

BUREAU OF EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATION AND STUDENT SERVICES

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Weekly Memo

Action Items

Notice of Proposed Rule

This rule revision is scheduled for the State Board of Education meeting on **September 23, 2020**. To view the following final proposed rule and submit comments, go to https://web02.fldoe.org/rules/:

 Rule <u>6A-1.0451</u>, Florida Administrative Code, Florida Education Finance Program Student Membership Surveys

Houston, We Have a Solution—New-Age Technical Assistance

The University of Florida (UF) Health Jacksonville Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) and Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System-Multidisciplinary Center (FDLRS-MDC) bring online consultations, direct family assistance, training, and social and support groups to families and agency providers and educational personnel in Baker, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau and St. Johns counties. These services, which begin on **September 9, 2020**, offer a convenient way to remain connected with your local CARD or FDLRS-MDC while you practice social distancing and adjust to this new time of online education. Our clinical team provides a wealth of knowledge and creativity that covers a variety of topics related to individuals living with autism spectrum disorder, learning disabilities and social emotional concerns, as well as, parent training and collaboration, educational planning, and transition services. To view specific details of these services, see the attached document. To get connected with the UF Health Jacksonville CARD and FDLRS-MDC, and for additional information about specific services available to you or your constituency, contact jeannie.potthast@jax.ufl.edu or <a href="mailto:mai

• Filename: UF Jacksonville CARD and FDLRS-MDC Fall 2020 Offerings

District Certification for 2018-19 School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting (SESIR), Discipline Referral Action Data and Verification of Compliance with Policy Prohibiting Bullying and Harassment Required by Section 1006.147, Florida Statutes

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) has issued the following memorandum regarding district certification for 2018-19 SESIR, discipline referral action data and verification of compliance with policy prohibiting bullying and harassment. Upon certification, the completed and signed two-page form must be submitted by **September 18, 2020**, per the instructions in the memo. The memorandum may be viewed at https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-8955/dps-2020-98a.pdf (Memo) and https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-8955/dps-2020-98a.pdf (Attachment A).

Fall 2020 Meeting for District Coordinators of Programs for Intellectual Disabilities (InD)

The ACCESS project is pleased to announce the fall 2020 meeting schedule for statewide regional meetings for district coordinators for InD. These meetings will be held virtually in **October 2020**. All participants must register. For more information and to register, see the attached document.

Filename: Fall InD Meetings Virtual

Informational Items

Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Endorsement Tuition Support Program

The ESE Endorsement Tuition Support Program provides financial assistance to ESE teachers who are teaching students identified as having autism spectrum disorder (ASD) or prekindergarten (PreK)/ESE in Florida public schools through a grant sponsored by the Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services at the FDOE. Please include the announcement of the ESE Endorsements Tuition Support Program in regional notices, listservs and newsletters for teachers. For more information and to download the application, go to https://florida-ese.org/tuition-support. For questions, contact Melanie Morales at Melanie.Morales@fiu.edu.

Teach Your Child to Read in 100 Easy Reading Lessons Paired with Visual Phonics

The Resource Materials and Technology Center for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing is pleased to announce, "Teach Your Child to Read in 100 Easy Reading Lessons Paired with Visual Phonics," a professional development opportunity. A prerequisite is that participants must have attended and completed a previous visual phonics training. In this half-day synchronous online training, participants will put to use their knowledge of visual phonics to implement the phonemic awareness and phonics instructional intervention program with students who are deaf or hard of hearing. Participants will take an in-depth look at the individual components and program considerations for students eligible for deaf/hard of hearing. For additional information and to register, go to http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=nozl6lfab&oeidk=a07eh93pd <a href="http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=nozl6lfab&oeidk=a07eh

American Founders' Month and Celebrate Freedom Week 2020

The FDOE has issued the following memorandum regarding American Founders' Month and Celebrate Freedom Week 2020. The memorandum may be viewed at https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-8956/dps-2020-78.pdf.

