## Family Resource Calendar



Favorite Family Memory by Ali, age 5

Promoting Strong Communities, Healthy Families, & Safe Children

### December 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Story Time at AHA! 10:30 or 11:30am or 12:30pm	Early Intervention & Friends Playgroup 10:00-11:00am	Gift of Time & Day of Dental Care 10:00am-2:00pm Santa Saturday Event 2:00-4:00pm Winter Carnival and Tree Lighting 12:00-5:00pm
4	5 Messy Mondays at AHA! 10:30am-2:30pm Holiday Fun Night 6:00-8:00pm	6	Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30pm	8 Fairfield County Housing Coalition 8:15am  Story Time at AHAI 10:30 or 11:30am or 12:30pm  Santa and Friends 6:00-8:00pm	Santa and Friends 6:00-8:00pm	Santa and Friends 6:00-8:00pm
Maker Mash Up 2:00-4:00pm "Jingle Jam!" 5:45pm	Messy Mondays at AHA! 10:30am-2:30pm  ABLE / GED Program New Student Orientation 6:00-8:00pm	Winter Reading Wonderland 5:15pm	Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30pm  Abilities United: Awards Ceremony 3:00-4:30pm	15  Story Time at AHA! 10:30 or 11:30am or 12:30pm  Coffee, Tea, & Autism 6:30pm	16	Downs Syndrome Playgroup 10:30am-12:00 noon  CPR 8:30am-12:00noon  First Aid 12:00 noon-3:00pm
18	19 Messy Mondays at AHA! 10:30am-2:30pm All Aboard the Polar Express 6:30pm	'Twas the Night Before Christmas 6:00pm	21  Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30pm	22 Story Time at AHA! 10:30 or 11:30am or 12:30pm	23	24
25 Merry Christmas!	26	Make It & Take It Grab Bag 4:00-5:30pm	Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30pm	29 Story Time at AHA! 10:30 or 11:30am or 12:30pm	30	31

# January 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Happy New Year!!	Messy Mondays at AHA! 10:30am-2:30pm	3	Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30pm	5 Story Time at AHA! 10:30 or 11:30am or 12:30pm Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00pm	6	Mock Caldecott 2:00-4:00pm
8 Elephant and Piggie Party 2:00pm	Messy Mondays at AHA! 10:30am-2:30pm  ABLE / GED Program New Student Orientation 1:00-3:00pm	Active Parenting(1) 6:30-8:30pm	11 Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30pm	Story Time at AHA! 10:30 or 11:30am or 12:30pm  Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00pm	13	14 <u>CPR</u> 8:30am-12:00 noon <u>First Aid</u> 12:00 noon-3:00pm
Family Fun Night: 4:00-5:30pm	Messy Mondays at AHA! 10:30am-2:30pm	Active Art 10:30am Active Parenting(2) 6:30-8:30pm	18 Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30pm	19 Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00pm  Glow-in-the-Dark Day 6:00pm  Coffee, Tea, & Autism 6:30pm	Early Intervention & Friends Playgroup 10:00-11:00am	Down Syndrome Playgroup 10:30am- 12:00 noon
22	Messy Mondays at AHA! 10:30am-2:30pm  ABLE / GED Program New Student Orientation 6:00-8:00pm	24 Active Parenting(3) 6:30-8:30pm	Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30pm Abilities United: Meeting Etiquette 101 3:00-4:30pm	Story Time at AHA! 10:30 or 11:30am or 12:30pm  Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00pm	27	28
29	Messy Mondays at AHA! 10:30am-2:30pm	Mad Scientists 5:15pm Active Parenting(4) 6:30-8:30pm				

