Weekly Memo

Action Items

Autism Navigator for Classroom Success in Prekindergarten through Second Grade Webinar Series
The Center for Autism and Related Disabilities is pleased to announce that registration is open for this six-week webinar series and the first webinar will be on October 26, 2022. All regular education and special education teachers, district-level personnel, speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, early interventionists, psychologists, behavior specialists, social workers, paraprofessionals, college students, and anyone else interested in learning about students with autism are encouraged to attend. While this webinar is designed as a companion to the Autism Navigator Classroom Success course, attendance in both is not required. Participants will learn about an evidence-based framework to prioritize goals using a lens of active engagement and a layer cake of teaching strategies to promote learning and positive behavior. To learn more this series and to register, go to https://autismnavigator.com/webinar-autism-navigator-for-classroom-success-in-prek-through-2nd-grade/, or see the attached document. For questions about the webinar series, contact support@autismnavigator.com.

- Filename: Classroom Success Flyer

Position Available in the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS) Panhandle Area Educational Consortium (PAEC) Associate Center
FDLRS PAEC, a discretionary project of the Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services (BEESS), is seeking a human resources development/technology specialist. FDLRS PAEC serves the districts of Bay, Calhoun, Franklin, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Liberty, Walton and Washington. The application deadline is October 27, 2022, or until filled. To view the full job description and apply, go to https://www.paec.org/site/teach_nwfl/paec_jobs/. For questions, contact Toyka Holden at Toyka.Holden@paec.org.

Position Available for Florida Inclusion Network (FIN) in the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS) Action Associate Center
FDLRS Action Associate Center, a discretionary project of BEESS, is seeking a FIN facilitator. The FIN facilitator will work in a regional capacity to serve the following districts: Brevard, Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, St. Lucie, and Volusia, with a primary focus on the FDLRS Action service area: Florida Virtual School, Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Sumter and UCP. The application
deadline is **November 4, 2022**. To view the full job description and apply, go to [https://teachers-ocps.icims.com/jobs/107731/resource-teacher---50307705/job](https://teachers-ocps.icims.com/jobs/107731/resource-teacher---50307705/job). To learn more about FIN, go to [https://www.floridainclusionnetwork.com/](https://www.floridainclusionnetwork.com/). For questions, contact Sam Davis at Sam.Davis@fdlrsaction.org.

### 2022 Florida Fall Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) District Contacts Meeting

The Florida DHH District Contacts Meeting will be on **November 9, 2022**, from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. EST, in Orlando as a pre-conference option of the Florida Summit on Childhood Deafness, which will be on **November 10-12, 2022**. This meeting is specifically for district contacts responsible for programs that serve students who are DHH. It is recommended that the district contact person for the DHH program or their designee attend this meeting. For more information on the Florida DHH District Contacts Meeting, go to [http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=nozl6lfab&oeidk=a07ejb5hx78094d4380](http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=nozl6lfab&oeidk=a07ejb5hx78094d4380). For more information on the Florida Summit on Childhood Deafness and to register, go to [https://www.fedhh.org/2022summit](https://www.fedhh.org/2022summit). For questions, contact Carmelina Hollingsworth at c.hollingsworth@rmtcdhh.org.

### Second Annual Diana McLendon Excellence in Teaching Award Opportunity

On behalf of all seven of the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) centers around Florida, the Florida State University CARD is proud to present the Diana McLendon Excellence in Teaching Award, to honor our colleague who lost her battle with leukemia in December 2019. Diana was the autism spectrum disorder (ASD) program coordinator for the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) and the liaison for the statewide CARD centers, Partnership for Effective Programs for Students with Autism (known as PEPSA), and Autism Navigator. We are presenting this award to honor Diana and her passion for students with ASD. The application deadline is **November 12, 2021**. To view and complete the application, go to [http://tiny.cc/dianamclendon](http://tiny.cc/dianamclendon). For more information, see the attached document.

-Filename: Diana McLendon Flyer for 2022-23

### The Institute for Small and Rural Districts (ISRD) Epilepsy Training for School Nurses

Florida law now requires training for staff who work with students with epilepsy. This virtual training, “Epilepsy and the New School Regulations,” will be on **November 15, 2022**. This training will meet the requirements of the new law and you will receive a certificate from the Florida Epilepsy Alliance. This training will cover the regulations for a seizure action plan, school policies and procedures, and meeting the needs of students during an episode. To register, go to [https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ejfw5t8q246a9680&oeidk=a07ejf5hx78094d4380](https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ejfw5t8q246a9680&oeidk=a07ejf5hx78094d4380). For questions, contact Chastity Lee, ISRD, at harleyk@nefec.org.

