



Parent Mentor Review

Join us virtually via Microsoft Teams in March!

[Special Needs Parent Virtual Coffee](#)

Chat on Thursday, March 11th at 11:00 AM and 6:30 PM – Grab your favorite beverage and a snack to drop in to meet and connect with other parents who have a child with an IEP or a Section 504 Plan.

[March Parent Information Series: Proactive](#)

[Strategies for De-Escalation](#) on Tuesday, March 16th at 6:30 PM

Thank you to those who attended our **February Parent Information Series on Mental Health in Olentangy Schools** on February 23rd. The video and slides are available on the [invitation](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 8, 7:00 PM

[Preparing for Emergency Situations](#)

March 9, 6:30 PM

[DCBDD Discovery Series: Relationships, Friendships, & Dating](#)

March 11, 11:00 AM & 6:30 PM

[Special Needs Parent Virtual Coffee Chat](#)

March 15, 7:00 PM

National Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

March is National Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month! Save the date for a few of the fun things planned.

- March 10, 2021 - [ADA Basics Webinar with the Great Lakes ADA Center](#)
- March 17, 2021 - [Zappos Adaptive Clothing Webinar](#)
- March 21, 2021 - [World Down Syndrome Awareness Day](#)
- March 31, 2021 - [ASL Basics Webinar with Zakiah Wilcox](#)
- April 2, 2021 - [World Autism Awareness Day](#)

[Preparing for Emergency Situations](#)

March 16, 6:30 PM

[Parent Information Series: Proactive Strategies for De-Escalation](#)

March 18, 7:00 PM

[Transition Bootcamp Series: Employment Panel](#)

Grandparents

The Ohio Statewide Family Engagement Center's GrandUnderstandings project is designed to provide resources to assist grandfamilies and the educators who support them. Click [here](#) to find grandfamily specific tools and resources.



Middle School Resources

School and social challenges can build up in middle school. Here are some resources to help your middle-schooler through this time.

[6 Tips to Help Middle Schoolers Stick With It](#)

[Launching Your Middle Schooler to Success](#)

[Middle School Family Engagement Resources](#) from the Ohio Statewide Family Engagement Center



Delaware County Transition Resource Guide

In lieu of an in-person Transition Night Event due to the ongoing pandemic, the [Delaware County Transition Resource Guide](#) has been created for 2021. Included in this guide is a partial list of services and agencies that provide support to students and families.



Tips for Helping Kids Build Self-Esteem



Summer Programs

Panicking about how to keep your kids growing, engaged, and having fun over the summer? Here are some community summer resource lists to the rescue! But don't feel like you have to stay busy every minute. Enjoy some free time together.

State Support Team 11 (SST11) [2021 Summer Resource Directory](#)

[Summer Programs Brochure 2021](#) from Dublin City Schools Parent Mentors and SEAC



PACER Center Webinar Series: Google Tips

This [three-part webinar series](#) will help students learn to harness the power of Google tools for their education. Whether you are using a Chromebook, the Google Chrome browser, or Google Docs, join this webinar series to learn about the Chrome extensions and other tools that increase productivity and support learning for students in middle school, high school, college, and beyond.

Part 1: Tools to Support Reading (Tuesday, February 23, 2021)

Part 2: Tools to Manage Time, Focus, and Information (Tuesday, March 30, 2021)

Part 3: Tools for Notetaking and Writing (Tuesday, April 27, 2021)

Check out other PACER Center workshops and Live Stream Events [here](#).

As the pandemic drags on, you may worry that it's taking a toll on your child's skills, behavior, or mental health. The good news is that you - and the pandemic itself - can help your child build strengths and resilience. Explore these resources to learn more and find out what to watch out for when it comes to negative self-talk.

[How to build resilience in kids](#)

[When kids say negative things about themselves](#)

[6 ways the COVID crisis can help kids build strengths and skills](#)

Organization for Kids from the OT Toolbox

With back and forth to hybrid/virtual/in-school, are you noticing more disorganized kids? More misplaced papers and packets, more lost materials? It seems like a good time to talk about organization for kids (and us)!

[42 tips to keep students schoolwork organized](#)

These [after-school organization strategies](#) can help with that hectic after-school transition period that involves homework and getting ready for afternoon or evening schedules and obligations.

Many times, organization has underlying areas that play into difficulties with managing directions, items, projects, tasks, or assignments. Here is information on the [sensory and organization connection](#) and some tips that may help students in this area.