



SSCC Patri-Tots Pre-K students make mini volcanos, a science activity that helps them learn new concepts through planning, predicting, observing, comparing and drawing conclusions.

SSCC Patri-Tots in Wilmington achieves perfect inspection

The Patri-Tots Learning Center at Southern State Community College's North Campus in Wilmington has just earned its sixth 100-percent compliant state licensing inspection.

"I want to commend my staff for this achievement," said Karee Shaw, site administrator. "We are a high-quality, award-winning center because of their continued dedication to our children and their families."

In October 2013, the center received a Three-Star Step-Up-To-Quality (SUTQ) award from the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. SUTQ is a voluntary quality rating system which helps parents identify early care and education programs that go beyond the minimum standards of licensing.

Southern State houses Patri-Tots centers on its North Campus in Wilmington and Central Campus in Hillsboro. Both are licensed by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) and serve children from ages 18 months to five years.

The centers offer developmentally appropriate activities within a preschool setting. Qualified teachers align their curriculum with the Ohio's Early Learning and Development Standards--birth through K-entry. The centers are open weekdays from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and have part- and full-time care options.

For more information, please call 1-800-628-7722, ext. 4629 (Wilmington site) or ext. 2629 (Hillsboro site) or visit <http://www.sccc.edu/services/patri-tots.shtml>.

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