

February

ECLC Chronicle



Abilities First Website

Great News!! Our website has been refurbished and updated and is now live for use! Use this link to share with your friends and families! Moving forward we will be using this Platform to share newsletters, important announcements, upcoming events, closures, etc. alongside Procure. Please take a look!

<https://www.abilitiesfirst.org/>



Valentines Day Sensory Slime Play

A great way to promote independent play and practice fine motor skills with the littles at home!

Recipe here:

<https://mamapapabubba.com/2013/02/05/valentines-slime-sensory-tray/>



Upcoming Events

2/6-2/10-
SPIRIT WEEK

2/12-

Superbowl

2/14 -Valentines Day

2/20 –

ECLC CLOSED for
PD day

2/28- RARE Disease
Awareness Day



Payments and SWIPES

Reminder that ALL families that receive childcare vouchers, MUST complete attendance SWIPES by end of the day Friday or your child(ren) may not attend on Monday morning. For Private Pay families (unless you have spoken to a member of leadership prior to), payments MUST be made by Friday end of day to return to care on Monday.



Resources for Families in Our Community

ENERGY
ASSISTANCE
(HEAP)

<https://selfhelps.org/applications/>

United Way of
Greater Cincinnati
- Middletown Area

<https://www.uwgc.org/>

Community
Pregnancy Center

<https://www.pregnancychoice.net/>

Rental Assistance

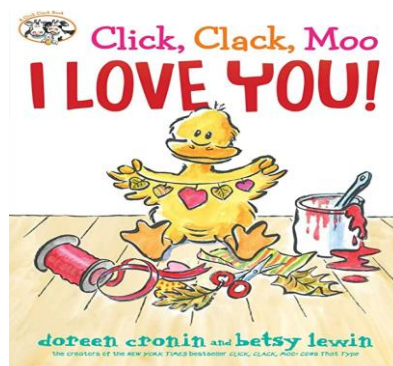
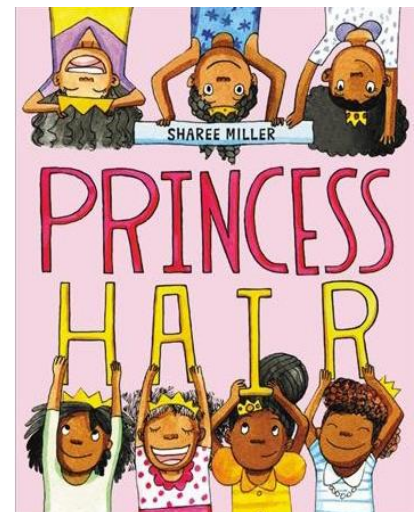
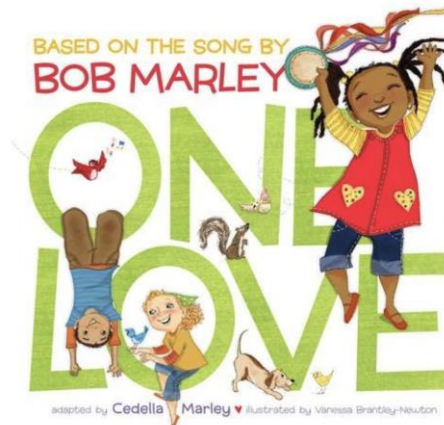
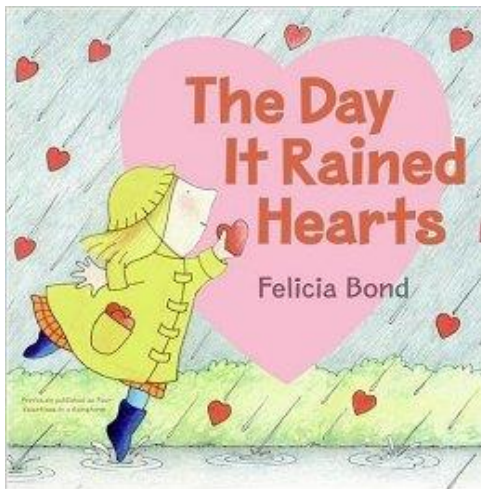
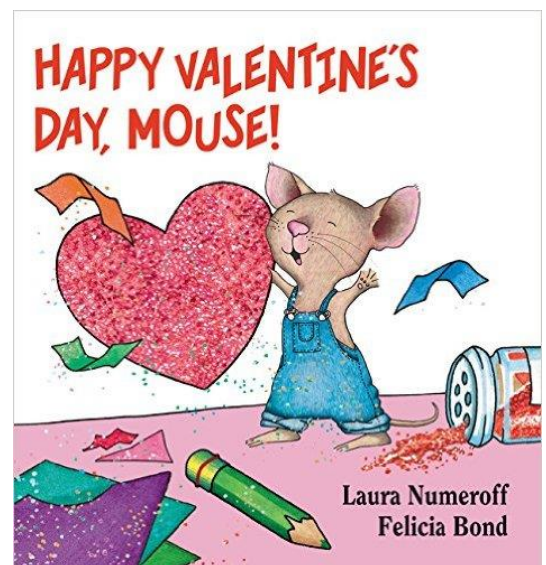
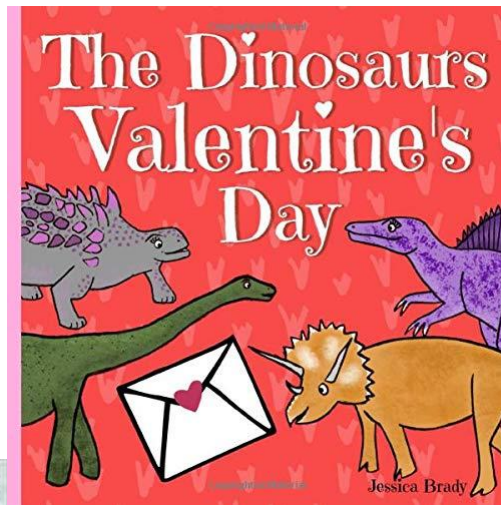
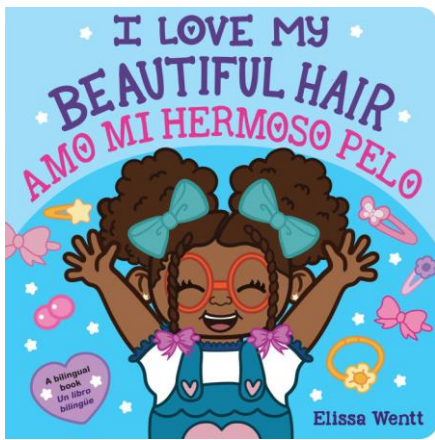
<https://development.ohio.gov/individual/energy-assistance/home-relief-grant>

