



# **Southern Ohio**

*Educational Service Center*



## **SOESC Connection**

### **Message from Mrs. Justice**

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone has had an opportunity to enjoy a bit of relaxation, and fun, and had some time to rejuvenate. Speaking of rejuvenation, how many have heard of the book, "How Full Is Your Bucket?" This book is about helping others by filling their bucket. According to this theory, each person has a bucket and a dipper, and with positivity, you fill your bucket and the buckets of others, but with negativity, you deplete others' buckets as well as your own.



In what words or ways do people act to fill your bucket? Are there ways to be kind to animals or in nature that fill your bucket? Where do you see people filling other people's buckets? When you fill people's buckets, how do you think they feel about you? Does it make you feel good to fill someone else's bucket?

Filling someone's bucket can be as simple as a kind word, a note of praise or thank you, being kind to everyone you meet, helping those who are struggling, paying someone a compliment, being respectful, or showing someone you care for them.

"Each of us has an invisible bucket. It is constantly emptied or filled, depending on what others say or do to us. When our bucket is full, we feel great. When our buckets are empty we feel terrible".

As we begin the 2023-24 school year, I challenge you to make intentional efforts to fill others' buckets. I guarantee that when you do, your bucket will be filled too.

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# Southern Ohio Educational Service Center News

**Welcome,  
New Team  
Members!**



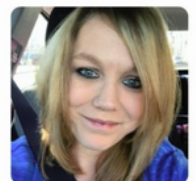
**Jody Bailey**  
State Support Team (SST)  
Consultant/Related Services  
Team Leader Supervisor



**Greg Barlow**  
State Support Team  
(SST) Consultant



**Summer Barnhart**  
Southern Ohio  
Learning Center  
Paraprofessional



**Shawna Collins**  
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**Mikala Davis**  
Educational  
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Intervention Specialist



**Hannah Garen**  
Director of Teaching &  
Learning



**Cyndi Inlow**  
Southern Ohio  
Learning Center  
Intervention Specialist



**Jason Lawson**  
Campus Monitor -  
Laurel Oaks Campus



**Desiree Mitchell**  
Health/Educational Aide -  
Peebles Elementary  
(Adams County Ohio Valley)



**Dr. Angela Nichols**  
School Psychologist -  
Washington Court House  
City Schools



**Jennie Pierson**  
State Support Team  
(SST) Consultant



**Anne Marie Shepard**  
Speech Language  
Pathologist - Sabina  
Elementary (East Clinton)



**Macy Staggs**  
Student Monitor -  
Peebles High School  
(Adams County Ohio Valley)



**Paige Souder**  
Student Monitor -  
Ohio Valley Career Tech Center  
(Adams County Ohio Valley)



**Nancy Turner**  
Southern Ohio  
Learning Center  
Paraprofessional



**Angy Williams**  
Early Childhood Intervention  
Specialist (Preschool ECIS)

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**In case you missed it**

# CHALLENGE.GOV

## Challenge.Gov

Challenge.Gov is the official GSA government website supporting prize challenges and prize competitions that are sponsored by the US federal government. Here federal agencies provide prize awards to public citizens and entities who solve problems and develop innovations.

🔗 [challenge.gov](https://challenge.gov)

State Representative Bob Peterson spoke to the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center Board of Education on Tuesday, August 22, 2023. Rep. Peterson spoke about the state budget and the change in leadership at the Ohio Dept of Education among other education issues. Board members and administrators were able to ask Rep. Peterson questions.



## Group seeks county's financial support for Workforce Development Program - Wilmington News Journal

WILMINGTON - At Wednesday's Clinton County Commissioners' meeting, community members made a presentation and said they are seeking the commissioners' financial support for a county-wide Workforce Development Program that includes a full-time workforce development director.

🔗 [wnewsj.com](https://wnewsj.com)

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## Parent Resources

### Academically Healthy - Get a Headstart on Upcoming Skills Throughout the Year



### **Home - Strong Readers MS**

The activities you will find are useful to all students at all levels. Families can move within the grades to provide their children with the activities that are on their level.

🔗 [strongreadersms.com](http://strongreadersms.com)

## **Continue Reading and Listening to Stories - Discuss the what happens**



### **Home - Storyline Online**

The SAG-AFTRA Foundation's Daytime Emmy nominated, Storyline Online, features celebrated actors including Viola Davis, Kristen Bell, Chris Pine, Lily Tomlin, Wanda Sykes, Kevin Costner, James Earl Jones, Betty White and more reading children's books to inspire a love of reading in millions of children worldwide.

🔗 [storylineonline.net](http://storylineonline.net)

## **Physically Healthy - Review skills with movement and fun!**



### **MovetoLearnMS**

Share your videos with friends, family, and the world

🔗 [youtube.com](http://youtube.com)

## **Emotionally Healthy**





### **Social-Emotional Activities for Children**

Kids can learn to manage their emotions and work on social skills. You can help your child with social-emotional learning (SEL) by playing fun games at home. There are lots of simple games you can play during everyday activities. Looking for ways to help your child with social-emotional learning (SEL)?

🔗 [understood.org](https://understood.org)

## **SOESC Resources**

### **Learning Opportunities for 2023-2024!**

Click here to view by month the exciting events SOESC has on the calendar for the new school year.

### **SOESC Governing Board**

Click here for our official Board Minutes and upcoming meeting dates.

### **SOESC Website**

Linked here is our official SOESC website.

### **SOESC Merch Store**

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## **Dates to remember for SOESC Team Members**



## Open Enrollment

Open Enrollment for 2024 will begin October 16, 2023; be sure to mark your calendar!

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The goal and main focus of the SOESC Connection Newsletter is to better communication with our team members, within our organization, and community of partners and followers. We are #Proud2BeSOESC

