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Bernie, Missouri - The Bernie Parents as Teachers' Student of the Month for March 2017 is Mason Orion Beaird.

He is the son of Justin and Emily Beaird and was born November 17, 2015.

Mason loves playing with his sister, listening to music, playing ball, and dancing. He also enjoys books and animals.

During the family's PAT visits, Mason most enjoys the new books he receives and spending time reading with his parents.

If you would like to know more about Parents as Teachers contact Courtney McGarity or Casey Arnold at 573-293-5335, ext 293 or find them on Facebook by clicking **HERE**.

The following information was taken directly from the Parent as Teachers Missouri website. For more information click HERE.

Our Vision

All children will learn, grow and develop to realize their full potential.

Our Mission

To provide the information, support and encouragement parents need to help their children develop optimally during the crucial early years of life.

Our Values

The early years of a child's life are critical for optimal development and provide the foundation for success in school and in life.

Parents are their children's first and most influential teachers.

Established and emerging research should be the foundation of parent education and family support curricula, training, materials and services.

All young children and their families deserve the same opportunities to succeed, regardless of any demographic, geographic or economic considerations.

An understanding and appreciation of the history and traditions of diverse cultures is essential in serving families.

History

In 1981, Missouri pioneered the concept of helping parents embrace their important role as their child's first and best teacher. Today, Parents as Teachers continues to equip early childhood organizations and professionals with information and tools that are relevant—and widely applicable—to today's parents, families and children.

The Parents as Teachers leadership team and Board of Directors is engaged in a three-year strategic plan, which positions the organization as a valued partner to support the organizations and professionals who serve families and children, especially those most vulnerable.

The concept for Parents as Teachers was developed in the 1970s when Missouri educators noted that children were beginning kindergarten with varying levels of school readiness. Research showed that greater parent involvement is a critical link in the child's development of learning skills, including reading and writing.

Early childhood professionals suggested that a program to provide early detection of developmental delays and health issues, and parent education to help parents understand their role in encouraging their child's development from the beginning could help improve school readiness and parent involvement.

With funding from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and The Danforth Foundation, Parents as Teachers began in 1981 in Missouri as a pilot project for first-time parents of newborns. Recognizing the program's benefits and cost effectiveness, the Missouri legislature provided state funding in 1985 to implement Parents as Teachers programs in all Missouri school districts. Since 1985, Parents as Teachers has expanded to all 50 states and six other countries.

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Miss Snowflake Queen was Faith Olive.

Miss Snowflake 3rd Attendant was Jasmine Dering.

Miss Snowflake 1st Attendant was Leah Ballin.

Miss Snowflake 2nd Attendant was Emily Page.

Shown in the submitted photo from left to right are Jasmine Dering, Faith Oliver, Leah Ballin, and Emily Page.

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- Jr. Miss Snowflake Queen was Lakyn Kaminsky.
- Jr. Miss Snowflake 2nd Attendant was Mia Williams.
- Jr. Miss Snowflake 1st Attendant was Molly Murphy.

Shown in the submitted photo from left to right are Mia Williams, Lakyn Karninsky, and Molly Murphy.

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Preteen Miss Snowflake Queen was Katelynn Owens.

Preteen Miss Snowflake 1st Attendant was Grace Hanner.

Shown in the submitted photo from left to right are Grace Hanner and Katelynn Owens.

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Petite Miss Snowflake Queen was Reese Carr.

Petite Miss Snowflake 1st Attendant was Chloe Coronado.

Petite Miss Snowflake 2nd Attendant was Alyssa Maclin.

Shown in the submitted photo from left to right are Chloe Coronado, Reese Carr, and Alyssa Maclin.

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