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LCBMRDD honors top performer

NEWARK – The Licking County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (LCBMRDD) recently recognized Lanette Dennis of Newark as Staff Member of the Month for August.

Dennis, an instructor's assistant who has worked for the LCBMRDD for 12 years, is responsible for music education at the E.S. Weiant Center, 116 N. 22nd St., Newark.

Two anonymous staff members nominated Dennis for this honor. She was lauded for accommodating all children -- regardless of their abilities -- so they can learn to share her love of music.

The LCBMRDD provides comprehensive services to more than 1,300 Licking County children and adults with mental retardation and other developmental disabilities. The agency operates early intervention and preschool services at the E.S. Weiant (formerly Starlight) Center in Newark, and the Ann Davino Center in Pataskala. It also oversees adult services at LICCO Inc. in Heath, residential supports, family respite, transportation and service coordination. The LCBMRDD is nationally accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) for providing high-quality support services to individuals with disabilities and their families.

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