

Parent Leadership Hub Weekly E-mail for October 8, 2009

Parent/Personnel Development Opportunities

1. Sensory Triggers & Behavioral Techniques in WI Rapids

Tuesday, November 3 at 6:30 at the McMillan Library – Wisconsin Rapids

Please register with Child Care Resource & Referral 715-423-4114 or e-mail

ccrwcw@tznet.com Presenter – Deb Benish ~ Special Education Assistant Director/OT/
PT Coordinator, CESA 5

This presentation will focus on sensory integration, behavior triggers, and tips and techniques for managing behaviors (not necessarily specific to autism, but inclusive of). The presentation will include strategies, interventions, and concrete examples as well as resources accessible by providers, parents, and caregivers. Please register with Child Care Resource & Referral at 715-423-4114 or e-mail CCRRCW@TZNET.COM

2. Invitation to Request to be a Presenter (RFP) for Wisconsin's Graduation Summit

Do you have a program or strategy that has reduced dropouts, increased graduation numbers or rates, with special attention to students of color, students with disabilities? You may be selected to provide a sectional at Wisconsin's Graduation Summit.

Sectional RFPs may be submitted online at:

<https://forms.dpi.wi.gov/se.ashx?s=56301B2D7E0579AE>

Deadline for proposals is October 21, 2009. The purpose of Wisconsin's Graduation Summit is to build local capacity to reduce dropouts/ increase graduation numbers and rates, with special attention to students of color, students with disabilities – directly tied to Dr. Evers statewide initiative titled, "Every Child a Graduate." Education-related organizations, state agencies, as well as business and community leaders have come together to provide input and planning toward a successful summit. The summit will include juried sectionals, as the core of best practice success stories. Due to funding limitations travel expense reimbursement may not exceed \$200 per presentation.

The summit will be held at the Country Springs Hotel and Conference Center, 2810 Golf Road, Pewaukee, WI 53072, on December 9, 2009 from 9 am to 3 pm. A block of rooms is being held for the summit at state rates. For reservations, please contact the hotel directly at (262) 547-0201 or <http://countryspringshotel-px.rtrk.com/index.aspx>.

If you have any questions about the RFP or the summit, please contact daniel.wiltrout@dpi.wi.gov or (608) 267-9242.

Family Involvement Resources

1. Vietnamese Parent/Child Early Literacy Activities

A Vietnamese language version of the On-the-Go parent-child activities is now available.

To download materials go to <http://www.wlearning.com> and click on the button that

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says "Download Free Parent Tools" on the home page. Then click on "On-The-Go." Find "Vietnamese On The Go" on the list of Available Downloads. Click that link and copy the file to your computer or print it out.

These materials include twenty home and community activities for adults and children birth to three that encourage early language and literacy development. They are appropriate for children with disabilities as well as children who are developing typically. The materials are made available by Angela Notari-Syverson and colleagues, and may be copied and distributed as long as they are not sold. For questions please contact: Mary Maddox, Washington Learning Systems, 2212 Queen Anne Ave. No. Ste. 726, Seattle, WA 98109, (206) 310-7401 FAX (206) 283-9243
mmaddox@wlearning.com

2. Applications now available for 2010 WI Transition Conference Scholarships

Parent and youth scholarship applications are now being accepted for the 7th Annual Wisconsin Transition Conference on February 18-19, 2010 at the Kalahari in Wisconsin Dells. To be eligible for the scholarship you must be a youth with a disability between the ages of 14-21 or a parent of a youth with a disability between the ages of 14-21.

The application will ask you to verify the age and disability information. All disability related information will be kept confidential. The scholarship award pays for registration and hotel costs for Wednesday, February 17th and Thursday, February 18th. Included in the registration costs are materials and breakfast, lunch, afternoon snack and pizza social on Thursday and breakfast and mid-morning snack on Friday. All other expenses including transportation, meals on Wednesday and Friday after the morning will snack will be the responsibility of the scholarship recipient.

Go to http://www.wsti.org/scholarship_app_form.php for more information. Questions regarding the scholarship application can be directed to Linda Maitrejean at lindam@cesa11.k12.wi.us.

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