Special Education Connections

January 2024

What is Special Education Connections?

A newsletter targeted to connect our families with news, resources, and important information for families whose children are accessing an IEP within Del Mar Union School District.

Transition Meetings

As we begin to approach the end of the 23-24 school year, our school-based IEP teams are working diligently to schedule and hold transition meetings for our students that are transitioning from early childhood programming to kindergarten as well as for our 6th grade students who are preparing to transition to middle school. If you have a child that is making one of these transitions, and you have question about this process, please contact your child's case manager as soon as possible and they will provide you with answers to any questions that you may have.

In-House Parent Workshops

Thank you to all the families that attended our "What is a Selpa?" workshop in September. Due to limited attendance, the December 12, 2023 workshop was cancelled. We hope to provide additional learning opportunities as this school year progresses.



Community Advisory Committee (CAC) - Upcoming Meetings

January 17, 2024

Mental Health/ADHD and Executive Function

April 17, 2024

Student Led Discussion on Inclusion (subject to change)

Meeting Location:

The CAC meetings are at the North County Regional Education Center, 255 Pico Avenue, San Marcos, from 6 to 8 p.m. (subject to change).

This is an informative meeting and all parents are encouraged to attend.

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Upcoming Parent Workshops

On-Demand NCCSE Trainings:

<u>Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) - Basic Implementation Strategies</u>

Navigating Through the Day One Step at a Time

Online NCCSE Trainings:

Parenting the Love and Logic Way - Cohort 1

4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

- January 22, 2024
- January 29, 2024
- February 5, 2024
- February 12, 2024
- February 26, 2024
- March 4, 2024

Parenting the Love and Logic Way - Cohort 2

4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

- April 4, 2024
- April 11, 2024
- April 18, 2024
- April 25, 2024
- May 2, 2024
- May 9, 2024

In-Person NCCSE Trainings:

Maximizing AAC Opportunities Within Daily Routines

February 22, 2024, from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm

CAC Priorities

Every year the SELPA works with a variety of stakeholders to select priority actions for individual school districts to focus on based on identified needs within each district.

As a SELPA the following priority actions were identified:

- Academic and Social Inclusion
- Social/Emotional Wellness
- Self Determination and Self-Advocacy
- Communication and Access to Information
- Post Secondary Transition Practices

Academic and Social Inclusion

With the support our identified CAC representative, as a department we have prioritized the following focus:

Communication and Access to Information

Specifically, we are working to enhance parent engagement by creating meaningful and accessible tools that will support home and school collaboration and communication.

As this school year continues to progress we will continue to work diligently to accomplish the above goal with the hopes of sharing our accomplishments with our CAC partners during an upcoming CAC meeting.

Community Resources

There will be a recreation and community resource event Saturday, February 10, 2024, from 10:00 am – 12:00 noon. It is designed to provide information about public agencies/community partners and recreation resources to parents of children with disabilities and special needs

Community Resource Fair English and Spanish 2024.pdf

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From our Directors

We want to express our appreciation for taking the time to read the Special Education Connections Newsletter. Your commitment to staying informed and engaged greatly contributes to our collective effort in nurturing your child's educational journey.

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