

Parent Leadership Hub Weekly E-mail for November 5, 2009

Parent/Personnel Development Opportunities

1. Job Coach Training in Janesville

December 3-4, 2009 at 9:00-3:30 both days (8:30 registration Dec. 3)

Holiday Inn Express, 3100 Wellington Place, Janesville, WI 53546 608.756.3100

Registration Deadline: Tuesday November 24, 2009

Laura Owens, Ph.D., will be presenting and is an associate professor at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and founder of Creative Employment Opportunities, Inc.

(www.ceomke.com), an employment agency for people with disabilities in Milwaukee.

Target Audience: Paraprofessionals, high school teachers, transition coordinators and adult service agency personnel.

Cost: TAN members—\$125; non-TAN members—\$225

Continental Breakfast, lunch, snacks and materials will be provided. A block of hotel rooms will be reserved under CESA 2 until Nov. 27. Please call the hotel directly for your reservation: 608.756.3100.

Registration Qs? Contact Peggy at pstrong@cesa2.k12.wi.us

Content Qs? Contact Pam Jenson at pamjenson@cesa2.k12.wi.us

2. Helping Your Child Through Adolescence in Wausau

December 13, 2009 at Marathon County Public Library in Wausau. After your child's initial diagnosis of an autism spectrum disorder or other learning disability, you as a parent probably developed routines to help your child. Adolescence brings a new set of challenges. The physical and emotional changes, new social situations, and strong emotions, can be difficult for any parent. Come learn from, and be encouraged by, the experiences of two mothers who helped their children with autism spectrum disorders through transitions from middle school to adulthood. Presented by Jackie Baldwin and Pam Snyder. For more information contact Katie at 715-261-7283.

3. Wisconsin Statewide Autism Training Advanced Level: Addressing Challenging Behavior - Wausau

March 9-10, 2010. Designed for educational personnel working in K-12 settings with students with autism. Advanced training requires participants to have either completed the DPI basic training or the equivalent. The advanced trainings will not cover basic concepts and information. Registration online only at <http://dpi.wi.gov/sped/autism.html>.

For information contact: Jeanne (608) 266-3928 Email: jeanne.hook@dpi.wi.gov or

Brian (608) 266-3648 Email 2: brian.johnson@dpi.wi.gov

4. State Superintendent's Council on Special Education Public Forum in Madison

The State Superintendent's Council on Special Education will hold a public forum to gather input on matters related to special education in Wisconsin. Information obtained

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will be used by the Council in advising the Department of Public Instruction on matters affecting the education of Wisconsin's children and youth with disabilities. The council is receptive to hearing about any topic upon which people may choose to comment. This public forum will be held in conjunction with the State Superintendent's Conference on Special Education and Pupil Services Leadership Issues.

When: Monday evening, November 16, 2009 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Where: Madison Marriott West, Salons A-D (1313 John Q. Hammons Drive, Middleton, Wisconsin; 608/831-2000).

For more information, see http://www.dpi.wi.gov/sped/cee_meet.html or contact Gary Myrah, Council Chairperson, at Port Washington-Saukville School District, 100 West Monroe Street Port Washington, WI 53074; gary.myrah@pwssd.k12.wi.us; (262) 268-6079; or Council Vice-Chairperson, Holly Hart, at 6811 North Shore Drive, Eau Claire, WI 54703; (715) 834-2488; holly@hollyhartconsulting.com.

5. Children Come First Conference Still Accepting Registrations

Ready, Set, Relationship! November 16 & 17, 2009

20th Children Come First Conference At the Kalahari Resort & Convention Center

KEYNOTES: Dr. Barry Duncan & Lucille Eber

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34 Break-Out Sessions, Youth Track & More!

To register for the conference - visit our website at: www.wifamilyties.org

and download a registration form, complete the form, then fax it to us at: 608.267.6801.

We can process payments on line OR call us for other options.

For questions call us at 800.422.7145

Family Involvement Resources

1. Updated Parent Leadership Hub Product Order Form

Attached you will find an updated copy of the Parent Leadership Hub Order Form.

Please be sure to use this form when placing orders. The form is also available at <http://www.dpi.wi.gov/sped/hmparents.html>.

2. New Products and Redesigned website on Brain Injury

Visit www.lapublishing.com/blog for free articles that can be downloaded and used as information sheets on Brain Injury. Three brand new manuals available now:

1) Explaining Brain Injury, Blast Injury and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder to Children and Teens.

2) After Brain Injury; Telling Your Story.

3) Choosing, Finding and Keeping a Job after Brain Injury.

3. Family Communications Website

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A variety of topics related to parenting young children is available in addition to a monthly newsletter. PBS is currently airing Mister Rogers programs on Saturday mornings. Additional materials and ideas related to the program theme are offered to parents. Visit: www.misterrogers.org

4. Green Hour Website

Ideas for getting your young children out in nature are on this website. Weekly activities are offered that include activities, book ideas, a make and do section, parents' guide, resources, downloads and photo tips. A parent blog is also connected to this site. Visit: www.greenhour.org

5. National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center for Early Childhood Website

This site offers topic pages, webinars and conference calls, conferences and calendars, discussion groups and publications related to educating young children with special needs including mental health, social-emotional development and challenging behaviors. Visit: www.nectac.org

6. Zero to Three Website

This site offers practical and science-based information to help parents make choices that are best for the family. The site also includes information for professionals and related to public policy. Visit: www.zerotothree.org

7. Wood County Children and Disability Resource Center

The Children and Disability Resource Center (CDRC) provides a consistent contact for families throughout a child's growth and development. The CDRC can provide assistance in navigating Wood County non-profit, governmental, health care and educational systems. CDRC will provide Wood County residents a person to speak with who is able to provide current information on the services and programs available, and guided referrals to appropriate services. Confidential assistance is available by phone, e-mail, office visit or in the family home. Follow-up will be available for those that request. For Information Call: 715-421-0480 or 715-387-2326 or CDRC@CSSW.ORG. This is a free confidential service for families in Wood County.

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