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RCP Mission

Robbins Children's Programs provides quality, affordable child care to families in local communities. The agency is committed to creating an environment where children can develop age appropriate cognitive, social, physical and emotional skills. Robbins Children's Programs partners with local families to help their children learn and grow into healthy, happy, successful members of society.



Robbins Children's Programs * 803 North Main Street * Attleboro, MA 02703
Serving Children & Families from Attleboro, North Attleboro, Mansfield, Plainville, Norton & Rehoboth



From the Executive Director's Desk

As we move into Fall and Winter, I would like to reflect on our year so far. Our primary focus going into 2024 was continuing to grow enrollment and recruit & retain experienced, nurturing, educated staff. I am thrilled to say we have increased our numbers significantly over 2023 and are fully staffed at this time. As part of reaching this strategic goal we reached out to families, board members and the public to help us evaluate our website. As a result of the feedback we received, we have updated & restructured our website to provide a friendly experience which is more informative, modern and engaging than our prior website. RCP has also diligently been working on creating a greater social media presence through frequent updates, information and pictures, check out our Facebook and Instagram pages. We have also engaged a company who has developed a professional video of our agency to highlight the facility and programs we provide. This is slated to be completed in the coming month which we will announce when available on our website www.robbinscp.org.

Congratulations is in order! We recently received NAEYC (National Association for the Education of Young Children) accreditation for the 25th year! NAEYC accreditation shows our commitment to delivering the promise of high-quality early learning to allow young children to thrive now to create a better tomorrow for all of us. We feel it is essential to support each child as an individual to allow them to reach their full potential and become successful & lifelong learners. None of this would be possible without the commitment to our mission and vision of our hard-working staff who go above and beyond daily.

Check out our NAEYC Week of the Young Child activities in this newsletter.

This summer has been a whirlwind of activity with a big shout out to our year-round staff & the staff we hire for summer staff as they worked together to keep the children engaged, active and happy. While our pool days & water play were a nice respite from the heat of the summer, the children also had fun filled field trips to several children's museums, bowling, Roger Williams Zoo and to Wards Berry Farm. While at the center we had visits from The Hula Hoop Lady, Rick Morrin, New England Reptile and many more. We also had fun with our own Olympic games, Robbins Got Talent, our yoga club, cooking club, chess club and Lets Grow Sports.

School-age kids were actively engaged with their Community Outreach Project this summer.

The Dish-It-Up 3rd annual food drive was held with donations of food and health supplies going to the Family Resource Center and Murray Church Food Pantry in Attleboro. Many thanks to all who donated food items and cash. The RCP Charitable Fund will be matching the donations of food and cash to enhance the donation to these worthy organizations in the Attleboro community.

We are now in Back-to-School mode, which means scheduling busses, homework time and other fall activities. The school-age children are planning a Sock, Hat & Glove drive for local shelters. Check out the Sock-It-To-Me drive info in this newsletter. In addition, we are holding our **20th Annual Holiday Fair. December 7 from 10am-1pm. A fun time for families and the public to kick off the Holiday Season.**

Thank you to our Board, Staff, Families and Donors for their ongoing support. You are what makes RCP the best childcare agency in our area.

Janice Chabot
Executive Director
Robbins Children's Programs



Staying Connected What's New?

www.RobbinsCP.org

We have launched a new look for our website which was redesigned based on feedback from families and staff.

Content has been organized for viewing and searching allowing visitors to find information and be more informed about the agency.

We have developed scheduled Blogs with topics related to child development, behavior management self care and fun family ideas.

Miss Giselle shares her childcare and agency knowledge and journalism expertise in the development of these informative blogs. You can find her blogs posted on the website.

Facebook and Instagram are also tools we use to communicate information about all the great activities and happenings at RCP. Check us out and share with your social media contacts.

Coming Soon! Watch for the upcoming announcement of the new video, which will highlight the facility and wonderful programs offered to families in the greater Attleboro area.

Many thanks to Miss Cheryl for keeping this all working smoothly and getting the word out about all the wonderful activities happening at RCP.

STEAM

Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math

At Robbins, our curriculum with STEAM based activities provides hands-on and minds-on lessons for each student. Providing opportunities to explore STEAM-related concepts helps to develop a healthy passion for learning. Over several weeks in May, the school age and pre-school children watched the life cycle of a butterfly. They received the little caterpillars, watched them grow, create their cocoon's and turned into beautiful butterflies. They were fed oranges, watermelon and nectar. Each butterfly had a name and was released into the wild.



Staff members are always looking to enhance our STEAM program here at RCP.

