



Family Connection Camden Collaborative Meeting Minutes

Date: August 13, 2024

Time: 2:00 pm

Zoom

Attendees:

Walter R. Spencer - Chair, FCC Leadership Team	April Jeans - Executive Director	Beonca Brown -Coastal Health District	Bianca Booker – Camden County Schools	Marcie Costello - Coastal Management Solutions
Chelsea Owens - Savannah Tech	Damon Thomas - Camden Head Start	Megan Molix - Camden Connection	Temeca Hannan - WorkSource Coastal	Debra Vasquez - Coastal Community Action Authority
Leah Rose - Salvation Army	Sally Cedars - Coastal Community Health	Lena Brathwaite Bell – Innovative Prevention Education	Deidra Combs – Coastal Pines Technical College	Tovah Reuven-Yisrael – Safe Harbor
Terry Smith - Camden County Fire Rescue	Guynell Grant -CPTC Adult Education	Waldron Hamilton - GADOE Great Promise Partnership	Laura Smith-Brese - College of Coastal Georgia	Allison Murray – Camden Connection
Laurie Levine - Tribune-Georgian	Shenique Taylor - Camden House	Timothy Bessent Sr. - Making A Difference	Noel Walker - Camden County Schools	Dori Brink – Friends of Crooked River
Jeff Clark - Safe Harbor SOP	Shauna Spann - Camden County Chamber of Commerce	Mary Gail Lindsey - Camden County Schools	Bonnie Perkins - Department of Juvenile Justice	Sene Coley - Camden County Schools

- Walter R. Spencer, FCC Chair, called the meeting to order, welcoming everyone.
- April Jeans, FCC ED, reminded partners to complete the GaFCP Vitality Survey.
 - The first FY25 FCC Strategy team meeting is at St. Marys Salvation Army on August 27, from 9 am to 10:30 am.
- Dori Brink, Friends of Crooked River State Park – FY25 Party in the Park provided 398 students with bookbags and schoosponsorships, 200 upcoming school year, 778 attendees received education and awareness to 45 community organizations, 60 new Camden County Schools teachers supply bundles including tissues, Clorox wipers, paper towels, hand sanitizer, and more, 50 volunteers, 400 volunteer





hours, \$830 in sponsorships, 200 youth and 60 adults completed the Bike Walk Golden Isle's bike rodeo, 100 youth completed the Firefighters challenge.

- Allison Murray, Camden Connection – Camden Connection Clubhouse, located at 200 East King Ave, Kingsland, GA, is open Monday – Friday, 3 pm – 7 pm, and Saturdays. The prevention clubhouse is free for middle and high school students and offers leadership development, nutrition education, and employment services. The Clubhouse provides transportation for students. Family activities twice a month Camden Manager Allison@camdenconnection.org Nominate a teen here: <https://www.camdenconnection.org/clubhouse-camden.php>
- Partner Sharing
- Lena B. Brathwaite Bell, Innovative Prevention Education – Youth Engaged in Leadership (YELP) is now accepting applications. The YELP program consists of middle and high school students, meets virtually on Tuesdays from 5:30 pm to 6:45 pm, and offers scholarship opportunities.
- Camden Suicide Prevention Coalition – September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. Free QPR Suicide Prevention training at the St. Marys Library on September 12 at 5:20 pm. on September 12, 2024. Free mental Health screenings at the College of Coastal Georgia, Camden Campus, on September 10, 2024, from 10 am to 2 pm and 5 pm. For more information, email camdensuicideprevention@gmail.com
- Walter R. Spencer, Kin Raising Kids Camden meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at noon at New Hope MBC, 220 Old National Hwy, Woodbine, GA.
- Shauna Spann from the Camden County Chamber of Commerce. Several events will take place in Camden in the coming weeks. Leadership Camden Class of 2025 is currently taking applications for classes. Member fees are \$625.00 and \$800.00 for non-Chamber members.
 - The Chamber of Commerce will have Coffee and Commerce on Wednesday, September 4, 2024, Sponsored by Huey Magoo's 8:30 am -9:15 am at Hog and Boones.
 - Business After Hours will be held at Bulldog Liquors on August 15, 2024, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at 1101 Osborne Rd. St. Mary's Food, live music, and more. Registration for Lisa Allen Dance Works 912-673-9161
 - Doc 'n Desserts Dementia Discussion Thursday, August 15, 2024, 5:00 pm, Sure Stay Plus Hotel by Western, Conference room 2710 Osborne Rd. 912-576-2134 for more information or to register.





- Full Armor Training: Concealed Carry Home Defense Class August 17, 2024, Time 8:00 am-12:30 pm, 531 N. Lee Street, Kingsland Cost \$45.00.
- The Firefly is making teachers' first month back a little sweeter with 20% off every Thursday through the month of August.
- Book signing "What you Leave Behind" with Wanda Morris on August 24, 2024, at 6 pm at 101 E Weed Street St. Marys.
- Guynell Grant, Coastal Pines Technical College Adult Education, ggrant@coastalpines.edu. Please subscribe to our Adult Education Newsletter - <https://coastalpines.us5.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=3ffca6a9fc878f553a934787&id=ee7d00cd6e>
- Laurie Levine Tribune-Georgian. Boss Lady event September 26. All women in business are welcome. Contact Laurie at 904-382-9052 or llevine@tribune-georgian.com
- Timothy Bessent Sr., Making A Difference Mentoring Boys ages 7- 17 at no cost. We will partner with Camden County Fire and Rescue to expose kids to hands-on CPR and basic first aid. August 31
- Chelsea Owens, Child Care Resource and Referral of Southeast Georgia at Savannah Tech is hiring a Community Outreach Coordinator. For more information email cowens@savannahtech.edu
- Closing – The next FCC Collaborative meeting is at Pineland Bank Community Center on September 10 at 2 pm.

*If you want to spotlight your agency as the featured speaker at an FCC Collaborative meeting, email familyconnectioncamden.ed@gmail.com

