

Parent Leadership Hub Weekly E-mail for May 20, 2010

Parent/Personnel Development Opportunities

1. 13th Annual Summer Law Institute in Madison

June 16-17, 2010, Fluno Center – Madison, Wisconsin

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Sponsored by: Marathon County Special Education.

Visit www.mcspecialeducation.com for more information. For the brochure, go to <http://www.mcspecialeducation.com/media/events/13sumlaw.pdf>

2. Upcoming Autism Events

Autism Society of Wisconsin's 2010 fall conferences are now on the ASW website, below are some brief details of some upcoming events:

Two Day Mega Training by Paula Kluth

September 23-24, 2010 at the Wintergreen Resort & Conference Center, Wisconsin Dells

Co-Sponsored by DPI,

National AutCom Conference

October 15-16, 2010 at Wyndham Milwaukee Airport Hotel & Convention Center

Co-Sponsored by ASW

ASW 2011 Annual Conference

April 14-16 at the Kalahari Resort & Convention Center, Wisconsin Dells

(Early Bird materials will be on the website soon and in the next ASW newsletter.)

Go to <http://www.asw4autism.org/> for more information on these events.

3. State Superintendent's Conference on Special Education and Pupil Services Leadership Issues in Madison

The 26th Annual State Superintendent's Conference on Special Education and Pupil Services Leadership Issues will be held November 16-17, 2010 at the Marriott Madison West in Middleton, Wisconsin. Please see dpi.wi.gov/sped/pdf/falleader-flyer.pdf for more information. Watch for more conference information in future e-mails. Please contact Sherri Honaker at sherri.honaker@dpi.wi.gov or (608) 267-7904 with other questions.

4. Trauma Informed Schools Training in Madison

On November 17-18, 2010 the DPI, with support from the WI Department of Health Services, will be offering a one-time training on Trauma Informed Schools, featuring Joel Ristuccia, EdM. This training will be in conjunction with the 26th Annual State Superintendent's Conference on Special Education and Pupil Services Leadership Issues.

You may attend the afternoon of November 17 or both days. Please see dpi.wi.gov/sped/

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[pdf/falleader-trauma.pdf](#) for more information. Watch for more information in future e-mails. Please contact Sherri Honaker at sherri.honaker@dpi.wi.gov or (608) 267-7904 with other questions.

5. Every Child a Graduate Conference in Madison

The 2011 Every Child a Graduate Conference brochure and web pages are available <http://dpi.wi.gov/ecg/conference.html>. The conference takes place on January 13-14, 2011 at Monona Terrace in Madison, WI. The preconference is scheduled for January 12. Conference registration will begin in September. The four conference session tracks are:

- Culturally Responsive Education (addressing diversity)
- Instruction and Intervention (instructional practices; collaboration; use of technology and/or data; decision-making, etc.)
- Instructional Leadership (leadership development across the spectrum in schools: students, teachers, administration)
- District and School Improvement (systems; assessments; improvement plans; models)

For information contact Sandy Ryan at Sandra.ryan@dpi.wi.gov or 608-266-7283.

6. Best Practices in Inclusive Education Conference in Wausau

The 17th Annual State-Wide Institute on Best Practices in Inclusive Education will be held at the Westwood Conference Center in Wausau, WI, on July 26-28, 2010. This year's program offers information on Best Practices in Inclusion, Universal Design for Learning, Literacy, Including Students with AD/HD & Executive Function Disorder, Inclusive Staffing & Service Delivery Models, Autism, Accessible Science Instruction, Math Standards for All, Transition, Challenging Behaviors, and Peer Supports. Keynotes include Dr. Patrick Schwarz and Chris Zeigler Dendy. If you have any questions related to the Institute, please call Kim Beloin at 414-881-8101, by e-mail Beloin@att.net, or look for further information and registration at: <http://www.Beloinandbrandl.com>.

Family Involvement Resources

1. LearningPort: National Online Library of Professional Development Resources

A national online library of professional development resources was compiled to help bridge research, policy, and practice. Across states, national organizations and technical assistance investments, an extensive amount of professional development material is available. This library provides local educators with easy access to an array of resources that can be used or customized to meet their needs. <http://www.learningport.us/>

2. ParentFurther: A Source Research Institute for Parents

This site is an easy to use comprehensive resource that offers support and practical steps to help parents with a wide range of everyday parenting issues. <http://>

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www.parentfurther.com/

3. **NCCRESt: The National Center for Culturally Responsive Educational Systems**

The National Center for Culturally Responsive Education Systems provides technical assistance and resources for increasing access, participation, and equity in our schools.

<http://nccrest.org/>

4. **CREATE Videos**

The CREATE YouTube site launched two new videos about culturally responsive education in Wisconsin. To view the videos, go to <http://www.youtube.com/user/CREATEWisconsin>. Information and resources from CREATE may be found at www.createwisconsin.net.

5. **Test Accommodations for Students**

Revised assessment accommodation matrices are available for the 2010-11 school year and can be found at <http://dpi.wi.gov/oea/accommtrx.html>. They are separated into three distinct documents based upon student needs. Although the documents look different, the content within each document remains the same with the addition of a few new accommodations easily identified by the “new” symbol. No accommodations have been removed. Please keep in mind all assessment accommodations for students with disabilities, students on 504 plans, and English language learners (ELL) should be documented and consistent with day-to-day instruction.

An accommodations manual will be available online in Fall 2010. It will provide additional examples and an explanation of each accommodation and test practice found on the above forms. Please contact Kristen Kehoe, kristen.kehoe@dpi.wi.gov or Angela Dugas, angela.dugas@dpi.wi.gov with further questions or comments.

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