Specific Appropriations 8 and 92 – Library Media Allocation

The FDOE has issued the following memorandum regarding Specific Appropriations 8 and 92 – Library Media Allocation. The memorandum may be viewed at https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-8952/dps-2020-97.pdf (Memo) and https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-8953/dps-2020-97a.pdf (Attachment A).

Judith White Bureau Chief



UF Jacksonville CARD and FDLRS-MDC presents:

• <u>Content Open dialogue and Resources for Educators – CORE</u>

At the CORE of teaching is a true desire to see learners excel in their understanding of new information and reinforce existing knowledge. This desire comes from a HEART that is focused on the needs of the learner above all else. CORE is a series of lecture-style webinars aimed at providing succinct information for educational professionals in quick, 30-minute sessions. Parents can hop on a session too! Each topic poses a fresh take on an old worry: transitioning students back to school (Dusting off the Books); dealing with anxiety-related behaviors (Little Kids, Little Nerves/Big Kids, Big Nerves); and establishing control and consistency (Who Wears the Pants...or the Skirt?) are just a few of the topics being covered in the August and September editions of CORE. Register for just one, or register for them all! Either way, we are sure you are going to enjoy our unique take on learning in these informative, 30-minute segments. Listen while you snack, listen in a group, or while you multitask, Podcast style.

Webinar Title	Zoom Registration Link and Dates		
Little Kid, Little Nerves Big Kid, Big Nerves	September 16, 2020		
	Supplemental materials will be made available upon request after the session. One registration form will unlock each session.		

For specific questions about any of the sessions listed above, contact Marlena at marlena.jenkins@jax.ufl.edu.

Note: Participant registration is required to join our webinars. The entry password and session link will be sent once registration is approved.

- UF JAX CARD presents: Getting Ready for Middle School September 9, 2020,
 3:30 4:30 p.m. Presenter: Katrina Ressa, B.S. For registration questions, contact Katrina at katrina.ressa@jax.ufl.edu. Target audience: Newly enrolled middle school students and current 4th and 5th grade students. Registration is required at https://qrgo.page.link/PoQpW.
- Moving On To High School, a training offered on September 14, 2020, at 3:30 p.m. Target audience: current middle school students, recent high school students, and parents. Attendees will discuss the differences between Middle School and High School, review Academic Rigor and Expectations, and learn about differences in Social Expectations. To register, visit https://ufhjax.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcsdu6hrDMrHtKL5dFvlnVsB1b YCWEcVGVO. For questions, contact Anne at anne.wilson@jax.ufl.edu.
- UF Jacksonville CARD presents: Preparing for the Transition from High School to College – September 16, 2020, at 3:30 p.m. Presenter: Audrey Bringman, M.Ed. Target audience: current high school students, recent high school graduates, and young adults who

are in their first year in college. Objectives: Discuss physical/structural differences between High School and College; Review differences in Academic Changes and Expectations. Registration required at https://qrgo.page.link/oHFya.

