

NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 9th, 2020



BBBS NEWS & UPDATES

DRIVE BY

CHRISTMAS PARTY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19TH, 2020



10am - 12pm

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Acadiana
123 E. Main St. Lafayette, la 70501
(must RSVP by Dec. 14th to receive a holiday meal.)

**Holiday meals provided by
Faulk Family, LLC**

Christmas looks a little different this year but that doesn't mean we can't still spread some cheer to our families!

Drive-by
Selfies
with Santa

Holiday
Meal

Gifts &
Treats

Drop-off
your letters
to the North
Pole!

'Tis the Season for Giving! This [#GivingSeason](#), help empower resilience in Acadiana's youth with 3 simple ways to give.

GIVE DOLLARS. Donations like yours make an impact on youth in Acadiana.

GIVE TIME. Encourage others to become a Big by Mentoring a child.

GIVE VOICE. Be a Defender of Potential simply by sharing information about BBBS with friends & family!

www.acadianabigs.com



BBBS NEWS & UPDATES



Our office will close on Friday, December 18th and re-open on Monday January 4th. Of course if you need assistance, do not hesitate to reach out to your Match Support Specialist! We hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday!



FOR BIGS ONLY

JINGLE JANGLE JAMBOREE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12TH | 9AM - 12PM | PARC INTERNATIONAL DOWNTOWN LAFAYETTE

You and your Little are invited to join us for a morning of Fun!
We have partnered with Basin Arts to bring a match activity focused on expressing your creativity through dance, art and games!

9:00-10:00am Dance Workshop celebrating the uniqueness in all of us. No dance experience required to participate

10:00-11:00am Window Wonderland Scavenger hunt throughout Downtown Lafayette.

11:00-12:00pm Snowflake art-making workshop. We'll create one shared winter window together! Hot chocolate and sweets provided by Reve Coffee Roasters. Participants are asked to take part in the full workshop.

This is not a drop-off event. Bigs are required to attend the event with their Little. Space is limited, call or email our office to reserve your spot. All COVID Guidelines will be followed and Masks will be required.

BECOME A MICRO-INFLUENCER

The best advertising for our agency come from our Bigs so send us your stories! We want to see what you & your littles are doing whether it's in-person or virtually.

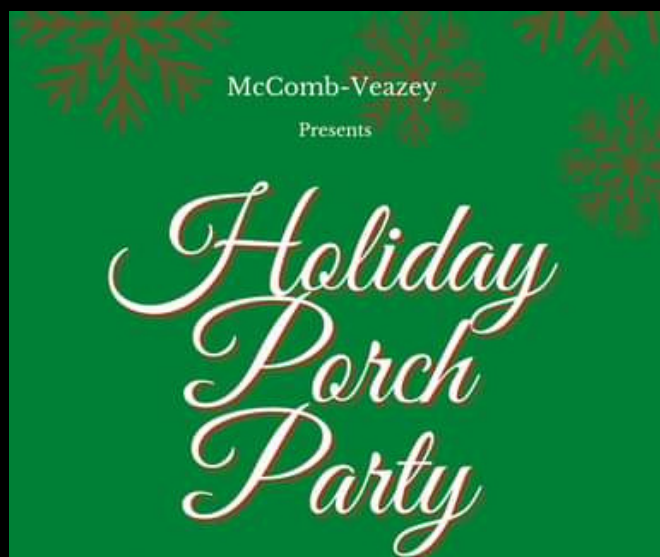


Stories & pictures can be emailed to
Christie at choward@acadianabigs.com





ACTIVITY IDEAS



HOLIDAY PORCH PARTY!

Join McComb-Veazey for a Holiday Porch Party! It's their annual party with a twist! Enjoy some last minute holiday shopping with some great vendors, grab a bite to eat in the food court or grab a socially distant seat and enjoy the entertainment. 100 % Outdoor event. Free Gumbo! Kid Friendly! Volunteers welcome!

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the Facebook event page!



GRINCH-MAS 2020!

A FREE event with Marble Slab Creamery in Carencro. Photos with the Grinch, game, treats, movies & more!

[More Information HERE!](#)



GET CRAFTY!

Kids' Grab & Go Craft: Rudolph Clothespins. Swing by a Lafayette Public Library drive-thru (Main Library and Regional Libraries), and pick up a bag full of fun! Grab & Go bags will include all the supplies you'll need and instructions. Recommended for children. Available during operating hours and while supplies last.

[More Information HERE!](#)



COMMUNITY RESOURCES



**LOUISIANA
MEDICAID
IS NOW ON
FACEBOOK**



Louisiana Medicaid now has a Facebook page!

Like and follow [Louisiana Medicaid](#) for the most up to date information and news.



GET YOUR FLU SHOT TODAY.

**ROLL UP
YOUR
SLEEVES,
Louisiana!**

An annual flu shot is your first and best protection against the flu.

It's quick and easy, and there's no charge to the patient – even if you don't have insurance!

**You can get
your flu shot at:**

- Your local clinic
- Your local pharmacy
- One of our no-cost vaccination clinics

WWW.LDH.LA.GOV/FIGHTTHEFLU





COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Below are FREE COVID-19 testing locations that are available within the region this week. Flu vaccinations are also available at some of the locations.

