· Celebrating Children





Saturday, April 27 at 8:30 am - 12 pm



Mount Trashmore, 310 Edwin Dr.





For More Info and Race Registration visit: www.vbgrowsmart.com/celebrating-children

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This event is 100% FREE and open to the public thanks to the generous support of our sponsors:



- Fun Run and Inflatables
- **Petting Zoo**
- **Children's Games & Activities**
- **Family Resources & More**





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# Free fun for the whole family!

### **About GrowSmart**

GrowSmart is the City of Virginia Beach's early childhood education initiative. Our mission focuses on promoting and improving the healthy development, school readiness, and reading proficiency of young children, ages 0-8. GrowSmart offers a wide-range of programming to ensure the availability of high-quality early education in Virginia Beach and to promote reading proficiency by third grade

## **GrowSmart Programs**



Free 10-week program to support the language development of children 0-3 years old.

# Summer LENA Start classes offered Wednesdays and Thursdays.



First Grade READS literacy tutoring program in Virginia Beach.

Recruiting volunteers for the **2024-2025** School Year!



Professional development and training opportunities for early childhood educators.

Early education courses offered at The HIVE this fall- visit **vbgrowsmart.com/professional-development** for details!

## **Event Highlights**

- Free Family Fun Run
- DJ and Navy Band
- Bounce House and Inflatable Games
- Petting Zoo
- Music in Motion Dance Company
- Food Bank Mobile Market
- VBCPS Reading Bus
- Monster Fire Truck
- Virginia Beach Public Library's Story Walk
- Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation
- Pre-K Partners Zone
- Kid-friendly games, crafts & activities
- Costumed Characters

### 2024 Exhibitors

Parents can expect to find on-site resources and information regarding:

- Sentara Behavioral Health
- CDC Milestone Checklists
- HRDSI/ASQ Screening
- MWR & USO
- Healthy Families/Babycare
- VBCPS Pre-K Program
- Virginia Beach Infant Program
- First Tee SNAG Golf
- Armed Services YMCA
- NAMI Coastal Virginia
- CHKD Workshops
- Virginia Beach WIC Program
- Square One Trainings
- **GrowSmart** LENA Start Classes
- The Fleet and Family Support Center/ Exceptional Family Member Program
- Virginia Beach SPCA
- Virginia Beach Fire Dept.
- Dental, Vision, and Hearing Screenings
- Plus MORE!!

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