# February 2017

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			1 Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30pm	Story Time at AHA! 10:30 or 11:30am or 12:30pm  Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00pm	3	Family Grief CAMP
5	Messy Mondays at AHA! 10:30am-2:30pm  Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:30pm or 5:30pm	7 1.2,3,4 Parents!(1) 6:00-8:00pm	8 Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30pm	Story Time at AHA! 10:30 or 11:30am or 12:30pm  Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00pm	10	11 Be My Pinterest Valentine 11:00am  CPR 8:30am-12:00 noon  First Aid 12:00 noon-3:00pm
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19	Messy Mondays at AHA! 10:30am-2:30pm Family Fun Night: 4:00-5:30pm	21 Active Art 10:30am 1.2.3.4 ParentsI(3) 6:00-8:00pm	Abilities United: Hobby to Employment 3:00-4:30pm  Car Seat Installation 2:00-3:30pm	Story Time at AHA! 10:30 or 11:30am or 12:30pm  Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:00pm	24	Alice in un-Winter Wonderland 11:00am
26 KidsQuest Family Movie Night 5:00pm	ABLE / GED Program New Student Orientation 6:00-8:00pm  Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club 4:30pm or 5:30pm	Mad Scientists 5:15pm				

DESCRIPTION	DATE/TIME	LOCATION	REGISTRATION	COST
1,2,3,4 Parents! (3 Class Series) Parents of children ages 1-4 will learn fundamental skills and attitudes necessary for successful parenting in early childhood. Learn stages of development, parenting styles, non-violent discipline skills, tips on avoiding accidents, problems & more!	February 14, 21 & 28 6:00-8:00 pm	Family, Adult and Children First Council 831 College Avenue Lancaster, Ohio	Registration required. Contact Pam Redding at 740-652-7287 or pkredding@co.fairfield.oh.us for more information.	Free
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 individual- ized study programs and support for each student dependent upon their needs and skill level.	December 12 January 23 February 27 6:00-8:00 pm January 9 February 13 1:00-3:00 pm	Lancaster Fairfield Community Action Agency 1743 E. Main Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration required Call Sue Bennett at 740-653-4146 or email Sue at shendley@faircaa.org for more information	Free
Active Art Paint up some fun with your toddler — We'll take care of the mess! Projects will be done first, followed by stories and rhymes while the projects dry. Aprons available.	January 17 February 21 10:30 am	Fairfield County District Library—Bremen Branch 200 School Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration required. Call 740-569-7246 to register	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.	January 10, 17, 24 & 31 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 pkredding@co.fairfield.oh.us for more information.	Free
AHA! Messy Mondays and Story Times Thursdays Join us at the AHA! Museum each Monday throughout the winter to enjoy hands-on, messy art projects and on Thursdays throughout the winter for story time.	Mondays 10:30 am-2:30 pm Thursdays 10:30 or 11:30 am 12:30 pm	AHA! Museum 315 S. Broad Street Lancaster, Ohio	For more information, call 740-653-1010 or visit us at www.aha4kids.org	Museum entrance fee
Alice in un-Winter Wonderland Escape winter for a while with Alice and her Wonderland friends! This event is geared toward families with children under the age of 10.	February 25 11:00 am	Early Literacy Center Library Northwest Branch 2855 Helena Drive, NW Carroll, Ohio	Registration Required Call 740-756-4391	Free
All Aboard the Polar Express Children are welcome to join us in their pajamas as we read the classic Christmas story The Polar Express! Afterwards, we'll enjoy some holiday activities. Thank you Friends of the Library for providing snacks & hot chocolate. Due to the length of the story, this program is best for children age 4 & up.	December 19 6:30 pm	Fairfield County District Library—Main Branch 219 N. Broad Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration Requested For more information and to register, call 740-653-2745.	Free
<b>Be My Pinterest Valentine</b> Get ready for Valentine's Day with our very valentiney, Pinterest inspired projects! This activity is geared toward families with children under the age of 10.	February 11 11:00am	Early Literacy Center Library Northwest Branch 2855 Helena Drive, NW Carroll, Ohio	Registration Requested Call 740-756-4391	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.	January February	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 cprobasco@co.fairfield.oh.us for more information.	Free

