

## SSCC Patri-Tots' Summer Fest slated for July 21

*Wilmington campus hosts open house for child learning center*

The Patri-Tots Learning Center will host a Summer Fest open house from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 21, at the North Campus location of Southern State Community College, 1850 Davids Drive, Wilmington.

Area families who are interested in a preschool for their child(ren), either now or in the future, are encouraged to attend. Families will have the opportunity to see each of the classrooms and explore the extensive playground areas. The Site Administrator and teachers will be on-hand to answer questions. There will be food and fun for all. In addition to games and prizes for the children, there will be door prizes for parents. There will also be a bouncy house for the children to enjoy.

"We are excited to invite the community to visit our early learning center," said Site Administrator Karee Shaw. "They will get a firsthand look at our Step Up To Quality Two-Star Awarded center that has also received four 100-percent complaint state licensing inspection in the past two years. We are hoping that Summer Fest will help raise awareness of our quality center and the fact that we not only serve SSCC, but also the entire community."

Southern State houses Patri-Tots Learning Centers at Central Campus in Hillsboro and North Campus in Wilmington. Both child learning centers are licensed by the ODJFS and are open five days a week serving community members and college students, faculty and staff. The Patri-Tots locations are currently accepting children from 18 months to 5 years of age. There are both part-time and full-time space options at each location.

Developmentally appropriate activities are provided by qualified teachers who have aligned their curriculum with Ohio's *Early Learning Content Standards* and *Infant and Toddler Guidelines*.

"All children, from our toddlers to our pre-kindergarten children, are part of an exceptional program that incorporates a preschool learning environment into a full-day child care setting," said Shaw.

For more information about SSCC's Patri-Tots Learning Centers, contact Karee Shaw (Wilmington site) at 1-800-628-7722, ext. 4629 or Site Administrator Kathe Chaney (Hillsboro site) at 1-800-628-7722, ext. 2629. To learn more about Southern State Community College, please visit [www.sccc.edu](http://www.sccc.edu).

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