the people who take all the projects! Find out how to join a club in your area.	March 4 1:00-3:00 pm	AAA Building Fairfield Co. Fairgrounds 157 E. Fair Avenue Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required Contact OSU Extension for more information at 740-652-7260 or http:// fairfield.osu.edu	Free
Early Intervention & Friends Playgroup This community playgroup offers children time to interact, explore a creative space and connect parents to one another. Geared for children ages birth to 5. All welcome! Supported by the Fairfield County Board of DD.	March 17 April 21 May 19 10:00-11:00am	Early Literacy Center Library Northwest Branch 2855 Helena Drive, NW Carroll, Ohio	Registration not required For more information, contact Rebecca Nixon at 740-652-7225 ext.3231	Free
Family Experience (FX) Enjoy this free event for preschool and elementary aged children and their families featuring music, comedy, games and prizes!	March 26 6:00 - 7:00 pm	Fairfield Christian Church 1965 N. Columbus Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required For more information, please contact Sarah Eckels at 740-654-3866 ext. 258 or visit WeAreFCC.com	Free
Family Fun Fair A FUN day to kick off the national Week of the Young Child!! Families with young children are given the opportunity to spend time together doing fun, healthy, free activities and crafts. Also, learn about community services and resources available to support parents and children in these early years. Sponsored by the Fairfield Association for the Education of Young Children.	April 22 10:30 am-1:00 pm	Forest Rose School 1592 Granville Pike Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required Please contact Cathy Crawford at membership@fairfieldaeyc.org for more information.	Free
First Aid  Receive hands-on emergency training. Participants will receive a certification card upon completion of a written exam.	March 4 April 1 12:00 noon– 3:30 pm	Fairfield Medical Center 401 N. Ewing Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration required For more information and to register, call 740-687-8477	\$35.00
First Five Years (3 Class Series) Parents of children birth through 5 years of age will understand your child's ages & stages of development, your parenting style, non-violent discipline skills, practice techniques for self-calming and prepare your child for school success!	April 4, 11 & 25 6:00-8:00 pm	Head Start / Utica Center 114 Mt. Ida Avenue Lancaster, Ohio	Registration required. Contact Pam Redding at 740-652-7287 or pamela.redding @fairfieldcountyohio.gov for more information.	Free
First Friday Homeschool Fun Join other Homeschooled students ages 6-12 at the library for some fun with books, activities, etc.!	March 3 April 7 May 5 2:00 pm	Fairfield County District Library Main Branch 219 N. Broad Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration requested For more information, go to www.fcdlibrary.org or call 740-653-2745	Free
Free Tax Preparation The United Way of Fairfield County is offering to assist you with filing your income tax! Call to verify eligibility and schedule an appointment.	March and April Individual appointments scheduled	United Way of Fairfield County 115 S. Broad Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration required Call 740-653-0643 for more information and to schedule an appointment	Free
Mad Science The science lab has been busy cooking up some great experiments! Come see what we have in store for you. For children in first grade and older.	March 28 April 25 5:15 pm	Fairfield County District Library Baltimore Branch 205 E. Market Street Baltimore, Ohio	Registration required Contact the library for more information and to register at 740-862-8505	Free

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Maple Tapping Festival / Pancake Breakfast Learn how to tap the maple trees and make syrup that is enjoyed with your pancakes! Fun for all ages!	March 11 8:00 -11:00 am	Alley Park 2805 Old Logan Road Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required	Festival-Free Pancakes- \$5 per person
MOPS: Mothers of Preschoolers  MOPS provides a caring, accepting atmosphere for mothers with infant children through kindergarten to share concerns, explore areas of creativity and hear Biblically-based instruction that equips them for the responsibility of family and community. Topics such as parenting, discipline, relationships, etc. are presented. Childcare is provided.	March 1 & 15 April 5 & 19 May 3 & 17 9:30-11:30 am	Faith Memorial Church 2610 W. Fair Avenue Lancaster, Ohio	Registration required Contact the MOPS Coordinator for more information at 740-654-1711	Free
Parent Project (10-class series)  This class is designed specifically for parents of strong-willed or out-of-control teens. The curriculum teaches concrete prevention, identification and intervention strategies for the most destructive adolescent behaviors (Poor school performance, alcohol/drug use, runaways, violence, etc.)	March 16, 23 & 30 April 6, 13, 20 & 27 May 4, 11 & 18 6:00-9:00 pm	Family, Adult and Children First Council 831 College Avenue Lancaster, Ohio	Registration required Contact Pam Redding at 740-652-7287 or pamela.redding@ fairfieldcountyohio.gov for more information	\$10 book fee
Read and Seed  We are getting ready for spring in out garden at the Early Literacy Center! Join us as we learn about planting seeds and how they grow, and then we'll plant some of our own! For families with children under the age of 10.	April 8 11:00 am	Early Literacy Center Library Northwest Branch 2855 Helena Drive, NW Carroll, Ohio	Registration required Call 740-756-4391 for more information and to register	Free
Robot Roundup Robot stories, Robot games, and Robot crafts equal Robot fun for you and your children under the age of 10!	March 11 11:00 am`	Early Literacy Center Library Northwest Branch 2855 Helena Drive, NW Carroll, Ohio	Registration required Call 740-756-4391 for more information and to register	Free
Special Storytime Please join us as we partner with the Fairfield County Board of Developmental Disabilities to present a story time in recognition of Disabilities Awareness month. We will be reading stories that encourage the love and acceptance of all people, as well as singing songs and doing a craft!	March 9 10:30 am	Fairfield County District Library Main Branch 219 N. Broad Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required For more information, go to www.fcdlibrary.org or call 740-653-2745	Free
Spring Arts & Crafts "Nature's first green is gold" and we will be creating some artistic and crafty creations of some of these early signs of spring in nature. Bring your family and join us in making a spring floral themed project.	March 21 4:30-6:00 pm	Fairfield Co Library John's Memorial Branch 116 E. High Street Amanda, Ohio	Registration not required Contact the library for more information at 740-969-2785	Free
1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Initiative Based on the research-supported idea that the more children ages 0-5 hear books read to them, the more prepared they will be for kindergarten. Parents track the books that are read, with the goal to read 1,000 books before their child goes to school. Earn small prizes along the way, as well as a prize for finishing!	Ongoing — Read at your own pace	Fairfield County District Library Available at all branches	Registration required To sign your preschool aged child up for this program, visit any Fairfield County District Library Location. Call: (740) 653-2745 for more information.	Free