Ms. Felicia and Ms. Isabella attended a conference that focused on Out of School programs and how we can strengthen the STEAM components in our program!

S.T.E.A.M. GALLERY

STEAM
MONDAY, APRIL 22ND-FRIDAY APRIL 26TH

PRESCHOOL	SCHOOL AGE
SOME CHECK OUT OUR STEAM ART GALLERY ALL WEEK DURING DROP OFF/PICK UP!	DISPLAYS WILL BE PLACED IN THE PLAY LOBBY
	DISPLAYS WILL BE PLACED IN BALFOUR WAY

ENTER TO WIN!

RAFFLE

WE WILL BE RAFFLING OFF CODING ROBOTS!!

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE ENTERED INTO THE RAFFLE, PLEASE FILL OUT A RAFFLE TICKET AT YOUR CHILD'S DESIGNATED AREA.



EARN A 5.5 HOUR CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

FREE CONFERENCE!

Full STEAM Ahead!
April 2024 OST Conference

Are you an afterschool professional looking to strengthen your program's STEAM education components? Join us!

Join the Massachusetts Afterschool Partnership for our FREE spring conference, "Full STEAM Ahead!" MAP will be joined by presenters from across Massachusetts to share best practices in afterschool and summer science, technology, engineering, arts, and math (STEAM) education, including presentations on basic STEAM, incorporating arts into STEAM, and working in the environment. We look forward to seeing you there!

The Event Will Be Held On:
April 25, 2024
9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Devens Commons Center
37 Andrews Plwy, Devens, MA 01434

What's included

- Presentations from STEM experts
- Access to free STEAM curriculum
- Free National Afterschool Association membership
- Breakfast and lunch included
- Networking time

Featured Presenters

- Boston Museum of Science
- Boys and Girls Club of Stoneham & Woburn
- Family Engagement Project
- Living Child Institute
- NASA
- National Institute on Out-of-School Time

Featured Vendors

- New England Wildlife Center
- Central Mass. Robotics, Inc. (CMRC)
- LEGO Education
- New England Wildlife Center
- NOVA
- The Institute for Education and Professional Development

Register at:
fullsteamahead.eventbrite.com

Funded by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.



Our Summer Program can't be beat!

Fun & Educational

WEEKLY SUMMER THEMES

- 6/17-6/21 FUN WEEK
- 7/01-7/05 CODING
- 7/08-7/12 ART
- 7/15-7/19- ADVENTURES UNLIMITED
- 7/22-7/26 HEALTHY HABITS
- 7/29-8/02 GOING FOR GOLD
- 8/05-8/09 OUTDOOR EXPLORER
- 8/12-8/16 MUSIC
- 8/19-8/23 RCP GOT TALENT
- 8/26-8/30 SCIENCE

MEET THE TEACHERS



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**SUMMER PROGRAM
2024**

Robbins
Children's Programs, Inc.



STEAM
Science Technology Engineering The Arts Mathematics

SUMMER DOESN'T MEAN THAT THE LEARNING STOPS! STEAM WILL CONTINUE TO BE A PART OF OUR SUMMER CURRICULUM AND EVERY CLASS WILL ENGAGE IN VARIETY OF PROJECTS AND EXPERIMENTS.



SUMMER FIELD TRIPS

SOME FIELD TRIPS & MORE WE WILL BE GOING TO ARE:

- POOL
- ROGER WILLIAMS PARK ZOO
- MOVIES
- PROVIDENCE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM
- BOSTON CHILDREN'S MUSEUM
- NEW ENGLAND REPTILES
- WARD'S BERRY FARM
- BOWLING

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT SOME FIELD TRIPS ARE BASED BY AGE GROUP.



REMINDER

PLEASE REMEMBER TO ALWAYS PACK YOUR CHILD AN EXTRA PAIR OF CLOTHING, BATHING SUIT, AND TOWELS! POOL DAYS ARE TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY. WE SEND HOME YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHING EVERY FRIDAY TO BE WASHED AND BROUGHT BACK ON MONDAY!



Summer Fun!

Summer is always a fun and learning experience here at RCP.

Below are highlights of the activities during the Summer of 2024.

BLISS BOULEVARD

T-Shirt dying & Red/White & Blue Jello desserts, cooking and making slime



BUMBLE BEE CLASSROOM

Space Exploration, Planets & Air Travel



SCHOOL AGE CLASSROOMS

Martial Arts Class
By
Mastery Martial Arts, North Attleboro.

