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Boonshoft Museum of Discovery to Host "Wise About Eyes" Preview Party

DAYTON – Prevent Blindness Ohio and the Boonshoft Museum of Discovery's Wise About Eyes exhibit premiere party will be held on Wednesday, June 27th from 5:30-7:30PM at the Boonshoft Museum in Dayton.

The Wise About Eyes exhibit is the newest effort to educate Ohio's children on how to keep their eyes healthy and safe. The exhibit will be on display through the end of September at the Boonshoft Museum of Discovery. It is an interactive and fun way for children to learn by actually seeing the world as someone who has an eye disease would or by learning about eye safety wear that protects our eyes while playing sports or working.

Speakers at the event include: **Mr. Mark Meister**: Executive Director, Boonshoft Museum of Discovery; **Ms. Zeldia Weaver**: Program Coordinator, Save Our Sight Fund; **Ms. Sherry Williams**: President and CEO, Prevent Blindness Ohio; **Debra Brathwaite**: Deputy Superintendent, Dayton Public Schools; **Mr. Mike Rankin**: Registrar, Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles. Other special guests expected to attend are Mayor Rhine McLin, Senator Tom Roberts, and Representative Fred Strahorn.

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Partnerships in this project include the Ohio Department of Health, Ohio Association of School Nurses, Opticians Association of Ohio, Ohio Optometric Association, Bureau of Child and Family Health Services, and the Save Our Sight Program.

The exhibit was funded by the Ohio Department of Health, Bureau of Child and Family Health Services, Save Our Sight Program. The Save Our Sight Program is supported by \$1 donations at the time of vehicle registration to support eye health and safety programs for kids www.saveoursight.org.

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