

## FALL 2016 Special Education Parent and Family Engagement Calendar of Events

### PATHWAYS TO COLLEGE, CAREER, AND LIFE SERIES

**9/28/16 -“Connecting with Community Resources”**

Panel of experts from ATCIC, ASCT, Arc of the Capital Area, DARS, Arc of Texas, and ACC STEPS on planning your child’s future. Useful materials, resources, and information.

9:30-11:30 a.m. –Travis HS

**10/24/16 -“Alternatives to Guardianship & Supported Decision Making”**

AISD/UT Free Law Clinic

6-9:00 p.m.-Clifton Career Development School

**12/2/16 -“Pathways to Adulthood”** Workshop for families targeting all major transition topics, such as funding and services, public school services, legal issues, medical transition and a creative approach to planning, home, work and networks of support.

An AISD sponsored free training with Texas Parent to Parent  
9-3:00 p.m.-ESC-Region 13

### PARENT LEADERSHIP & DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY

**Campus Parent Ambassador Program**-Large Group Trainings

All meetings at 9-10:30 a.m.-Allan Center, Room 108 unless noted with \*

**9/2/16 -“Connecting with your Campus, Confidentiality, & Upcoming Events”**

**10/7/16 - “Community Supports-ATCIC Speaker, SpEd TX, Region 13, Parent Forum”**

**The Whole Brain Child 6 Week Book Study** (English Only)

Pam Martin, SEL Parent Specialist

8-9:30 a.m.-Covington MS

**9/29, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27, 11/10**

### EDUCATION AND TRAINING SERIES ON INTELLECTUAL and DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (IDD)

**10/13/16 -“Working with Your Special Education Para-Professional”**-for Parents and Teachers

Peggy Wolf, Education Manager, DSACT

4:30-6:30 p.m.-Allan Center- Cafeteria

**11/10/16-“Connecting Learning for Students with IDD”**

Participants will receive a copy of the DSACT Educator Manual and review best practice tips for the classroom and home.

Peggy Wolf, Education Manager, DSACT

4:30-6:30 p.m.-Allan Center-Cafeteria

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9-10:30 a.m.-Covington MS

**9/7, 10/5, 11/2, 12/7**

**Special Education Parent Forum**

Interactive conversation circles to share your opinions and ideas with special education administration.

9-11:00 a.m.-Kealing MS

**10/22/16**

**ADHD Coaching Series**

Targeting Anderson HS Vertical Team

Dr. Ed. Gooze, Ph.D.

Time TBD-Host site-Pillow Elem

### CALL TO REGISTER:

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# SPRING 2017 Special Education Parent and Family Engagement Calendar of Events

## PATHWAYS TO COLLEGE, CAREER, AND LIFE SERIES

**1/26/17** -“Medicaid Waivers and Long Term Supports” Tips on access and use of Texas Medicaid Waivers for long term supports  
8:30-10:00-Lanier HS (PENDING)

**2/27/17 or 3/4/17** -“Destination to Life Transition Fair” For students with disabilities and their parents– helping prepare families for life beyond high school: job training, continuing education, living options and more! 75+ booths and presentations  
9-1:30 p.m.-Round Rock High School

**Spring Series on Self-Determination for Students and Parents**

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**1/13/17** -“First Responders Training, Transition for Life Fair”  
**3/3/17\*** - “Grade Advancement Session”  
**4/28/17** -“Preparing for your Child’s Future: An Intimate Conversation with AISD Transition Expert”

**From Emotions to Advocacy 5 Week Book Study** (English Only)  
Christianna Hale, LMSW, Certified Family Partner  
3-4:30 p.m.-Oak Springs  
**1/11, 1/25, 2/8, 2/22, 3/8 (PENDING DATES)**

**Special Education 101 for PPCD Parents/Guardians** (English Only)  
AISD/VELA partnership  
8-10:00 a.m.-Lucy Read  
**2/3, 2/10, 2/17, 2/24**

**The Whole Brain Child 6 Week Book Study** (Spanish Only)  
Elena Rodriguez, SEL Bilingual Parent Specialist  
8-9:30 a.m.  
Location TBD

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING SERIES ON INTELLECTUAL and DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (IDD)

**1/18/17** -“The IMPACT of Health and Wellness for Persons with Long Term Disabilities”  
Persons with disabilities can lead long, healthy, productive lives! Disability doesn’t mean inability. Join a candid discussion on how to improve the health and wellness of persons with disabilities.  
Rebecca Jurgensen, RN, Recreation Therapist, IDD Expert  
4:30-6:30 p.m.-Rosedale (PENDING)

**2/15/17** -“Literacy is an Expectation for All!” - (PENDING)  
Kris Patterson, IDD Expert, AISD Life Skills Specialist  
4:30-6:30 p.m.-Rosedale

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