- Parent Support Group *Special Edition*: Back to School Brainstorm September 16, 2020, 10 a.m. session and 4:30 p.m. session. Feel like this school year will be a version of a not so popular "Choose Your Own Adventure" book? Have questions about options or want to bounce ideas off of other parents and professionals? CARD and FDLRS-MDC are hosting two timely Parent Groups called, Back to School Brainstorm! During the meetings, we will share resources and ideas to help parents and caregivers start the 20-21 school year strong, and remain strong in the midst of a pandemic or other life-altering situation. Part 1 discussed educational options. Part 2 will dive deeper into establishing routines and communication with educational team members. To register for the morning Part 2 event, go to https://ufhjax.zoom.us/meeting/register/t]Mpd-GorzksGNDt1E1AbINNW6Seouuvxb8t. To register for the evening Part 2 event, go to https://ufhjax.zoom.us/meeting/register/t]wvfuuvrT8qHtGM iO5-09Da4XsUzttG53T. After registering you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the online event.
- Retro Diner Hour: Inquire about this monthly group meeting starting September 21, 2020.
 Adults with autism spectrum disorder will have the opportunity to engage in facilitated social conversations via Zoom. For additional information, contact Anne at anne.wilson@jax.ufl.edu.
- UF Jacksonville FDLRS-MDC presents: Digital Safety for Teens September 24, 2020, 3:30 4:30 p.m. Presenter: Audrey Bringman, M.Ed. Target audience: high school students and middle school students. Objectives: To discuss various social media platforms, learn about the importance of maintaining a positive digital footprint, and recognize potential dangers and consequences of posting and sharing information on social media. For questions, contact Audrey at audrey.bringman@jax.ufl.edu. Registration is required at https://qrgo.page.link/s7wRf.
- Sibshops-Sibstops offered by the UF Jacksonville CARD and FDLRS-MDC programs Monday, October 5, 2020, 3-4 p.m.; Wednesday, October 21, 2020, 3-4 p.m.; Monday, November 2, 2020, 3-4 p.m.; and Wednesday, November 18, 2020, 3-4 p.m. Audience: Kids ages 8-13, who have a sibling with a special need. When a child is diagnosed with a developmental disability, the entire family is affected. Sibshops are engaging and interactive workshops that offer support and guidance, while allowing siblings to share the challenges and celebrate the joys of having a brother or sister with a special need (e.g., cognitive, medical, developmental and/or learning disability). We have found that youth open up most about being a sib when they are comfortable, and reinforced for their honesty. For these reasons, Sibshops are a "kids only" zone. (Moms and dads, that means no peeking around the corner during Sibshop.) To register for this event, go to https://ufhjax.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIqcuuuqzsuE9YswbXOgou3ohh2ATGGZRvA. For more information contact Audrey at audrey.bringman@jax.ufl.edu.

Multi-Sensory Story Time

This service is designed for early-language learners ages 3-6 who would benefit from the opportunity to interact with others in home and school environments, through books, interactive activities and songs. CARD staff will utilize visual supports, pictures and movements. Students will engage with classic children's books, traditional songs and other preschool skills. This service will be offered at 3 p.m. every other Wednesday beginning September 16, 2020. Currently scheduled dates are: September 16 and 30, and October 14 and 28, 2020. To register, please visit https://qrgo.page.link/C9PVb. For additional questions, contact Katrina at katrina.ressa@jax.ufl.edu.

• Zoom Office Hours for family members, adult constituents, and educational or related service providers.

The staff of the UF Health Jacksonville Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) and Florida Diagnostic & Learning Resources System-Multidisciplinary Center (FDLRS-MDC) are happy to announce a new method of connecting with families and agency personnel in Baker, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau and St. Johns counties. Zoom Office Hours are a great way to touch base with a clinician; ask questions about our program or services; and troubleshoot concerns you have for yourself, or on behalf of your loved one diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder, dual-sensory impairment, social communication disorder or related disability, or other learning, behavioral or social-emotional disability.

You must join from the web browser at https://zoom.us/join and not the Zoom application, then enter the Clinician's Meeting ID.

Register to meet with a specific clinician or select any day/time that works for your schedule.

Clinician Zoom Schedules, Contact Information, and Connection Details

Clinician Name	Email Address	Zoom Meeting ID	Zoom Office Hours
Marlena Jenkins	marlena.jenkins@jax.ufl.edu	946 8603 9137	Wednesday 2-4 p.m.
Audrey Bringman	audrey.bringman@jax.ufl.edu	910 7434 0785	Wednesday 11 a.m12 p.m. Thursday 11 a.m12 p.m.
Gina Bauer	gina.bauer@jax.ufl.edu	978 8199 0383	Wednesday 3-5 p.m.
Katrina Ressa	katrina.ressa@jax.ufl.edu	993 4281 5821	Wednesday 9-10 a.m. Thursday 9-10 a.m.
Anne Wilson	anne.wilson@jax.ufl.edu	994 0007 0601	Monday 10-11 a.m. Wednesday 10-11 a.m.
Chanél Baldwin	chanel.baldwin@jax.ufl.edu	918 3392 2952	Monday 3-4 p.m. Thursday 3-4 p.m.