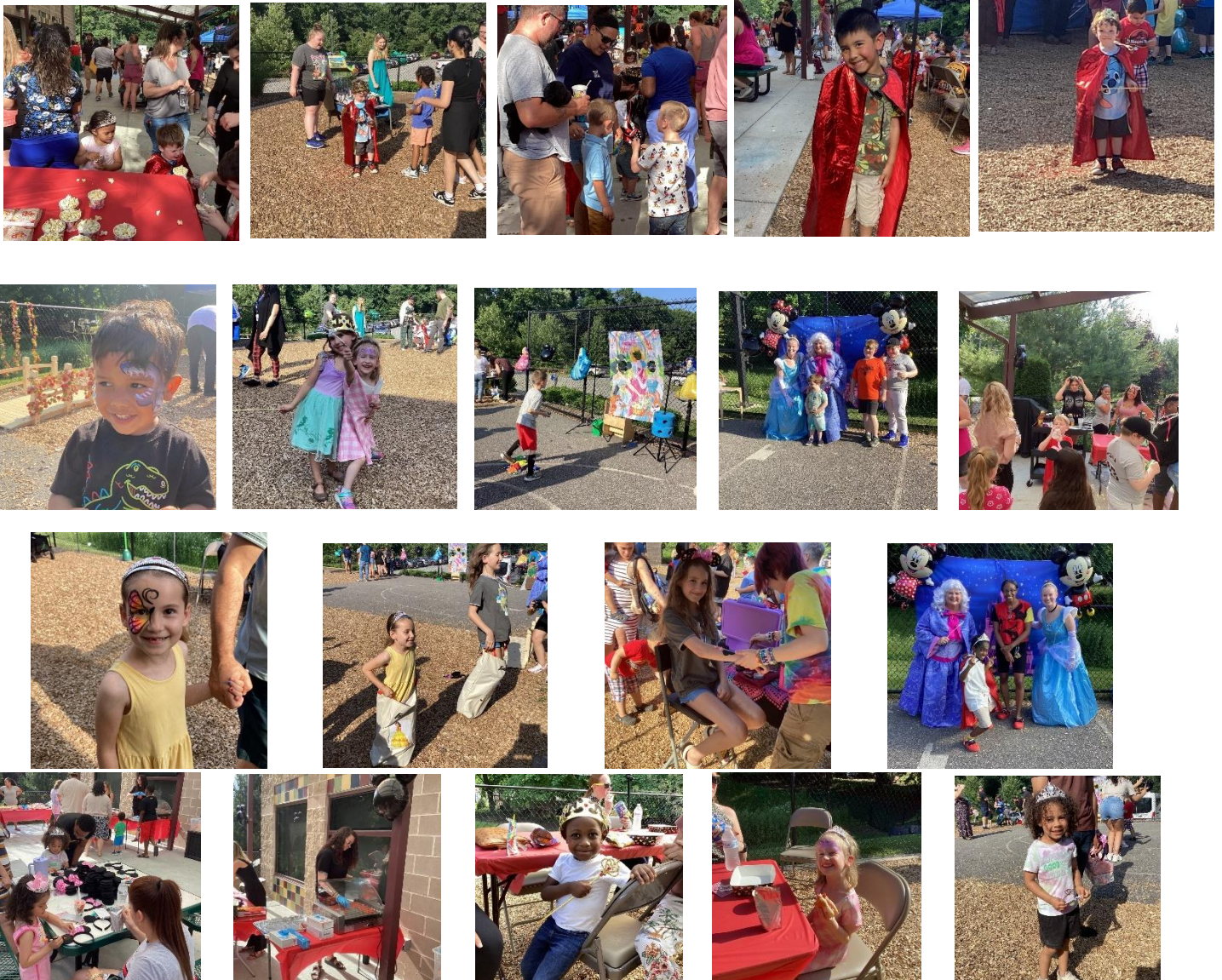
The children had a blast!



To see more of our Summer activities check us out on Facebook and Instagram.

End of the Year Celebration – Disney Theme

Food, Games, Face Painters and Art Projects.
We even had a special visit from Cinderella and her Fairy Godmother





Professional Development Day

Professional days are a time when the staff can come together as a group to review policies and to discuss issues and concerns. It is also time to have a little team building fun.

Miss Kayla, Transportation Coordinator, always has some great teambuilding games planned for the staff.



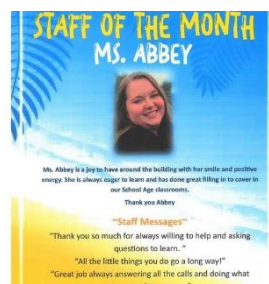
RED TEAM

WHITE TEAM

BLUE TEAM



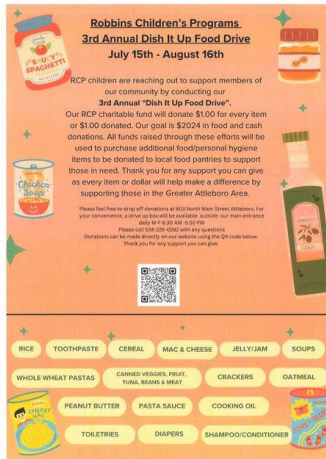
The **Staff of the Month** recognition is another way our wonderful Staff is highlighted.



