

Special Services Department

Newsletter for Parents & Families
(Special Education, Health & 504 Services)



March/April 2017

April is Autism Awareness Month: Museum Exhibit at Museum of Special Art

Museum of Special Art (MOSA) has a new exhibit coming soon in honor of Autism Awareness Month! See the [MOSA website](#) for more information about this exhibit.

Exhibit: Inner Reflections of Autism

Opening Reception: April 1, 2017 from 1-4 p.m.

Exhibit Open: April 1-June 30, 2017

Museum Open: Wednesday-Saturday, 12-4 p.m.

Location: Museum of Special Art (MOSA) – Located in Bothell Country Village Complex
720 238th St. SE, Suite I
Bothell, WA 98021

For More Information Visit: <http://www.museumofspecialart.org/calling-all-artists>

The Arc of King County – Preparing for Transition to Middle School

The Arc of King County is offering two evening presentations to help with understanding and preparing for your student's transition:

Date/Location: Thursday, April 13, Redmond Middle School (10055 166th Ave. NE, Redmond)

Date/Location: Thursday, May 11, Finn Hill Middle School (8040 NE 132nd St., Kirkland)

Time: 6-8 p.m.

Event Details: Feeling nervous about the transition into middle school? Wondering what to expect and how to prepare your child? Overwhelmed by the prospect of high school and beyond? Join The Arc of King County to prepare yourself for this transition. We will discuss the differences between elementary and middle school, strategies to promote your child's independence and self-determination, things to consider as you look toward adulthood, and resources to help you along the way.

Upcoming LWPTSA Council Special Needs Group Meetings

There will be no LWPTSA Council Special Needs Group Meeting in April, instead there will be a Community Resource Fair. We hope to see you there!

Date: April 25, 2017 from 7-8:30 p.m.

Location: Lake Washington School District Resource Center
16250 NE 74th Street, Redmond (Redmond Town Center)
Parking in back or on street

Event Details: Parents, caregivers, families, and educators, come check out and talk to vendors offering after-school, summer, and other recreational activities or services to children with special

needs and their families. Children are welcome to attend.

For More Information: <http://www.lwptsa.net/special-needs/>

Save the Date: Mark your calendar for this upcoming PTSA Special Needs Group Meetings

- May 16 - (Resource Center, Board Room)
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Monthly *Ask an Ombuds* Hour

In March, the Governor's Office of the Education Ombuds launched a monthly "Ask an Ombuds" hour. The first event happened on March 14.

"Ask an Ombuds" hour will take place every second Tuesday of the month from noon-1 p.m. Every third month will be completely in Spanish. The Governor's Office of the Education Ombuds is happy to arrange language access and disability accommodations, with some advance notice through oeoinfo@gov.wa.gov or by dialing their main line a day or two before the event just to make sure that we've coordinated with the language line or secured other assistance.

The Ombuds coordinating this first session would appreciate questions in advance to the oeoinfo email address (oeoinfo@gov.wa.gov), but she can also answer questions live. [Read more](#).



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