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### PARENT AND FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS

DESCRIPTION	DATE/TIME	LOCATION	REGISTRATION	COST
Abilities United Advocacy Group  A regional advocacy and peer support group for individuals and parents of children with disabilities, empowering individuals to focus on their Abilities! March-"Wrap This!";  April-"First Aid Training"; May -"Drug Awareness & Medication Safety"	March 22 April 26 May 24 3:00-4:30 pm	Hocking College Logan Campus Logan, Ohio Surrounding county residents are welcome!	Registration preferred. Call Mary Clark, Independent Living Specialist, Hocking SOCIL at (740)380-1475 for more information	Free
Coffee, Tea, & Autism in Fairfield County  This new style of support group is led by volunteers whose lives have been touched by autism. Sometimes the best support & information comes from others living the same journey! Children are welcome~~volunteers from the Kiwanis Key Club will provide childcare.	March 16 April 20 May 18 6:30 pm	Trinity United Methodist Church 6389 Blacklick Eastern Rd Pickerington, Ohio	Registration Required Please rsvp at CoffeeTeaAndAutism_ Fairfield@gmail.com Or call 614-284-6323 for more information	Free
Dog Tales Reading Program School-age children (readers age 6 to 10 years old) can practice their reading skills in a fun, non-judgmental reading environment with one of our registered therapy dog teams. The twenty minute, one-on-one session is offered at different branches of the Fairfield County District Library.	Dates, times, and locations are scheduled when registering	Fairfield County District Library Branches throughout the county	Registration Required For more information visit The Connection FaceBook page or call 740-277-7605	Free
Downs Syndrome Playgroup This is a parent-led playgroup for children ages 6 and younger with Downs Syndrome. Held at the Early Literacy Center, parents and children can join this group anytime to meet new families and have a fun time.	March 18 April 15 May 20 10:30 am- 12:00 noon	Early Literacy Center, Library Northwest Branch 2855 Helena Dr, NW Carroll, Ohio	Registration not required For more information, contact Renee Wolfe at reneewolfe0812@yahoo.com	Free
Loved Ones Support Group for Addicted Individuals Topics include: Helping vs. Enabling; Denial and Defense; Stages of Recovery; and Impact of Addiction for parents of addicted adult children.	Every Thursday 6:00-8:00 pm	The Recovery Center 201 S. Columbus Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration Required. Call 740-687-4500	Free
NAMI of Fairfield County  The National Alliance on Mental Health Family Support Group is designed to foster learning, healing and empowerment among parents and families of children with emotional, mental, and neurobiological disorders.	March 20 April 17 May 15 7:00-8:00 pm	**New Location** Polaris Home Funding Corporation 302 E. Main Street Lancaster, Ohio	For more information, contact Mark at 740-243-4933 or mconrad92@gmail.com	Free
Sensory Friendly Movies Sensory-friendly showings of child-friendly movies at Cinemark Lancaster! A comfortable environment with lights turned up & sound lowered giving children with special needs the freedom to self-regulate without disturbing others.	Call for listings or check the website for current showings	Cinemark Theater River Valley Mall Lancaster, Ohio	For more information, call (740)653-9733 or contact www.socil.org or www.Cinemark.com and enter 43130 (Lancaster's zip)	For cost, call ahead or see website.
Sober Support  A meeting place to learn an meet others walking the same path as yourself. Awesome, nonjudgmental professionals to teach new coping strategies. A place to share your struggles with recovery and to inspire others! We are NOT AA.	Every Wednesday 12:30 pm	Rising House 131 N. High Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required	Free

### For more Family Resource information, browse the following websites!

Fairfield County Family, Adult, and Children First Council: www.facfc.org

AHA! A Children's Museum: www.aha4kids.org
Fairfield County District Library: www.fcdlibrary.org

Family Y, Lancaster: www.ymcalancaster.org Fairfield County Schools: faircoesc.org

Lancaster Parks & Recreation: www.pickerington.net

Fairfield County Historical Parks & Recreation: www.historicalparks.org

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Fairfield Medical Center: www.fmchealth.org

Lancaster Festival: www.lancasterfestival.org

Lancaster City Schools: Lancaster.k12.oh.us

Destination Downtown: www.DestinationDowntownLancaster.com