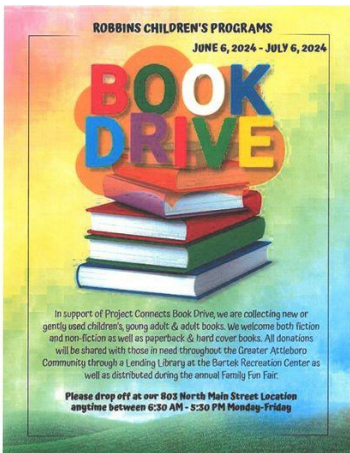
Community Outreach

RCP Kids 2024 Community Outreach Project

"Dish It Up" Food & Essentials Collection



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We supported our friends at Project Connect by holding a Book Drive at RCP in June. Books will be donated to Project Connect who will be distributing them throughout greater Attleboro at various locations and events.



Sock-It-To-Me

October 1-31

Donations of **New** Socks, Hats & Gloves/Mittens are being collected during the month of October and will be donated to local shelters.

Donations may be made on our website www.robbinscp.org and items will be purchased and donated on your behalf.

Attleboro Farmer's Market at La Salette Shrine, Attleboro, MA

RCP Staff and Board members represented the agency as one of the non-profit participants at the **Attleboro Farmer's Market** on Saturday August 24th and Saturday September 28th from 9-1

Our information table had a free children's book, Amazon Gift Card drawing, and information about the agency and other goodies for the families that stopped by.

We look forward to next year!



Day of Service

The support of local businesses and their employees is an essential part of our agency's success and very much appreciated.

Our partnership with Sensata Technologies and their Day of Service team has been a true blessing for our agency. Their support has enriched our program and lightened the load for our board and staff. We can't say it enough, **Thank You Sensata Technologies and employees!**



Celebrating NAEYC's Week of the Young Child



The children in Ocean Ave loved having one of our School Age friends stop by to read to them!



Rainbow Road's Artsy Thursday



Donuts with a Grown-up Breakfast



2024 EVENTS & FUNDRAISERS

An Open House was held in August for families to tour our facility and meet staff and several Board members as well.

Robbins Children's Programs
OPEN HOUSE
Wednesday August 7th - 4:30 -6:30 PM

SAVE THE DATE

Come see our modern spacious facility with a personalized tour

Come See...
RCP has three fun outdoor playgrounds. We also have a large indoor play area for gross motor play on a rainy, snowy, too hot, or too cold day. This allows the children to get up and get moving no matter what the weather.

Find out more
For detailed information about all of our programs, please visit our website at robbinscp.org

Can't make it on August 7th? Call 508-226-0282 and schedule a tour with our Enrollment Coordinator

Light refreshments will be served

Before & After School Transportation available to **most** Attleboro & North Attleboro Schools*.
Home transportation available for those with a verified service need*.
*a separate fee may be assessed for transportation

NAEYC Accredited Programs
Stop by and meet our exceptional Educators & Board of Directors. Discover all we have to offer in our preschool program and our before & after school programs.

Robbins Children's Programs

Holiday Fair

*Elves Cafe~~ Baked Goods~~
Face Painting~~
Raffle Baskets~~Children's
Activities ~~ Live Entertainment
and a visit from Santa!*

**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 7, 2024**

**FROM 10:00AM-
1:00 PM**

**OPEN TO ALL ROBBIN'S
FAMILIES AND YOUR
FRIENDS**



Help Us Reach Our Fundraising Goal!

Every purchase of premium nuts, gourmet confections and sweet & savory snack mixes benefits our cause.



Terri Lynn offers an incredible assortment of premier products not available in retail stores—there's something for everyone!

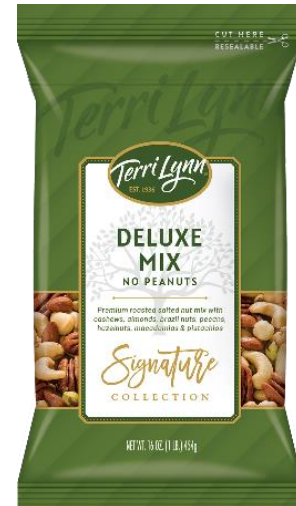
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Terri Lynn Nuts & Chocolates

TO ORDER:

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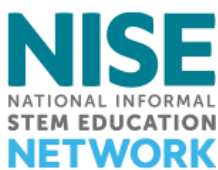
This fundraiser runs continuously throughout the year so when you have a craving for high quality nuts and chocolates to give as a gift or for yourself, click on the link and help our fundraising efforts!

