

closely monitored, so please continue communicating with us via email or phone).

Pupil Services Update

Welcome back to a new school year. We are a growing department and have added new positions in the Pupil Services Department. Please check out our [website](#) for more information.

Preschool Update

Parent volunteers are working to plan family events for your child's preschool site. If you would like to help with the planning, please contact [Anne Pistone](#).

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September 17th, 5:30 PM

[ASCO Disability Friendly
Family Pool Party](#)

September 21st, 6:30 PM

Special Education
Resource Series: [Social
Skills & Friendship
Building](#)

September 27th, 10:30 AM
& 6:30 PM

[Neurodivergent Parent
Virtual Coffee Chat](#)

For more Back-to-School Tips, check out the [latest newsletter from the Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities](#) (OCECD).



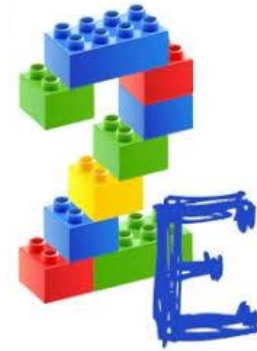
OCECD On-Demand Video Library

Check out these new [Parent Trainings](#) available on-demand from the Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities (OCECD) Video Library.



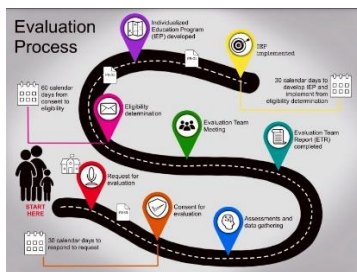
Applying to College?

Do you have a neurodivergent student interested in applying to college? Check out this webinar from ADDitude Magazine, [The College Application Guide for Neurodivergent Students](#), to help your student learn how to break down tasks, manage time effectively, and stay focused throughout the application process.



Avoiding 2e Burnout

Do you have a 2e child and have concerns about your child being able to cope with the stress of school and avoid burning out early in the year? Check out this webinar from ADDitude.com titled [Avoiding & Recovering from 2e Burnout: Support for Gifted Students](#).



The Evaluation Process



Back-to-School Tips

Back-to-school can be both an exciting and stressful time for families with kids



Launching Your Middle Schooler to Success

Are you new to the Special Education journey? ODE has created an [Evaluation Roadmap](#) for families with children ages 3-21 to help guide you through the process. Also, the [PACER Center sent out this helpful article](#) in their Winter 2022 newsletter about beginning the process in special education.

who learn and think differently. Here are a few of the many resources available to help prepare your kids for a successful school year:

- [Helping Children Minimize Back to School Anxiety](#) from Nationwide Children's Hospital On Our Sleeves

- [Strategies to Make Homework Go More Smoothly](#) from the ChildMind Institute

- [School Success Kit for Kids with Executive Functioning Issues](#) from the ChildMind Institute

- [Why Are Kids Different at Home and at School?](#) from the ChildMind Institute

- [Why and How to Partner with your Child's Teacher](#) from Understood.org

- [8 Ways to Make School Morning Routines Easier](#) from Understood.org

- [5 Things Not to Say to Your Child About Going Back to School](#) from Understood.org

The transition to Middle School can be tough. Check out [this graphic](#) from the Family Engagement Center at The Ohio State University to see how you can launch your middle schooler to success! Here's a great article from Understood.org on [New Challenges Kids Face in Middle School](#).
