



State Support Team - Region 11

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Contact Tina Forshey 614.753.4681 or e-mail Tina.Forshey@escoco.org to register. The following information will be needed. First and last name, mailing address, phone number, email (if applicable) and name of training. Sign in and on-site registration will begin 30 minutes prior to each session. Also you can register by going to STARS at <http://www.ode.state.oh.us>.

*** All sessions will be held at the Educational Service Center of Central Ohio, 2080 Citygate Drive, unless otherwise indicated*



**2017-2018
Parent Trainings**

STABLE Accounts, What Families Need to Know

Date: Oct. 12, 2017

Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

Location: Educational Service Center of Central Ohio

Speaker: Eric Ochmanek, Deputy Chief of Staff Office of the State Treasurer of Ohio

A STABLE Account is an investment account available to eligible individuals with disabilities. STABLE Accounts are made possible by the federal Achieving a Better Life Experience (“ABLE”) Act. STABLE Accounts allow individuals with disabilities to save and invest money without losing eligibility for certain public benefits programs, like Medicaid, SSI, or SSDI.

A representative from the office of Josh Mandel, Treasurer of Ohio, will provide valuable information to families about STABLE Accounts including going through each of the sections in detail with families. There will also be time available to answer questions. Don’t miss this opportunity to receive valuable information on establishing a STABLE Account for your family member.

Critical Social and Emotional Skills that Children Need to be Successful: A Families Guide to Social and Emotional Learning (SEL)

Date: Nov. 9, 2017

Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

Location: Educational Service Center of Central Ohio

Speaker: Tara Finton, Consultant, SST Region 11

Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) is fundamental to every child’s development and overall school success at all ages. Children with strong social and emotional skills improve their connection to school, demonstrate positive behavior, and increase academic achievement.

In this learning opportunity, families will explore the importance of social and emotional skills and learn tips for supporting the development of these skills. Participants will discover ways to help their child better identify and manage their emotions, build and maintain friendships, and make responsible choices.



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30 Million Words, Getting Young Children Ready for School

Date: Dec. 14, 2017
Time: 6 – 8 p.m.
Location: Educational Service Center of Central Ohio
Speaker: Adrian Stevens, Consultant, SST Region 11

Research has shown that for many young children there is a “language gap”. In this learning opportunity families will discover the importance of talking to their children. This is particularly important for children birth through age eight. Developing your child’s vocabulary has shown to be beneficial in brain development, and basic literacy skills which are critical components of school readiness. This learning opportunity will provide strategies for families to use with their child. Each family will receive Free Materials to help them implement oral language and talking strategies at home.

What Parents/Families Should Know About the 504 Process

Date: Jan. 11, 2018
Time: 6 – 8 p.m.
Location: Educational Service Center of Central Ohio
Speaker: Joe Farry, Consultant, & Greg Mathews, Associate Director, SST Region 11

Participants will gain a better understanding of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Eligibility requirements, parents’ rights, and the process to follow in order to request an evaluation for a 504 plan will be discussed. Examples of allowable accommodations under a 504 plan will be discussed, as well as how a 504 and IEP differ. There will be time for questions following the session.



Preparing for Kindergarten, What Parents Should Know

Date: Feb. 8, 2018
Time: 6 – 8 p.m.
Location: Educational Service Center of Central Ohio
Speaker: Helen O’Leary, Consultant, SST Region 11

Transitioning to Kindergarten from preschool or home can be a difficult time for young children and families. Helping children make this transition involves careful planning as well as home and school collaboration.

This session will provide information regarding Kindergarten Readiness, what to expect and how to participate in the planning process, as well as tips to ease the transition.

What Families Need to Know About the Evaluation/Reevaluation Process

Date: March 8, 2018
Time: 6 – 8 p.m.
Location: Educational Service Center of Central Ohio
Speaker: Joe Farry, Consultant, & Greg Mathews, Associate Director, SST Region 11

This training is an opportunity for families to gain a better understanding of the evaluation/reevaluation process under IDEA.

Topics that will be covered include:

- How to request an evaluation/reevaluation;
- The important role parents/families play in the process;
- Typical evaluation tools used by districts;
- Review each section of the Evaluation Team Report;
- What to look for in the Evaluation Team Report and how to incorporate the information into your child’s IEP;
- When and how to request an Independent Educational Evaluation (IEE).

There will be ample time built into the presentation to answer questions and to engage in discussion.



What Families Need to Know About the IEP Process

Date: April 12, 2018

Time: 6–8 p.m.

Location: Educational Service Center of Central Ohio

Speaker: Joe Farry, Consultant, & Greg Mathews, Associate Director, SST Region 11

This learning opportunity will:

Review each of the sections of the new IEP form and provide information about what documentation should be provided in each section;

Review components necessary in order to develop compliant and meaningful measurable annual goals and objectives;

Discuss the required members of an IEP team and their role; provide several resources to assist families in the IEP process.



Community Engagements Activities

2017 Learning Differences College Fair

Date: Oct. 4, 2017

Time: 6:30 – 8 p.m.

Location: **Gahanna Lincoln HS, 140 S Hamilton Rd, Gahanna Ohio**

No registration needed.

Gahanna Lincoln High School will host a free Learning Differences College Fair October 4, 2017 for students with learning disabilities. The fair is open to the public.

Representatives from numerous universities and colleges, including: The Ohio State University; Newark Campus; Central Ohio Technical College; and, Muskingham College will be on hand to discuss their programs and answer questions about services available to accommodate incoming college students with learning disabilities to achieve their career goals.

The event focuses on post secondary educational opportunities for students with learning differences, however, all high school students and their parents are invited to attend to talk to college representatives. Learning differences can include ADHD, Dyslexia, as well as other auditory and visual processing difficulties. For more information, contact 614-478-5500 or the GLHS Guidance Office, 614-478-5508.

Transition Resource Fair

Date: Oct. 25, 2016

Time: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Location: **Worthington Kilbourne HS, 1499 Hard Rd, Columbus Ohio**

No registration needed.

Transition Night is a free resource fair for students with developmental disabilities and their parents to assist in mapping their way through high school and beyond.

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