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CPR and First Aid Trainings  Be prepared to save a life! This CPR class will teach you about how to aid in Choking, CPR and AED operation for all ages. Be prepared to know how to handle an emergency until the squad arrives! This First Aid class will teach you what to do with bleeding injuries, sprains, broken bones, and common injuries until professional help arrives.	January 14 February 11 CPR 8:30 am First Aid 12:00n	Fairfield Medical Center 401 North Ewing Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration Required For more information and to register, call 740-687-8477.	\$35 per person/ per class
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.	December 2 January 20 February 17 10:00-11:00 am	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
Elephant and Piggie Party!  Calling all Elephant and Piggie Fans! If you love the books by Mo Willems, then this is the party for you! Stories, games, crafts and of course, ICE CREAM for all ages! Elephant and Piggie will be available during the program for an awesome book character selfie! Registration requested — we want to have plenty of ice cream for everyone!	January 8 2:00 pm	Fairfield County District Library—Main Branch 219 N. Broad Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration Requested For more information and to register, call 740-653-2745.	Free
Fairfield County Housing Coalition The Coalition is concerned about the issues of homelessness and affordable housing in our community. Participation of residents of our community is welcome and encouraged.	December 8 January 12 February 9 8:15 am	111 South Broad Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required For more information contact Donna Fox-Moore at Lancas- ter-Fairfield Community Action at 740-653-4146	Free
Family Fun Night Family Fun Night allows for group grief support through family activities, as well as, separate break-out sessions for children, teens and caregivers. Join the fun! New activities each month.	January 15 February 20 4:00-5:30 pm	The Anita M. Turner Center 282 Sells Road Lancaster, Ohio	Registration Required Contact Tracey Miller at 740-654-7077 for more information.	Free
Family Grief CAMP This 3-hour Grief Camp for Children, Teens and Caregivers is designed to provide opportunities for grieving children and teens to meet others grieving while learning to express themselves and build relationships. Activities include: Family Movement, Child Art Expression, Adult Art Expression, Trust Building, Family Drum Circle, and Family Team Building.	February 4	The Anita M. Turner Center 282 Sells Road Lancaster, Ohio	Registration Required Contact Tracey Miller at 740-654-7077 for more information.	Free
Gift of Time including Day of Dental Care There is no gift more special than time spent with your loved ones! Share some holiday fun with your pre-school aged child including crafts, treats, and photos with Santa. Day of Dental Care is included with this event! Come for free dental exams for the whole family!	December 3 10:00 am-2:00 pm	Lancaster High School 1312 Granville Pike Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not Required For more information, contact Cathy Crawford @ membership@ fairfieldaeyc.org.	Free
Glow-in-the-Dark Day Make your evening shine! Try our glow-in-the-dark activities to brighten this cold, dark night! This event is for families with children under the age of 10.	December 20 6:00 pm	Early Literacy Center Library Northwest Branch 2855 Helena Drive, NW Carroll, Ohio	Registration Requested Call 740-756-4391	Free
Holiday Fun Night This is a family night to preview some of the lights and decorations at Alley Park. Participants will help the outdoor education staff members make ornaments that will be used for the Santa and Friends donation tree. Hot chocolate will be available!	December 5 6:00-8:00 pm	Alley Park Lower Level of the Goslin Nature Center 2805 Old Logan Rd SE Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required For more information call 740-681-5025.	Free
Jingle Jam  Fairfield Christian Church presents "Jingle Jam"! — a free family fun experience with a purpose! Music, Comedy, Games, and Prizes for the entire family!	December 11 Doors open at 5:45 pm	Fairfield Christian Church 1965 North Columbus St Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required Please visit FairfieldChristian.org for more information	Free

