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Preschoolers invited to Parents as Teachers' Roll & Read

Knoxville, Tenn. – The Parents as Teachers' 7th annual Roll & Read event originally set for this Friday has been rescheduled due to the forecasted inclement weather. The event will now take place from 10 a.m. to noon on Friday, Oct. 4 at Safety City, 165 S. Concord Street.

Roll & Read is for children five years and younger and their families. Admission, parking and all activities at the event are free. You do not have to be a Parents as Teachers program participant to attend the Roll & Read event.

This year's theme is "Blast off Into Reading". Books will be read throughout the event, along with fun learning activities and free giveaways.

"As a parent, you are your child's first and most important teacher," said Parents as Teachers' Program Manager Christel Crawford. "When you read with your child, you are not only preparing them for school, but also creating a love of learning that will help them in all aspects of their life."

Parents as Teachers is a prenatal to kindergarten home-visiting program that empowers parents to ensure their young children have the best opportunity to succeed in school and in life. Last year, Parents as Teachers' parent educators had more than 805 meetings helping more than 104 Knox County families.

About Knox County Health Department

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