Region 4 - Acadiana COVID Testing Resources updated 11-23-20				
Parish	Name of Site	Address	Hours of Operation	Phone Number
Acadia	Acadia Parish Rice Arena	159 Cherokee Dr, Crowley	Thursday December 10th 8am to 3pm. Pre-register at http://health.questdiagnostics.com/stlou	337-262-5311 OPH & LANG
Acadia	Rayne Civic Center Ochsner LGH	112 Frog Festival Dr. Rayne LA	Monday December 7th 8am-4pm Flu Vaccine Available	337-262-5311 OPH
Acadia	SWLA Crowley	Crowley LA	Call for Appointment 337-783-5519	Call for Appointment 337-783-5519
Iberia	Iberia Parish Health Unit	715 Weldon St Ste B New Iberia LA	Tuesday December 8th 8am-3pm Pre-register at http://health.questdiagnostics.com/stlou	337-262-5311 OPH & LANG
Lafayette	Compassionate Care Clinic	3400 Moss St. Suite B Lafayette	Monday December 7th 5pm to 7pm Wednesday December 9th 5pm-7pm.	call for appointment 337-454-3352
Lafayette	Northside Community Health Center	1800 Louisiana Ave Lafayette	Tuesday December 8th 1pm-5pm Thursday December 10th 1pm-5pm	337-232-6787
Lafayette	Lafayette Parish Health Unit	220 West Willow St Lafayette	Monday December 7th through Friday December 11th 8am to 3pm Pre-register at http://health.questdiagnostics.com/stlou	337-262-5311 OPH & LANG
Lafayette	Domingue's Recreational Center/Ochsner LGH	901 Mudd Ave. Lafayette LA	Tuesday December 8th through Friday December 11th 8am to 4pm Flu Vaccine Available	337-262-5311 OPH
Lafayette	SWLA Lafayette	500 Patterson Lafayette	Monday December 7th-Friday December 11th 9am-12pm	337-769-9451
Evangeline	Evangeline Family Medicine	505 E. Lincoln Rd. Ville Platte	Tuesday December 8th 8:30am-11:30am Thursday December 10th 8:30am-11:30am	337-363-0604 Southwest Primary
St Landry	Southwest LA Primary Health Care Center/Opelousas	8762 La-182 Opelousas	Monday December 7th through Friday December 11th 8am-11am	337-942-2005 Southwest Primary
St Landry	Ville Platte Civic Center	704 Soileau St Ville Platte LA	Wednesday December 9th 9am-3pm Pre-register at http://health.questdiagnostics.com/stlou	337-262-5311 OPH & LANG
St Landry	Opelousas Civic Center	1638 Creswell Ln Opelousas LA	Wednesday December 9th 9am-3pm Pre-register at http://health.questdiagnostics.com/stlou	337-262-5311 OPH & LANG
St Landry	Eunice Health Unit	131 City Ave Eunice LA	Thursday December 10th 8am-3pm Pre-register at http://health.questdiagnostics.com/stlou	337-262-5311 OPH & LANG
St Martin	Veteran's Home	300 Veteran Dr. Breaux Bridge LA	Tuesday December 8th 8am-3pm Pre-register at http://health.questdiagnostics.com/stlou	337-262-5311 OPH & LANG
St Martin	St Martinville Health Unit	303 W. Port St. St. Martinville LA	Monday December 7th 8am-3pm Pre-register at http://health.questdiagnostics.com/stlou	337-262-5311 OPH & LANG
Vermilion	Vermilion Parish Health Unit	2501 Charity St. Abbeville LA	Friday December 11th 8am-3pm Pre-register at http://health.questdiagnostics.com/stlou	337-262-5311 OPH & LANG



The Lafayette Public Library has a new Early Literacy Calendar out for December 2020! The Public Library Association (PLA) created a monthly calendar of daily literacy-building activities that you can share with your child. If you'd like to view the past Early Lit Calendars, [click here!](#)



FAMILY RESOURCES

We know many parents are feeling the stress of supporting & providing for their children over the weeks & months to come. It can be difficult to find a balance during this stay-at-home order. We will try our best to provide any resources we come across!

- If your workplace has temporarily closed or you have been told to take unpaid time off, you may be eligible for unemployment benefits through the [Louisiana Workforce Commission](#).
- A crisis text line has been activated to provide FREE, confidential support for people 24/7. If you need to talk to someone, you can get connected by texting REACHOUT to 741741 to reach a trained crisis counselor who will help de-escalate, identify coping strategies and use active listening techniques to support you.
- The Current has put together a user-friendly [dashboard of information & resources](#) for families in the Acadiana Area.
- Find the latest Lafayette Parish [COVID-19 UPDATES](#) in English, French & Espanol.



Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions, concerns or requests!



BRITTANY COZART

Program Manager

337.224.4564

bcozart@acadianabigs.com



NOELLE BROTHERTON

School-Based Case Manager

337.258.7311

nbrotherton@acadianabigs.com



LESLIE ROBERTSON

Match Support Specialist

337.412.5847

lrobertson@acadianabigs.com



CHELSEA ZENO

Case Manager

337.849.1661

czeno@acadianabigs.com



JARDIN BURLEIGH

Case Manager

337.278.8744

jburleigh@acadianabigs.com

www.acadianabigs.com/newsletters