
Parent Mentors eNews Special Summer 2022 Edition

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Parent Mentor Update

- Are you new to an IEP or 504 plan for your child? Parent Mentors are here to help you navigate the process. Click [here](#) for more information.
- Follow the Olentangy Parent Mentors on Twitter ([@OLSD_ParentMntr](#)) for event reminders and quick community event updates (the page will not be closely monitored, so please continue communicating with us via email or phone).
- Remember to check your child's IEP Progress Report and grade cards. They will be available electronically through the [parent portal in PowerSchool](#) on Friday, June 3rd. Please remember to view BOTH documents for your child. The IEP progress report communicates IEP goal-related progress and the grade card communicates how your child is performing on grade-level standards and expectations (with provided accommodations and/or modifications per your child's IEP). For more information on how to access your child's Report Card and Progress Report, please check out a Screencastify video and a written packet we have created for you.
 - To access the video, please click [here](#).
 - To access the written packet, please click [here](#).

Looking for fun activities, camps, or events for your kids or even for the whole family? Check out this list of potential opportunities!

- Looking for reliable and up-to-date information about resources in the Columbus area for children and families? [CAP4Kids](#) will help you find many community agencies that exist to improve the lives of children and families. [Here](#) is a list for fun and recreation all over the greater Columbus and surrounding areas.
- Does your family enjoy the outdoors? Delaware County Preservation Parks has a [Summer Letterbox Adventure](#).
- [Summer Resource Directory](#) from State Support Team 11. Summer's here, and it's time to make those important decisions regarding a summer camp for your child. The following information is shared in the hope that the challenges and experiences of other parents will enable you to select the summer camp that is most appropriate to meeting the needs of your child.
- [Ohio Afterschool Child Enrichment Educational Savings Program](#). The Ohio Afterschool Child Enrichment (ACE) Educational Savings Account program provides funds to a student's parent or guardian to use on various enrichment and educational activities. The program is being offered through a contract between Merit International, Inc. and the Ohio Department of Education.
- [Free Movies](#) at The Strand!
- [Columbus Zoo Sensory Friendly Events Schedule](#)
- [Accessible Activities and Facilities](#) at Ohio State Parks including trails and fishing piers.
- Check out these Instructor-Led Online Summer Courses from [Ed2Go](#).
- [Syntero](#) is excited to announce group prevention services for all students who attend school in Delaware and Morrow counties. Groups last for one week (Monday through Thursday) and are offered multiple times throughout the summer beginning the week of June 6th. Syntero's prevention services are provided at no cost to families through a grant from the Delaware-Morrow Mental Health & Recovery Services Board. Check out this [LINK](#) for more information.

- "Everyone Wants Friends, But Not Everyone Knows How to Get Them" Check out this [Peer Mentoring and the Boundless BEST Program](#) for more information.
- [Delaware County Libraries summer reading programs](#) for people of all ages!
- For some fun, at-home science based activities, check out [COSI connects](#).
- [Columbus State Community College Summer Camps](#) - Most of these camps are targeted to rising 9th, 10th, 11th & 12th grade students.
- Does your child use Lexia in school? They can continue to use it during the summer months with the [Lexia Summer Program](#).
- [Art of Music Summer Session](#) classes for ages 1-6 and also 6+
- [Summer Tech Resources](#) for students grades K-12
- Virtual Summer Enrichment for 2e students: [William & Mary – Center for Gifted Education – With Understanding Comes Calm](#)
- High School Juniors and Seniors, [Ohio Youth Leadership Forum for Students with Disabilities](#)
- [Adaptive Sports Connection](#) has year-round sports opportunities.
- [Recreation Unlimited](#): Unlimited dreams for individuals with disabilities and health concerns.
- [Camp Nuhop](#): Help your child build confidence and self-esteem at our summer camp for kids with diagnoses such as, but not limited to: autism spectrum disorder, learning disabilities, attention deficit, mood disorders, and neuroatypical children.
- [The Learning Spectrum](#) for camps or classes for your child with Autism

To start your new school year off on the right foot, check out these ideas for your Student Introduction Sheet!

Completing an information sheet is a great way to introduce your child to new teachers in the Fall. This helps you provide information about strengths, challenges, and successes. It can also be shared with others who come into

contact with your child to provide a great snapshot of the wonderfully unique person your child is. Here are a few of many templates available to get you started.

- [**Positive Student Profile from the Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities**](#)
- [**A One-Pager from I'm Determined**](#)
- [**Self Awareness Worksheets from Understood**](#)
- [**Back to School Introduction Letters from Understood**](#)
- [**A Get to Know Me Card from Understood**](#)