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Dave Childres State Farm Insurance

Dave Childres (LSC 1992) is proud to call Shelby County home. A Shelbyville High School graduate, Dave earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Franklin College. After

graduating in 1989, Dave went to work for Bank One as assistant branch manager. He was placed in several branches in Indianapolis always with the goal of coming back to manage the Shelbyville Bank One office. His father, a State Farm Agent, asked Dave to take the State Farm Agent Candidate test



to help his District Manager meet his requirements. That favor changed Dave's career path. In October of 1993, Dave started with State Farm and took over the book of business from retiring agent Gene McCain. In March of 1996, Dave joined his father at his present business location.

While with the Shelbyville Bank One office, Dave participated in Leadership Shelby County. Dave said he learned so much about the local industry and businesses. Even though he had lived here all his life and routinely drove past the buildings, Dave had no idea what was going on inside. Dave was a tennis player and through LSC discovered that GenCorp manufactured the Penn tennis balls he used every day. With that knowledge, he secured free tennis balls for all of the tennis tournaments he managed. Dave said, "One of the biggest take-aways from LSC was becoming educated about what Shelbyville has available."

Dave's team project was Career Day at Shelbyville High School. At the time, speakers talked to students about college, prepping for a career, business ethics, resume' writing and most importantly to him, the advantages of Shelbyville and the Shelby County Community. Looking back at his experience with LSC and what it is today, Dave remarked that like the Career Day project his LSC team executed, LSC has evolved with time. Although he enjoyed his LSC experience, he thinks LSC is probably even better today.

In addition to managing tennis tournaments, Dave played tennis competitively in high school, college and after graduation. He also coached both boys' and girls' tennis at Shelbyville High School. Now however, Dave's free time is mostly spent with his family. His wife, Robin is an instructional assistant at Hendricks Elementary. Jacob is a freshman and Megan is in 6th grade. Jacob is the musician in the family, and Megan is playing on the SMS tennis team.

Dave enjoys his career as a State Farm Insurance owner/

agent and takes the obligation to his clients very seriously. He is committed to giving personal service to his customers and spends much time working to ensure that the responsibilities entrusted to him are done to the best of his ability.

As a member of MainStreet Shelbyville Inc. Board of Directors, Dave is in a position to see the way that the businesses in Shelbyville give back financially to the community. He says it is incredible the number of businesses in Shelby County who help fund the not-for-profit agencies in the community.

Dave is happy to be considered a LSC Alumni and very happy to be living, working, and raising his family in Shelby County.

Save the Date: April 29, 2020 Self-Promotion: An LSC Professional Development Opportunity, facilitated by Carolyn Goerner

"Carolyn is great! She truly understands why it's hard for many to "self-promote," which allowed this workshop to be extremely relatable and beneficial. Not only did Carolyn get me out of my comfort zone, she provided practical techniques for genuine self-promotion that can easily be used in everyday life. I highly recommend this workshop to anyone, especially those who find it difficult to talk about their accomplishments." – Julia Polston LSC 2018

Sara Cummins FUSE, Inc.

Congratulations to Sara Cummins, 2016 LSC graduate. Sara has been appointed Director of FUSE (Families United for Support and Encouragement). Sara has been the Interim Director since May, 2019.

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LSC 2019–2020 next class: April 14 Graduation/Debrief

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