

## Parent Leadership Hub Weekly E-mail for March 4, 2010

### *Parent/Personnel Development Opportunities*

#### **1. Family Fun Day in Eau Claire**

The \*Chippewa Valley Down Syndrome Connection (CVDSC) along with Chaos Waterpark and Action City would like you to come join a day of family fun celebrating World Down Syndrome Day 2010.

Where: Chaos Water Park & Action City: (888) 861-6001  
5150 Fairview Drive ~ Eau Claire, WI 54701

When: Sunday, March 21, 2010

10am-12pm at Action City (unlimited play)

12pm-1pm pizza buffet (included in ticket price)

1pm-close (8pm) at Chaos Waterpark

Come for the entire time or choose what is most convenient for you.

Cost: \$10 per person

R.S.V.P: PLEASE RSVP to Amy by Friday, March 12, 2010 at (715) 552-5838

or [aimhs@juno.com](mailto:aimhs@juno.com)

#### **2. Supporting Children with Challenging Behaviors – Various Locations**

This 4-Hour Training for respite care providers, foster parents, child care providers, and others places strong emphasis on pro-active supports. Paul White, MA, University of Wisconsin, Waisman Center is the facilitator. The training uses a video of dramatic, realistic enactments of threatening confrontations done by professional actors. The learning style includes small group work, videotape, and some physical practice; wear comfortable clothing. Cost: \$10.00 per person. If you have questions contact: Deenah Givens at RCAW, in Madison: 608.222.2033 or Toll Free: 1.877.260.9207. To view the flyer for more information on upcoming training dates and locations, go to <http://www.respitecarewi.org/docs/RCT%20-%20Announcement%20Flyer.doc> or visit us on the web at: [www.respitecarewi.org](http://www.respitecarewi.org)

#### **3. 1-2-3 Magic Parent Education in Onalaska**

Wednesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:00 pm at the Onalaska Public Library, 741 Oak Ave So, Onalaska, WI)

The award winning, best selling *1-2-3 Magic program* provides practical and easy to-learn parenting techniques that work for children ages 2-12. Join Friends of Adoption and Stein Counseling for an evening of learning to understand your Child's Behavior.

For more information or to register, contact Magen at [mduffy@cclse.org](mailto:mduffy@cclse.org) or

608-782-0710 x223. Admission is free with a donation of a nonperishable food item to be donated to Catholic Charities food pantry.

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### 4. STEM Camp in Illinois

*Exploration by Design: How Stuff Works 2010*, is a three-day immersion experience for students with disabilities who are interested in science, social sciences, technology, engineering and math (STEM). Participants and their parents also will gain insights about careers, postsecondary transition, accommodations and assistive technology.

Campers can attend one of two sessions; session one takes place at the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana on July 20-22 followed by session two at the University of Wisconsin-Madison on July 27-29. Each site can accommodate up to 20 students and their parents or guardians.

Click here to apply: <http://stemmidwest.org/default.asp?contentID=596>

Online registration begins March 1, 2010. Participants must be current or graduating high school students in grades 9-12, U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents and must have a verifiable disability. All expenses, including food, housing and transportation within Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin will be provided for students and up to two parents or guardians. Prior year participants are not eligible in order to allow new participants to take part. For more information, please contact Dan Nordstrom at [dnordstrom@wisc.edu](mailto:dnordstrom@wisc.edu) or 608-890-0992 or Michelle Priddy at [mpriddy@illinois.edu](mailto:mpriddy@illinois.edu) or 217-244-1571. The sponsor of these camps is the Midwest Alliance in STEM ([www.stemmidwest.org](http://www.stemmidwest.org)), which is funded by the National Science Foundation (Grant Number 0533197).

### 5. Save the Date: PBIS Coaches Training in Stevens Point

August 17-18 Coaches Training

Stevens Point, Ramada

Intensive skill building in:

Universal/Tier 1 Coaching, Administration, Data-Based Decision Making

Secondary/Tier 2: Check In-Check Out, FBA/BIP, Targeted Instructional Groups

Tertiary/Tier 3: Wraparound, FBA/BIP

Keynote Speaker: Rob Horner National PBIS Technical Assistance Center

Wisconsin PBIS Network.

Registration will open in mid-April. If you have any questions contact Justyn Poulos, PBIS Network Coordinator, [poulosj@cesa5.k12.wi.us](mailto:poulosj@cesa5.k12.wi.us) 920-855-2114 x251, or Nicole Traxel, PBIS Network Research and Evaluation Coordinator, [traxeln@cesa5.k12.wi.us](mailto:traxeln@cesa5.k12.wi.us) 262-787-9517.

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### *Family Involvement Resources*

#### **1. New Customized Self-Employment Toolkit**

New Toolkit for Self-Employment from the Wisconsin Division of Vocational Rehabilitation is available at [http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/pdf\\_files/self\\_employment\\_customized\\_toolkit.pdf](http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/pdf_files/self_employment_customized_toolkit.pdf)

#### **2. Modified Expectations High School Contract**

Students who use this modified contract have an asterisk placed by the grade on their report cards indicating that the course was modified. For a copy of a blank "modified expectation" contract or a filled-out example used for a real student with the names de-identified, please contact Beth Swedeen at [swedeen@waisman.wisc.edu](mailto:swedeen@waisman.wisc.edu). Below is a link to a related article *Signs of an Inclusive School*: <http://escholarship.bc.edu/education/teplus/vol5/iss3/art1/>

The U.S. Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights offers questions and answers about report cards and transcripts for students with disabilities attending public elementary and secondary schools at <http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/letters/colleague-qa-20081017.html>

#### **3. Volunteer Opportunities in Media and History Project**

The "Mission Accessible" National Disability Media and History Project is looking for volunteers to transcribe historical state documents and oral history videos. Transcriptions will be included in a new database and video editor scheduled for launch on July 26, 2010, the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Volunteers can work from their own computers. To sign up, go to <https://sites.google.com/a/pinedafoundation.org/ios/dart-diaries-50-states>.

"It's Our Story" also needs technology volunteers to lead in the creation of a beta site that will make its archives available in a public, accessible, and searchable format. For more information go to <https://sites.google.com/a/pinedafoundation.org/ios/frequently-asked-questions>

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