[Fundraising for Robbins Childrens Programs | Attleboro, MA \(terrylynn.com\)](http://Fundraising for Robbins Childrens Programs | Attleboro, MA (terrylynn.com))



Thank You to Our Donors, Supporters and Partners

- Alan Smith CPAs PC
- Attleboro Literacy Center
- Balfour Foundation
- Bristol County Savings Bank
- Christmas Is For Kids
- Department of Early Childhood Education and Care (EEC)
- Family Network – Attleboro Public Schools
- Massachusetts Department of Children and Families (DCF)
- Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)
- Project Connect
- RCP Board of Directors
- Robbins Family
- Sensata Technologies
- Southeast STEM Network
- Starkweather & Shepley Insurance
- The Turkey Brigade
- United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley



[Regional STEM Networks | Mass.gov](https://www.mass.gov/regional-stem-networks)



How Can You Show Your Support for the Children, Families and Agency?

Donations to Robbins Children's programs may be made in the following ways:

- Send a Check made payable to: **Robbins Children's Programs**, 803 North Main Street, Attleboro, MA 02703. Attn: Executive Director
- **On-Line Donation:** Click on the **Donate Now** website link
In the **FOR** field enter the word **Donation** and continue with the additional information needed to process the donation.
- Attend an event such as our Holiday Fair. (poster in the newsletter)
- Donate an item(s) on our website and **Amazon WISH LIST. (List below)**
- Discuss with us how you can make an everlasting impact on the children and families through an endowment or directed donation. Contact the Executive Director at 508-226-0282 x107 or Email: executivedirector@robbinsCP.org

Please visit our website to learn more: www.RobbinsCP.org

Like us on Facebook at [Robbins Children's Programs](#)
And [Instagram](#) – [Robbinschildrensprogram803](#)

Thank you for all your support!





Robbins Children's Programs Wish List

Please share our Wish List with Friends, Family, Co-workers and Company Representatives.

Amazon Wish List Link: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1SPRSE5Z0A7JY?ref=wl_share

Agency Needs

Program Needs

<p>New Refrigerators (1)</p> <p>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1SPRSE5Z0A7JY?ref=wl_share</p>	<p>Outdoor Gross Motor Games</p> <p>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1SPRSE5Z0A7JY?ref=wl_share</p>
<p>Gas Cards</p> <p>To be used for Transportation Vans which transport children to/from schools & home</p>	<p>Basketballs/Footballs/Soccer Balls</p> <p>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1SPRSE5Z0A7JY?ref=wl_share</p>
<p>Gift Cards to support Staff & Families</p> <p>Walmart, Target, Grocery store</p>	<p>Board games/playing cards</p> <p>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1SPRSE5Z0A7JY?ref=wl_share</p>
<p>Pencils & Highlighters</p> <p>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1SPRSE5Z0A7JY?ref=wl_share</p>	<p>Arts and Craft Supplies</p> <p>Preschool & School Age</p> <p>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1SPRSE5Z0A7JY?ref=wl_share</p>
<p>Storage Containers (small, medium and large)</p> <p>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1SPRSE5Z0A7JY?ref=wl_share</p>	<p>Passes to Capron Park Zoo</p>
<p>Extra clothing for children sizes 2T-10/12</p> <p>Socks and underwear always needed</p> <p>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1SPRSE5Z0A7JY?ref=wl_share</p>	<p>Passes to Roger Williams Zoo</p>
<p>Additional Items from Amazon:</p> <p>https://robbinscp-my.sharepoint.com/:w/g/personal/executivedirector_robbinscp_org/EXxJIBhAKZFLksKEuxkAcJgB5P945VbV1wFvs8OZdYmBgA</p>	<p>Pool Pass Sponsorships</p>
<p>Please Contact Cheryl Brennan at 508-226-0282 x 102</p> <p>Email: enrollment@robbinscp.org</p> <p>to discuss helping with the Wish List.</p>	<p>Children's Workshop Sponsorship</p> <p>Kid's Cooking; STEM; Art; Rhythm Room</p>
	<p>Field Trip Sponsorships:</p> <p>Oak Knoll; WWI Park; Mini Golf</p>
	<p>National Programs Sponsorships</p> <p>Lights On After School & STEAM Week</p>