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The Parent Mentor WINUTE

A monthly newsletter of the ESC of Lorain County Parent Mentor Program

Reading

Working with older kids



The weather is changing and that means our family routines will be changing, too! One routine not to let go of with the changing weather is reading.

For a great article on reading with your older kids, check out the website at this link.

Free Virtual Event

Ohio Dyslexia Law

May 15, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

"Strategies for Compliance and Monitoring," hosted by Northern Ohio Branch of the International Dyslexia Association. Learn about the new Ohio Dyslexia law and how the upcoming changes may impact your child. Register at this link.

Nearing the home stretch

We are in the final few weeks of school! You did it! As the year winds down, we want you to remember how important you are in your child's success no matter their age!

"At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of the parents"

- Jane D. Hull

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Big emotions

Do you have a child with BIG emotions? You can find some good tips on helping your child learn how to identify the size of their problems and help with those emotions.

Learn more at this link.



High School (Transition Age 14+)

Starfire Storytelling (virtual event)

May 8, 3-4:30 p.m.

Come listen to creative ideas by families and people with developmental disabilities as they connect with their own communities. Join us and hear inspiring stories from families that are working to build more connections in their own communities through the discovery and activation of their family's gifts.

Learn more and register at this link.



Summer is just around the corner—and that means it's time to start thinking about camp opportunities!
Check out the great list of summer camps and other resources at this link.



If your student has slow processing speed, it may impact a lot of their activities. It could even lead to anxiety. Here's what you need to know about slow processing speed and anxiety and how you can help. Here are links to a few resource articles:

- Anxiety and slow processing speed
- Social executive function
- Organizational skills

IEP Tip Corner

Navigating the IEP

We encourage you to visit the parent page on the Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities website. You'll find helpful information about the IEP process. You can find it as this link.

We also encourage you to register for the Family Cafe virtual seminar at 5:30 p.m. May 17. You can find information at this link.

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