

# Second annual Back to School Bash, Aug. 13

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Perry County

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The second annual Back to School Bash will be coordinated by Perry Jobs and Family Services (JFS) as a county-wide event to prepare, encourage, and inspire the children of Perry County.

Perry JFS staff has many ideas in the works for this year's event, but needs help from community members, businesses, and organizations to make the ideas into a fun-filled, family-friendly event. The support of the community is essential to making this event a successful start to the school year for Perry County students.

With that in mind, Perry

JFS is inviting residents to contribute to meeting this need within our community by volunteering, sponsoring, or providing a fun, activity for this year's Back to School Bash.

This year's event is open to the public and will include many fun, educational activities; as well as, provide school supplies to children in need. The public events will be free for all to enjoy while the school supplies will be given out based on eligibility.

Eligibility will be determined by Perry JFS, but the basic eligibility requirements are: Perry County residency, student(s) entering K-12, and a household income at or below 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).

Individuals interested in applying for school supplies must mail a completed application and proof of income to Perry JFS P.O. Box 311, New Lexington, Ohio 43764 by June 15.

Any individual or organization interested in teaming with Perry JFS on the Back to School Bash is encouraged to contact Mendra Hupp at 740-342-3551 ext 645.

Perry JFS has created a new Back to School web page located at [www.perryjfs.org](http://www.perryjfs.org). The community is encouraged to check the page regularly to see what new events have been added, to view a list of sponsors and to countdown to the second annual Back to School Bash on Saturday, Aug. 13.