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S.E.E.D.S. program seeks sponsors, students for free backpacks, supplies

Aug. 7, 2015 - Hampton's S.E.E.D.S. program is looking for both sponsors and school children to take part in the annual "back-to-school" Family & Community Resource Fair on Saturday, Aug. 29. Doors open at 10 a.m. and the fair starts at 11. It ends at 3 p.m.

Sponsors are needed to provide business coupons and supplies for free backpacks that will be given to students attending any Title I school. Hampton's Title I schools include Aberdeen, Andrews, Bassette, Booker, Bryan, Cary Forrest, Lindsay, Machen, Smith, Tarrant and Tyler elementary schools.

The Resource Fair will be held this year at Bassette Elementary School, Forrest Elementary School, North Phoebus Community Center, Old Hampton Community Center, and Y.H. Thomas Community Center. Call 757-727-1200 to register, and pre-registration is required.

In addition to picking up backpacks full of needed school supplies, students and their parents can learn about local activities, organizations and other resources available to families during the fair.

Last year, more than 500 people attended the resource fair and 80 vendors, presenters and volunteers were on hand.

S.E.E.D.S., which stands for Strengthening Educational Experiences to Create Dynamic Students, was recognized earlier this year by a national family engagement organization for promoting strategic family and school partnerships.

To be a sponsor or to learn more about the S.E.E.D.S. program contact Chanda J. Epps at 727-2024 or Synethia White at 727-2730. You can also go online to find a S.E.E.D.S. [sponsorship form](#).

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