

Ohio County C.E.C.C.



Participates in Ohio County's Celebrate the Child

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The Ohio County Community Early Childhood Council participated in Ohio County Celebrate the Child activity on April 27th, 2013.



Chris Westerfield, Ohio County C.E.C.C., distributes STARS materials to the families at Celebrate the Child.

Ohio County's Celebrate the Child has been an annual event since 1992. It is a special event for all the kids in Ohio County. On this day schools, local businesses, faith based organizations, and others programs

such as the Community Early Childhood Council provide free fun and activities for the children and their families. Each April over 2500 people attend to learn about Developmental Assets (R). Assets are 40 values, experiences and qualities that help children succeed as identified by the Search Institute. Go to www.search-institute.org for additional information.

This years Community Early Childhood Display was the largest one yet with support from Little Friend's Child Care Center, local Head Start staff, Ohio County's Migrant Program, and from administrative staff of Ohio County's Board of Education. The activities that the council booth provided included a book walk, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library sign-

up, visit from Dr. Suess' Cat in the Hat, Head Start, preschool, and kindergarten registration, a Head Start give away basket, Migrant Education give away basket, and distribution of STARS materials.

During Celebrate the Child, the Ohio County C.E.C.C. was able to distribute over 500 books to children who attended the event. The C.E.C.C. was also able to distribute STARS materials including STARS tote bags, pens, magnets, clips, and STARS informational materials to 800 families. Numerous families signed up for more information on the local Head Start, preschool, and kindergarten programs.



Kara Bullock, Ohio County C.E.C.C., greets Representative Tommy Thompson as he dropped by the Community Early Childhood booth at Ohio County's Celebrate the Child.

Celebrate the Child provides an opportunity for all participating organizations to promote school readiness.