ODJFS Benefits
Portal for SNAP,
childcare
vouchers, and
Medicaid

<https://ssp.benefits.ohio.gov/apsspssp/ssp.portal>

Promoting Early Literacy

Join us in promoting Early Literacy in our center and read at home with your littles! Studies show that the more a child is read to, and exposed to reading materials at an early age, the more likely they are to pass Kindergarten Readiness Assessments and to succeed in an academic setting. Early exposure to reading increases communication and language skills, and aides in social-emotional development as well. Here are some of our teacher's favorites to read in February!!



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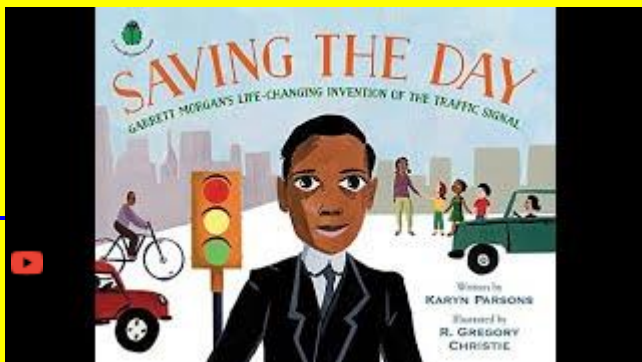
Black History Month Honors

Check out this YouTube video about Garrett Morgan in honor of Black History Month. Garrett Morgan is The first Black man in Cleveland to own a car, Morgan worked on his mechanical skills and developed a friction drive clutch. Then, in 1923, he created a new kind of traffic signal, one with a warning light to alert drivers that they would need to stop, after witnessing a carriage accident at a particularly problematic intersection in the city. Morgan quickly acquired patents for his traffic signal—a rudimentary version of the modern three-way traffic light—in the United States, Britain and Canada, but eventually sold the rights to General Electric for \$40,000. For more about his story, follow this link.

<https://www.biography.com/inventors/garrett-morgan>



[Preview YouTube video Saving The Day: Garrett Morgan's Life-Changing Invention of the Traffic Signal](#)



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lkENnAN58EM>



Punxsutawney Phil made his prediction that there would be 6 more weeks of winter this year. Please remember, that when 25 degrees or higher, we are required by ODJFS to go outside! Please send your child in appropriate clothing and send a spare set. Always bring a coat, and any other winter gear you prefer them to wear!