Instructions: Log into Zoom and enter the meeting ID for the meeting you wish to join. After completing the brief registration form, you will be admitted to the Waiting Room. When the clinician is available, they will admit you into the session and begin your appointment. Messages will be sent to those in the Waiting Room to update participants on the anticipated start time of their session.

The above-listed Zoom office hours are good through December 18, 2020

• UF Jacksonville CARD and FDLRS-MDC is offering a Parent Group: Building Relationships with Your Child

Do you struggle to communicate with your child in a way that does not end in arguing? Would you like to learn a better way to tell your child "no" or help them deal with the disappointment that comes with not getting their way? Establishing a strong emotional connection may be the key to a more positive relationship. Join us for this four-session Parent Group starting in October 2020, where we will unpack topics such as, labeling emotions, having difficult conversations with our children, telling your child "No," and listening to your child in a nonjudgmental way. Register on Zoom at https://UFHJax.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJItcO-hpz4oH9TGQxwKJE2OlrfguLCm1TC0. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the group. For questions, contact Marlena at marlena.jenkins@jax.ufl.edu. Sessions are held every other Monday at 5 p.m. beginning Monday, October 5, 2020. *Attendance at all sessions is encouraged.

- "Houston we have a solution!" UF Health FDLRS-MDC will be offering "Expedition Transition," a collaborative journey for students, families and school personnel. Transition assessments along with planning and consultative meetings will be scheduled with school personnel with the goal of assisting students and their educational teams with planning for the future. This service will begin late October 2020. To inquire or request specific information about this service, contact Marlena at marlena.jenkins@jax.ufl.edu.
- **Visual Supports Consultation:** The UF Health CARD is now offering individualized visual support consultative sessions. Appointments are used to plan and brainstorm the implementation of visual support to address adaptive functioning, behavior regulation and management, communication and conversation, and academic and organization needs. To schedule an appointment, contact Chanél at chanel.baldwin@jax.ufl.edu. Sessions are conducted both in person and through Zoom.
- Social Skills Groups: Thematic Social Skills Groups are offered on a rotating schedule for students, ages 6 years to adulthood. For information about our social skills groups, which include Adolescent Game Group and Kiddin' Around, which are game based, and Adolescent, Young Adults and Adults with Asperger Syndrome, which are problem solving and conversation based groups. For additional information, contact Gina at gina.bauer@jax.ufl.edu.
- Are you new to CARD services? If so, register for one of our informative orientation sessions that provides an overview of the statewide CARD program and accessing CARD services in the Baker, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau and St, Johns county areas. For information about accessing CARD services at the UF Health Jacksonville CARD, contact Chanél at chanel.baldwin@jax.ufl.edu.



MEMORANDUM

TO: District ESE Directors

District InD Coordinators

FROM: Christi Yu, Access Project Manager

SUBJECT: Fall 2020 Meeting for District Coordinators of Programs for Intellectual Disabilities

DATE: August 28, 2020

The Access Project is pleased to announce the Exceptional Student Education district office coordinators fall schedule for Intellectual Disabilities (InD). These meetings will include presentations by districts, review of new resources and inter-district planning.

Due to current travel restrictions and CDC recommendations, the fall InD meetings will be conducted virtually. Please use the links below to register.

Central Region InD (Orlando)

Date: Tuesday October 13, 2020

Time: 8:30 – 11:30 **Location:** Zoom

Registration: https://indmeetingcentralregion.eventbrite.com

West Region InD (Tampa)

Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2020

Time: 8:30 – 11:30 **Location:** Zoom

Registration: https://indmeetingwestregional.eventbrite.com

Panhandle Region InD (Tallahassee)

Date: Thursday, October 15, 2020

Time: 8:30 – 11:30 **Location:** Zoom

Link: https://indmeetingpanhandleregion.eventbrite.com

South Region InD (Ft. Lauderdale) **Date:** Wednesday, October 21, 2020

Time: 8:30 – 11:30 **Location:** Zoom

Link: https://indmeetingsouthregion.eventbrite.com

If you have any questions, please contact Christi Yu at $\underline{yu.christina@brevardschools.org}$ or Jeff Pruitt at $\underline{pruitt.jeff@brevardschools.org}$.