



# NEWS FROM DAYSTAR

## AUGUST 2022



### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR AUGUST

Philippians 4:4, “Rejoice in the Lord always, again I will say rejoice.” This is our verse for August. The children will enjoy learning this verse as we begin our new school year.

Our Bible story for the month is Luke 19:1 – 10. This is the story of Zacchaeus. The children enjoy learning this story. We will even learn a song to go with it. It is an important story that shows Jesus’ love for all people.

### CURRICULUM GOALS

It is “Back to School” month. In August, we will focus on the social/emotional skills of relationship building and self-control. We will be getting acquainted to our new classrooms and routines. We will also celebrate “COLOR DAYS”. This is a fun time for all of the students to dress in the same color as we do a review each day.

Color Days will be August 15 and go through August 26. See the list below to know which color your child should wear each day. If you misplace this list, you can find the colors by going through the book Brown Bear, Brown Bear.

Aug. 15 – Brown	Aug. 22 – Purple/Pink
Aug. 16 – Red	Aug. 23 – White
Aug. 17 – Yellow	Aug. 24 – Black
Aug. 18 – Blue	Aug. 25 – Orange
Aug. 19 – Green	Aug. 26 – Rainbow

### DAYSTAR DATES TO REMEMBER

*Please mark all of the dates.*

First “Day of School”	August 1
Color Days	Aug. 15-25
DayStar <b>CLOSED</b> for Labor Day	<b>Sept. 5</b>
Professional Development (DayStar <b>CLOSED</b> )	<b>Oct 10</b>

### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Elena Frank	Aug. 1
Ms. Roxy Gallegos-Guillen	Aug. 3
George Brumbaugh-Wadas	Aug. 4
Olive Musgrove	Aug. 4
Oscar North	Aug. 5
Tyler Calloway	Aug. 5
Ms. Marianne Elsmann	Aug. 8
Ms. Michelle DeLafuente	Aug. 11
Mrs. Laura Dyke	Aug. 12
Anderson Curtis	Aug. 12
Wylie Borges	Aug. 13
Elise Adams	Aug. 15
Elijah Lawrence	Aug. 22
Braden Gary	Aug. 23
Robert Duffy	Aug. 25
Lucas Colver	Aug. 25
Liana Juday	Aug. 30

*Happy Birthday to all our August Birthdays!*

### WELCOME NEW FAMILIES!

We would like to welcome all new families to DayStar. We are looking forward to a great school year! We want to invite you to take advantage of our closed Facebook page, DayStar Childcare. Look us up and ask to join. The teachers post pictures almost every day! In addition, you will be invited to join the Procure app, which is a great way to keep informed of our daily activities.

We are always excited to share ways we can walk beside your whole family through connection to others in our community, local resources, and support for you and your family's goals. We believe children have the best chance to be healthy and thriving when the whole family is healthy and moving forward! For more information, please email our Family Engagement Specialist, Jen. [jen.may@daystarchildcare.com](mailto:jen.may@daystarchildcare.com)

Our parents also have their own closed Facebook page, Daystar Parents. They would love to have you join them. We are so appreciative of the great things our parents organize for our children and our staff. We are truly blessed with great families at DayStar. Welcome to our community!

## DAYSTAR COMMUNITY PARTNERS HIGHLIGHTS



Crouching Tigers is a local community partner that offers weekly classes to preschool and Pre-K children. They aim to instruct children to make good choices through martial arts.

Crouching Tigers is considered an extracurricular activity. There is a fee for this class. CCDF and On My Way PreK scholarship students will be given the opportunity to take it at a discounted cost. Please go to [crouchingtigers.com](http://crouchingtigers.com) to enroll your child for fall. Our fall semester is scheduled to begin in September and will continue each Tuesday through December.



### **GO! MEMBERSHIPS**

Our partnership with the Indianapolis Zoo continues this year, 2022-23! If you participated in the GO! Membership last year, please consider renewing it! Your membership is good for a full year from the time you applied, so check and see when your current card expires. If you are new to DayStar, or are considering this opportunity for the first time, please know this is a program for families with an enrolled child in DayStar who find the regular annual fee to be a barrier. The Go! Membership is \$25 per a household for a 1 year membership. Here is how it works: pick up an application at the DayStar office window and any member of the admin team can sign to confirm your information. Take the completed form with \$25 and ID to your first visit to the zoo. Please contact Jen May for any questions. [Jen.may@daystarchildcare.com](mailto:Jen.may@daystarchildcare.com)

### **FALL PLAYDATES IN THE GARDEN**

DayStar families, let's play! We hope you will come and spend time together with families in your child's age department. This is a casual playdate,

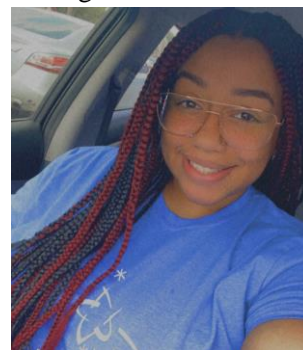
so there is no planned activity, but this is a great opportunity to explore the garden!

Whether you are new to DayStar, new to a classroom/age group, or you would like to meet those who are new, please mark your calendar for our fall playdates in the garden...come anytime on your scheduled date between 5-7pm!

Friday, August 5	Two's
Friday, August 19	PreK
Friday, September 2	Preschool
Friday, September 16	Toddlers/Infants

### **WELCOME NEW DAYSTAR STAFF**

Please join us in welcoming Alizzah Offutt-Anderson and her son, Ezra, who is currently in our Preschool program! Here is a note from our newest staff member:



"Hello, My name is Alizzah and I am a mom of one amazing 3 yr old. I love art, attempting to sinf, and all around creative fun. I am also a recent grad of a beauty school. I look forward to the bonds and relationships to come. Thank you for having me in the DayStar family!"

### **LAURA'S GOING OVER THE EDGE!**

Thank you to everyone who donated to United Way on my behalf. August 12 is the big day. I will be rappelling some time between 1:15 - 2pm. There is a viewing spot on the day of the event on the steps of the Federal Courthouse for anyone who would like to watch in-person. They will also be livestreaming the entire event on UWCI's [Facebook page](#) and [Youtube channel](#), so make sure to follow both! It is never too late to donate to the Basic Needs Fund at United Way. This money goes to assist families in Central Indiana who need it most. You can donate to my page at <https://give.uwci.org/fundraiser/3971480>.