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**Debbie McGuire and Louise Bendall handed out information at the DSS and CCR&R Resources table at the Learning Developmental and Health Screening at South Elementary in October.**

### **Volunteers Make Partnership Child Screening a Success**

Thanks to the efforts of many volunteers, over 20 children attended the Learning Developmental and Health Screening sponsored by Caswell County Partnership for Children at South Elementary School on October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

Families who attended the child screening were able to ask questions about their children's development and health, as well as get information on a wide variety of child-related topics, including the Smart Start Subsidy Program which helps with the cost of



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child care and is administered through the Caswell County Department of Social Services (DSS).

After the 30-minute screening, children were able to choose an age-appropriate toy and receive refreshments.

“It was fun,” said one three-year-old about the screening process. “We played with blocks and balls.”

Children who required further testing were assisted by a Children’s Developmental Services volunteer, who shared information about scheduling a more detailed assessment.

Thanks to all the volunteers who made this possible, including: Carolyn Aldridge, Lisa Barton, Laura Blackard, Karen Chandler, Pam Collie, Shirley Deal, Becky Dellinger, Yolanda De Vera, Tammy Ferguson, Linda Fuller, Kim Green, Leslie Hall, Becky Hatchett, Merry Leather, Teri Ludwig, Debbie McGuire, Melanie McLarty, Dr. Ariana Pancaldo, Laura Rosenquist, Joyce Theresa, Benton Thompson, Pat Warren.

For more information about the screening or Smart Start, contact Caswell County Partnership for Children at 336-694-1538.