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The news source of Jumping Jelly Beans Pediatric Therapy. Keeping you informed on the latest updates on our therapy staff, patients, and community.

## SPILLING THE BEANS... ON OUR NEW CLINIC IN NEWPORT!

Jumping Jelly Beans Pediatric Therapy is thrilled to announce the opening of our first satellite outpatient clinic in Newport, Arkansas. Jumping Jelly Beans-Newport is located in the old Sensabaugh Insurance building at 908 AR HWY 367.

For the past 4 years, we have been serving the children of Jackson County and surrounding areas in homes, daycares, and schools. This new satellite clinic will allow us the opportunity to even better serve children, birth to 18, by offering physical, occupational, and speech therapy in an outpatient clinic setting.

The new space will allow our therapists to provide a more customized plan of care by using adaptive equipment and therapy tools that are unable to be used in the home, daycare, or school setting due to size or portability constraints. Jumping Jelly Beans-Newport will have the full administrative support of our Jonesboro office allowing our Newport therapists to focus on providing the best therapy possible. We are excited to be a part of this amazing community and look forward to serving Jackson County.



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## SPILLING THE BEANS...ON OUR THERAPY STAFF



Laura Keller is a Speech-Language Pathologist and an Independence County native. Laura has a passion for giving children a voice and providing them with the best skills they need to be successful. Laura holds certifications in SCERTS, LAMP, and SOS Feeding.

Laura attended Harding University where she graduated with her Bachelor of Arts in General Studies in 2007. She went on to complete her Masters in Communication Disorders in 2008 from Arkansas State University.

Laura joined the Jumping Jelly Beans Pediatric therapy team in August 2017. Laura currently provides speech therapy services for JJB to the students at Cedar Ridge Public Schools.

Laura and her husband, Rusty, have 2 children, Lainey and Rhett. Laura enjoys spending time with her family working their cattle farm, enjoying the outdoors, and visiting state and national parks.

## **SPILLING THE BEANS... ON HANDWRITING WITHOUT TEARS CERTIFICATIONS**

Jumping Jelly Beans is pleased to announce that Occupational Therapist Jennifer Gardner has completed all the necessary requirements needed to become Handwriting Without Tears Level 1 Certified. Handwriting remains a critical skill in the classroom for students to become effective readers, writers, and communicators. It is one of the most common reasons for referral for occupational therapy services in school age children. The Handwriting Without Tears<sup>®</sup> curriculum draws from years of research to provide developmentally appropriate, multisensory strategies for early writing. The program follows research of how children learn best and includes materials that address all styles of learning.

Jennifer is excited to utilize this curriculum in her therapy and looks forward to seeing the positive gains our kids make because of Handwriting Without Tears.

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