

Forsyth Tech opens onsite child care program for training

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Forsyth Tech has opened an Early Childhood LAB School at 2410 Oak Grove Center on the college's main campus in Winston-Salem that is designed to provide Early Childhood Education students with onsite supervised, hands-on teaching experience and instruction. The program is open to Forsyth Tech faculty and students as well as the general public and is now accepting applications.

The LAB school has been created for children ages 3 to 5 with a maximum capacity of 15 children. The half-day program runs Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to noon, giving children up to four hours of participation in an enriching and well-planned environment. The best-practices program is designed to stimulate

growth and development, meeting the individual needs of each child. The daily curriculum includes indoor and outdoor activi-



ties, art, music, math, science, language and literacy, dramatic play, gross and fine motor coordination, and technology. Nutritious snacks are also provided. There is a one-time registration fee of \$75 and tuition is \$300 per month per child.

"We are so excited about the opening of our Early Childhood LAB school - our vision for this teaching facility has been 15 years in the making," says Karatha Scott, the lab school coordinator. "This program is vital to the training of our early child-

hood education students, and provides them with the same level of expert training, instruction and supervision that's available at four-year institutions. It represents an investment in the future as most of our students will get jobs right here in our local community after they graduate."

Forsyth Tech Early Childhood Education interns are carefully supervised and coached by certified teachers who possess strong backgrounds in early childhood education and who mentor the students in how to administer quality, nurturing care in an environment that is developmentally appropriate, stimulating and comfortable.

Parents are welcome to interact with their children via the Observation Room or Parent-Resource Corner,

which is stocked with age-appropriate books, games, technology, book packs and other academic materials that are available for parents to check out. The Parent-Resource Corner was created through a \$23,000 grant from the Kate B. Reynolds Foundation and is designed to develop literacy pathways with innovative school-to-home and home-to-school learning options for parents and their children.

The LAB school schedule will align with Forsyth Tech's academic calendar year schedule.

For more information, contact Karatha Scott at 336.734.7974 or kscott@forsythtech.edu or visit <https://www.forsythtech.edu/early-childhood-lab-school/>.

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Black Philanthropy Initiative requests 2016 grant proposals

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Nonprofit organizations serving the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County area are now eligible to apply for grant funding from the Foundation's

Black Philanthropy Initiative (BPI), a volunteer-led group dedicated to celebrating the traditions of giving in the black community.

BPI is now accepting program proposals for its three focus areas below. Organizations seeking to enhance their current programs or those planning to implement new programming serving African-Americans in our community are encouraged to apply.

1. Education - program areas may include: after-school programs, mentoring programs, and programs designed to improve graduation rates or other educational programs with an academic focus.

2. Parenting - program areas may include: teen parenting, fatherhood, child-parent relationships, and other related issues for either teens or adults.

3. Financial Literacy - program areas may include debt avoidance, finance, savings, budgeting, and related issues for either teens or adults.

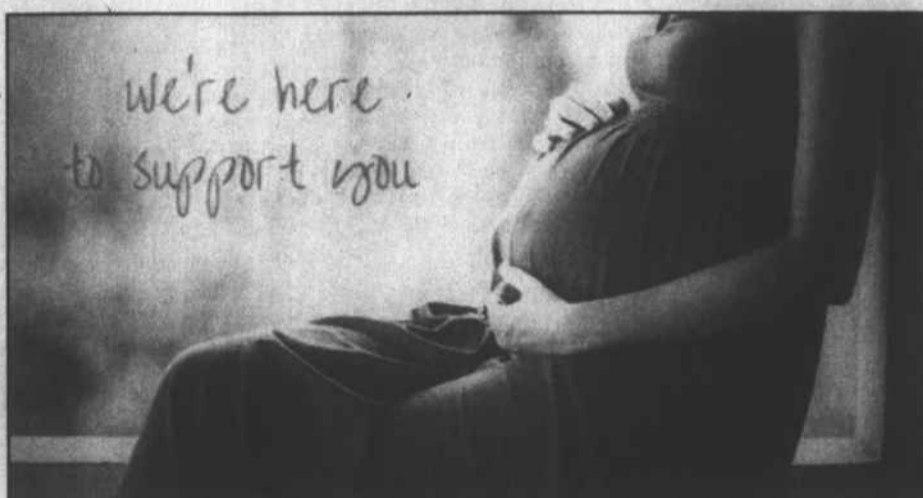
The Black Philanthropy Initiative will make grants in amounts of up to \$5,000 each, and the BPI Advisory Committee will notify grant recipients in

December 2016.

How to apply: Applications may be submitted electronically or by mail. The application is now available online at wsfoundation.org/bpi-grants. The application deadline is 5:00 p.m. on Sept. 29, 2016.

An informational meeting about the BPI grant application process will be held on Monday, Sept. 12 at 6 p.m. on the third floor of the Foundation's offices at 751 West Fourth St. Parking is available in the building's lot on 4 1/2 Street.

For questions or additional information, contact Sandra Fishel-Booth at The Winston-Salem Foundation at 336-725-2382.



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Forsyth County Reads *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle* by Barbara Kingsolver

For one year the author and her family ate only what they could grow and preserve on their Appalachian farm or what could be sourced from the local economy. *Animal, Vegetable, Mineral* chronicles their journey, tracking the challenges and triumphs of growing and finding food locally throughout the year.

On The Same Page Kick-Off

at

Meet Julia Shanks
Author of *The Farmers Market Cookbook*, Julia Shanks passion for fresh, local and seasonal foods has made her a leading consultant to restaurants, farms and food producers.

September 10th @ 11:30 am and 2 pm.
Bookmarks Festival of Books and Authors • Downtown Winston-Salem



Thomas Jefferson's Revolutionary Garden with Peter Hatch

Author and professional gardener Peter Hatch will discuss the gardens of Thomas Jefferson's Monticello where he was Director of Gardens and Grounds for thirty-five years. From 1974-77 he served as Horticulturalist at Old Salem.

September 23rd @ 7 pm.
Old Salem Visitor's Center

On The Same Page Finale

Grant Wood: A Life by Tripp Evans

Author Tripp Evans will explore the life and work of the famous American artist Grant Wood and the hidden complexity of his work.

October 15th @ 2 pm.
Reynolda House Museum of American Art
Reception to follow with refreshments from Willow's Bistro
For more information call 336.758.5150

Grant Wood and the American Farm
Reynolda House Museum of American Art
September 9th-December 31st, 2016.

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For more information, and a complete calendar of events for On the Same Page 2016, visit www.forsythlibrary.org