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It's summer time, but is your preschooler ready for fall?

There are so many things to consider when selecting the right preschool for your child. What goals do you have for your child? Ideally, preschool will help with fine and gross motor skills, language development, social and interpersonal skills and cognitive development. The challenge becomes finding the right program.

For nearly 15 years, The Friendship Academy, Easterseals inclusive preschool, has been the parent's choice for so many reasons. Much of the program is taught through play, which creates a strong foundation for learning. The research driven curriculum, which features science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics is taught by certified teachers. Other program features include music and movement and positive behavior intervention supports. All of this is taught in an inclusive environment that develops compassion, healthy self-concept and acceptance of diversity. The result is students who demonstrate strong kindergarten readiness both cognitively and socially.

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Grace attended The Friendship Academy and built a strong foundation both cognitively and socially. Grace recently finished 8th grade and is a member of the National Junior Honor Society and was voted "Friendliest" by her peers!



Visit www.TheFriendshipAcademy.org to learn more.



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From the CEO...

Easterseals is continuing to celebrate our 100th Anniversary. We have some exciting opportunities to be part of the celebration. There will be the week of 100 dinners, which will align with the anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act in July. We are also planning a gala in March. Stay connected on social media or through our website to learn more.

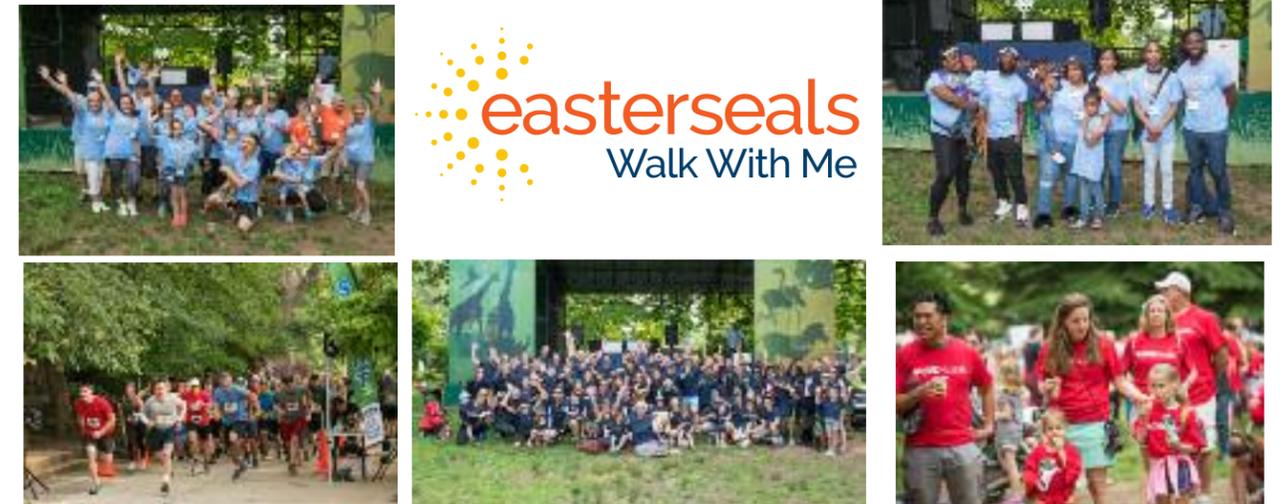
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Comcast Cares Day

On Friday, May 3rd, 100 volunteers from Comcast NBC Universal along with physical therapy and industrial design students and staff from Jefferson University, high school students from Science Leadership Academy and therapists from Easterseals gathered at the Comcast Technology Center. By the end of the day, the group had adapted three battery operated cars for three very special Easterseals students and modified 65 toys to be used with switches, giving students throughout every Easterseals division access to toys. Some of the toys were printed used with 3D printers funded by the Comcast Foundation. This exciting collaboration gave children independence and one of the most important things of childhood, the ability to play.



We surpassed our goal!! Thanks to our participants, sponsors and volunteers Walk With Me raised over \$100,000



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Long and Foster has fun and makes a difference!

Long and Foster has been supporting Easterseals programs and services for decades and we are grateful for their continued support! On May 29th they hosted Night at the Phillies and on June 17th they hosted their 30th annual golf tournament. Those events have raised over \$17,000 for programs and services. Long and Foster makes a difference and they have fun doing it!



Create your Legacy of Compassion for people with disabilities,
include Easterseals of Southeastern Pennsylvania in your will.

Questions? Please contact Liz Graham, Director of Development at 484.234.8007

Healthcare Hero

Joy McGowan, Easterseals Director of Assistive Technology and Augmentative Communications was chosen as a Healthcare Hero by MainLine Today. Joyce was recognized for her work in assistive technology and augmentative communications, including eye gaze technology to foster independent communication for children and adults.



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