



Children's Kindness Network MOOZIE'S MOOS

May 2025

Recently Herd and Spotted

Moozie and team enjoyed reading, dialogue, and singing with friends in eight classes at MNPS' Whitsitt and Robert Churchwell Museum Magnet Elementary Schools. During Read Across America Week, Moozie reinforced kindness with four kindergarten through first grade classes at Franklin Elementary School and preschoolers at Mill Creek Academy.

CKN introduced Moozie with a new partner, We Rock the Spectrum (WRTS) - Franklin, on April 1. Children can now enjoy reading and playing with Moozie at this inviting gym on "Moozdays," on the first Tuesday of each month. Families can purchase Moozie books and cuddly puppets to bring home.

You Matter Nashville podcast aired a dynamic new episode with CKN VP and Board Director Stephanie Barca. Stephanie shared personal experiences and professional tips on children's pro-social behavior and how exposure to CKN's Moozie programs can boost kindness:

<https://youmatternashville.com/podcast/childrens-kindness-network-with-stephanie-barca/>

Moozie cheered on race entrants/supporters at WCS' Entrepreneurship & Innovation Center (EIC) for the second annual Walk With Us 5K fundraiser to benefit Monroe Carroll Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt. Former Ravenwood High School/EIC student Jordan Johnson organized the event, where CKN hosted a kindness zone with supplies for creating greeting cards for hospitalized children.

Moozie participated in MTSU's ACE Early Learning Center's annual Saddle Up fundraiser with children's cardmaking and fun interactions with Moozie.

CKN welcomed two individuals to its Board: (1) Monique Gooch-Brown, staff editor at R.H. Boyd Publishing who is rejoining the Board as part of her long association with CKN, and (2) Paula Chilton, Assistant Director of Williamson County School's EIC, where she has been an invaluable CKN partner for the past three years.

CKN much appreciates our kind, delightful, and talented new volunteers with (and, in some cases, as) Moozie! New TN-based CKN 'family' members since Q4 2024 are: Abhilash Bola, Lisa Coleman, Caroline Evie, Simon Hill, and Jeanine Stroud.



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In The Field Ahead

- May 5 - Submission deadline for 9th annual Moozie Essay and Art Contest! K through Grade 3 students have this fun and easy opportunity to be creative, productive, and inspired by kindness – and potentially win prizes. Registration materials here: <https://www.moozie.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/CKN-25-Essay-Art-Contest-Guidelines-Final-.pdf>
- May 6, June 3, July 1 - Moozday Tuesday at We Rock the Spectrum in Franklin, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm.
- May 19 – Moozie visit with kindness reading, discussion, and song at Whitsitt Elementary School, Nashville.
- May 22 – Moozie ice cream social at Jeni's! Purchases of Jeni's Ice Cream at The Factory, Franklin, between 1:30 and 4:30 pm, result in 25% of funds donated to CKN's local outreach, to bring plush Moozie puppets to underserved children. Come celebrate last day of school and start of summer with Moozie and ice cream!
- June 26 – Moozie Kindness Day with fun kindness activities during Williamson County Animal Center (WCAC) week-long Animal Ed-venture Camp session 1.
- July 17 – Moozie Kindness Day during session 2 of WCAC Animal Ed-venture Camp.

Udderly Amoozing Facts and Cow Puns

Did You Know?



Cows have “best friends” – They form close social bonds. They experience less stress and lower heart rates when they are close to their preferred cow partners.

Cows take daily walks - They walk about four miles a day in pasture/on the farm; they can go much farther if actively foraging for food.

Kindness reduces stress (for humans) - Engaging in kindness can lower stress levels, inflammation, and even blood pressure.

Share a laugh with Moozie's bovine pals!



What do you call a cow in an earthquake?
A milkshake

What do you call cows with a sense of humor?
A laughing stock

What do you call a cow that can play a musical instrument?
A moo-sician.



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