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KidsQuest Family Movie Night KidsQuest, the Children's Ministry of Fairfield Christian Church, presents another Quality Family Time Event! Join us for a FREE Family Movie Night. Free popcorn and lemonade will be served! Everyone is welcome!!	February 26 5:00 pm	Fairfield Christian Church 1965 North Columbus St Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required Please visit FairfieldChristian.org for more information	Free
Mad Scientists Create gooey quicksand, build sensational speakers from paper tubes, and more! Put on your mad scientist lab coat and goggles and gear up for a science series full of learning fun! This activity is for children in first grade and older.	January 31 February 28 5:15 pm	Fairfield County District Library Baltimore Branch 205 E. Market Street Baltimore, Ohio	Registration Requested Call 740-862-8505 for more information and to register.	Free
Make It & Take It Grab Bag  Variety is the spice of life! We'll have a hodgepodge of crafts to make and take. There will be a little bit of this and a little bit of that. Come check it out! Fun for the whole family!	December 27 4:00-5:30 pm	Fairfield County District Library Johns Branch 116 E. High Street Amanda, Ohio	Registration not required	Free
Maker Mash Up Snap Circuits, LittleBits, and Keva Planks and more will be available for kids to play, learn and explore! Perfect for kids who love to build and tinker. Add some STEM to your Sunday! For children ages 6+.	December 11 2:00-4:00 pm	Fairfield County District Library Main Branch 219 N. Broad Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration requested	Free
Mock Caldecott  Don't you just love that new book smell? Check out some of the best picture books of 2016 and vote for your favorite in our Mock Caldecott election. Educators, parents and children are all welcome to attend! Thank you to the Fairfield Association for the Education of Young Children for co-hosting this event. Light refreshments will be served.	January 7 2:00-4:00 pm	Fairfield County District Library Main Branch 219 N. Broad Street Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required	Free
Santa and Friends Those attending will walk through the park, look at the Christmas Lights, visit and have pictures with Santa, warm up with some hot chocolate and listen to stories!	December 8, 9, & 10 6:00-8:00 pm	Alley Park 2805 Old Logan Rd SE Lancaster, Ohio	Registration not required For more information call the main park office at 740-687-6651.	Free
Santa Saturday Event Santa Claus will visit the Pickerington Public Library. Live music will be provided by the One More Time String Band. Those attending will learn about holiday traditions from around the world. Activities and treats will be available.	December 3 2:00-4:00 pm	Pickerington Public Library 201 Opportunity Way Pickerington, Ohio	Registration Requested Call 614-837-4104 for more information.	Free
'Twas the Night Before Christmas Cozy up in your favorite pajamas for a reading of "'Twas the Night Before Christmas" and other fun activities! Geared for families with children under the age of 10.	December 20 6:00 pm	Early Literacy Center Library Northwest Branch 2855 Helena Drive, NW Carroll, Ohio	Registration Required Call 740-756-4391	Free
Winter Carnival and Tree Lighting Free family friendly event! Horse drawn carriage rides, children's crafts, elf scavenger hunt, pictures with Santa and lots more! Free cookies, hot chocolate and caroling during the tree lighting ceremony beginning @ 4:45pm.	December 3 12:00-5:00 pm	Downtown Lancaster Main & Broad Streets Lancaster, Ohio	Registration Not Required	Free
Winter Reading Wonderland It's the winter holiday season and we would love your help in making our library a winter wonderland! Escape the cold and visit us to make a beautiful hand-crafted ornament for yourself or a loved one; and while you're at it, make a second ornament to help decorate our tree for all to see. Fun for all ages!!	December 13 5:15 pm	Fairfield County District Library Baltimore Branch 205 E. Market Street Baltimore, Ohio	Registration Requested Call 740-862-8505 for more information and to register.	Free

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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! December-Awards Ceremony; January-"Meeting Etiquette 101"; February - "Hobby to Employment"	December 14 January 25 February 22 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.	December 15 January 19 February 16 6:30 pm	Trinity United Methodist Church 6389 Blacklick Eastern Rd Pickerington	Registration Required Please rsvp at CoffeeTeaAndAutism_ Fairfield@gmail.com	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.	December 17 January 21 February 18 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
Sensory Friendly Movies Cinemark Theater in Lancaster continues to offer sensory- friendly showings of child-friendly movies! 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 and meet others walking the same path as yourself. Awesome, nonjudgmental professionals to teach new coping strategies. A place to share your struggles	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!

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.ci.lancaster.oh.us

Pickerington Parks & Recreation: www.pickerington.net

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

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740-652-7287 or pkredding@co.fairfield.oh.us

Destination Downtown: www.DestinationDowntownLancaster.com

Fairfield Medical Center: www.fmchealth.org

Lancaster City Schools: Lancaster.k12.oh.us

Upward Sports: www.upward.org

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