



2017 Back to School Resource Guide

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Athens County Children Services “Back to School” Events

Athens County Children Services provides back to school parties/events for children enrolled in local schools. These fun and helpful events feature food, games, and school supply giveaways for school-age children in their respective districts. Contact Children Services at 740-592-3061 for additional details. The Back to School Events are sponsored by the School Outreach Program and partnering agencies. Locations and dates for the events are as follows:

<p><u>Alexander Back to School Party</u> Date: Tue, August 15 (Grades 1 - 5) Time: 5:30 pm to 7 pm Location: Alexander Elementary School</p>	<p><u>The Plains Back to School Open House</u> Date: Thu, August 24 Time: 4 pm to 6 pm Location: The Plains Elementary School</p>
<p><u>Federal Hocking Back to School Open House</u> Date: Mon, August 21 Time: 5 pm to 7 pm Location: Amesville Elementary and Coolville Elementary</p>	<p><u>Trimble Back to School Supply Party</u> Date: Tue, August 1 (Grades Preschool - 8) Time: 4 pm to 6:30 pm Location: Trimble High School</p>
<p><u>Nelsonville-York Back to School Open House</u> Date: Mon, August 21 Time: 6 pm Location: Nelsonville York Elementary School</p>	

School Supply and Clothing Giveaways

<p><u>AFSCME Local 1252</u> – <i>completed</i> – Date/Time: 7/29/2017 12 noon until supplies run out Location: parking lot of Athens Cancer Center, Castrop Center, OhioHealth O’Bleness Hospital, Athens Description: Free school supply giveaway to children.</p>	<p><u>Jason Reed Foundation School Backpack Giveaway</u> Date/Time: Sat, August 5, 2017 at 10 am – 12 noon Locations: Athens – 20 University Estates Boulevard Glouster – Trimble High School Nelsonville – Public Square Description: Free backpack and school supply giveaway. Eligibility: All children must be accompanied by parent. For more information: jreedfoundation@gmail.com</p>
<p><u>Airline Church of Christ - Operation Backpack</u> Date/Time: Starting 7/10/17 – call to arrange for pickup appointment Location: 4477 Route 681, Albany, OH 45710 Description: Register for free school supply giveaway. For more information: 740-698-7041</p>	<p><u>Nelsonville Wesleyan Church</u> – <i>completed</i> – <u>Christmas in July Giveaway</u> Date/Time: Sat, July 8 at 10 am – 2 pm Location: 600 Chestnut Street, Nelsonville, OH 45764 Description: Free clothing and school supply giveaway. For more information: 740-753-1307</p>

Additional Resources – Thrift Stores

Thrift stores sell secondhand and donated goods at a reduced price. School supplies, backpacks, and clothing may be available at the following locations (stock changes frequently). Call ahead for details or to ask about current stock.

<p><u>Athens ReUse Thrift Store</u> Address: 100 North Columbus Road, Athens, OH Hours: Mon-Sat, 9 am – 6 pm For more information: 740-594-5103</p>	<p><u>Little Blessings Thrift Store (Faith Believers Ministry)</u> Address: 8070 State Route 356, New Marshfield, OH Hours: Mon & Thu, 9 am – 2 pm For more information: 740-664-3508</p>
<p><u>Federal Valley Resource Center</u> Address: 8225 State Route 329, Stewart, OH Hours: Thu-Sat 10 am – 3 pm; call to verify open For more information: 740-662-5605</p>	<p><u>Mother Earth Community Thrift</u> Address: 5 North Shafer Street, Athens, OH Hours: Mon-Fri 10:30 am – 5:30 pm; Sat 10 am – 5 pm For more information: 740-249-4143</p>



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<p><u>Goodwill</u> Address: 743D East State Street, Athens, OH Hours: Mon-Sat, 10 am – 7 pm; Sun 12 noon – 5 pm For more information: 740-592-4105</p>	<p><u>New to You Shoppe</u> Address: 90 Columbus Road, Athens, OH Hours: Mon-Sat, 9 am – 6 pm For more information: 740-592-1842</p>
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Donation Opportunities

<p><u>Airline Church of Christ</u> Description: Accepts backpacks, school supplies, or money for purchasing school supplies and backpacks. Drop-Off Locations: Call Minister Willard Love at 740-698-7041, or send donations to Operation Backpack, Airline Church of Christ, PO Box 202, Albany, OH 45710</p>	<p><u>Community Bank Glouster</u> Date/Time: MTuWF 8:30am-4:30pm; ThSa 8:30am-Noon Location: 88 High Street, Glouster, OH 45732 Description: School supply donations accepted mid July until school starts. For information: 740-767-3121</p>
<p><u>Athens County Children Services</u> Description: Athens County Children Services accepts donations of new school supplies or money to buy school supplies. Supply lists may be available on school websites. Drop-Off Locations: Call 740-592-3061 for details.</p>	<p><u>Community Bank Nelsonville</u> Date/Time: M-F 8:30am-5:00 pm; Sa 8:30am-Noon Location: 873 Chestnut Street, Nelsonville, OH 45764 Description: School supply donations accepted mid July until school starts. For information: 740-753-4313</p>
<p><u>Community Bank Amesville</u> Date/Time: MTuWF 8:30am-3 pm; Th 8:30am-Noon Location: 25 State Street, Amesville, OH 45711 Description: School supply donations accepted from mid July until school starts. For details: 740-448-2212</p>	<p><u>Hopewell Health Centers (REACH Program)</u> Description: Accepts school supply donations for area youth who are part of the REACH program through Hopewell Health Centers, Inc. Drop-Off Locations: To arrange donations 740-753-9656</p>
	<p><u>Wendys Restaurants</u> Date/Time: Through July 31, 2017 during open hours Locations: Boxes in Wendys on East State Street, Court Street or Richland Avenue in Athens Description: Accepts new tennis shoes for Lace Up For Kids Program with Athens County Children Services. For more information: Visit an area Wendys Restaurant</p>

School Start Days for Students

<u>School District</u>	<u>2017-2018 Student Start Date</u>	<u>School Web Site</u>
Alexander Local Schools	Thu, August 17, 2017	www.alexanderschools.org
Athens City Schools	Mon, August 28, 2017	www.athenscsd.org
Federal Hocking Local Schools	Wed, August 23, 2017	www.fedhock.com
Nelsonville-York City Schools	Wed, August 23, 2017	www.nelsonvilleyork.k12.oh.us
Trimble Local Schools	Wed, August 16, 2017	www.trimble.k12.oh.us

Ohio Tax Holiday on School Supplies

S.B. 9 enacted a sales tax holiday in Ohio to occur beginning Friday, August 4, 2017 at 12:01 am and ending Sunday, August 6, 2017 at 11:59 pm. Items that are exempt from sales and use tax include clothing priced at \$75 per item or less, school supplies priced at \$20 per item or less, and school instructional material priced at \$20 per item or less. Items used in a trade or business are not exempt under the sales tax holiday. For more information, call 800-304-3211 (TTY: 800-750-0750) or visit www.tax.ohio.gov/sales_and_use/SalesTaxHoliday.aspx.