### 2022 Fall Regional Intellectual Disabilities (InD) Contacts Meetings

The Access Project is pleased to announce the fall meeting schedule for exceptional student education district office coordinators for intellectual disabilities programs. These meetings will be on **November 29 and 30 and December 1, 2022**, for the south, central and northwest regions, respectively, and will include presentations and interdistrict planning. Participants are expected to attend the meeting nearest their work location. All participants must register to attend. For more specific information and to register, see the attached flyer.

- Filename: InD Contacts Meeting 2022 Registration Information

### 25th Anniversary Family Café—Call for Presenters

The 25th Anniversary Family Café is scheduled for **June 9-11, 2023**, in Orlando, and is currently looking for presenters who are willing to share their knowledge about topics of interest to people with disabilities with attendees at the event. The more than 200 breakout sessions on each year’s
agenda form the backbone of the event, and the Family Café relies upon the knowledge and expertise of the many presenters to make the event a success. Presentation proposals are due by December 15, 2022. To access the Presentation Proposal Form, see the attached document or go to https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/25thAFCPPF.

- Filename: Family Cafe Presenter Form

Informational Items

Position Available in Student Support Services, BEESS

Student Support Services is seeking a secondary school counseling consultant for its office at the FDOE in Tallahassee. The secondary school counseling consultant is responsible for collaborating, communicating, disseminating information and providing leadership to school districts, other discretionary projects and the FDOE regarding effective school counseling practices and programs. The position is funded through the Student Support Services Project, a federal grant allocation funded through the University of South Florida. To view the complete job description and apply, go to http://sss.usf.edu/contact/positions_current/30957.html. For questions, contact Andrew Weatherill at Andrew.Weatherill@fldoe.org or 850-245-7851.

Victoria Gaitanis
Bureau Chief

For more information, contact
850-245-0475
Autism Navigator for Classroom Success in Pre-K through 2nd Grade

Calling all regular education and special education teachers, district-level personnel, speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, early interventionists, psychologists, behavior specialists, social workers, paraprofessionals, college students, and anyone else interested in learning about students with autism.

6-weeks Webinar Series Starts
Wednesday, October 26, 2022
4:00- 5:30 pm EST/ 3:00 – 4:30 pm CST

This webinar is a companion to Classroom Success course, but anyone interested can attend. Participants will learn about an evidence-based framework to prioritize goals using a lens of active engagement and a layer cake of teaching strategies to promote learning and positive behavior. To achieve the intensity needed and promote generalization for students with autism, the importance of teaching and learning across everyday classroom activities will be highlighted. Video examples and audience participation will be used to illustrate how to apply this model to both in-person and virtual classrooms, and to teach parents strategies to support their child’s learning in everyday activities at home.

Learn more about Classroom Success for PreK to 2nd Grade:
Apply to the:

**DIANA MCLENDON EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING MEMORIAL AWARD**

This award is being offered in the memory of Diana McLendon who lost her battle with Leukemia in December 2019. Diana was the Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Program Coordinator for the Department of Education, and the liaison for the statewide Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) centers, Partnership for Effective Programs for Students with Autism (PEPSA), and Autism Navigator.

As an applicant, tell us about yourself and answer questions that explain how you portray similar characteristics that are recognized by Diana McLendon’s family and colleagues.

Include Curriculum Vita/Resume
Include two letters of recommendation
(professional, family of student)

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE AWARD:**

- Be an educator teaching in Florida -- Any grade level
- Have at least one student with ASD in the 2022-2023 school year
- Have contact with regional CARD center

**Application Deadline:**
**November 7, 2022**

Winner for Rookie and Veteran Teachers Award Amount for each: $500

Teachers will be notified by 12/05/2022.

Complete your application by clicking the link below or scanning the QR code

http://tiny.cc/dianamclendon

Scan code to apply
Fall Intellectual Disabilities (InD) Contacts Meetings

Access Project is pleased to announce Fall InD contacts meetings for district coordinators. This event is designed to support the teaching and learning of access points in all environments.

There is no registration fee for this conference. District personnel will be reimbursed for travel expenses.

Please select the meeting nearest your work location and use the corresponding registration link. Meeting locations will be shared as soon as they are finalized.

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If you have any questions, please contact Christi Yu at yu.christina@brevardschools.org or Jeff Pruitt at Pruitt.jeff@brevardschools.org. 
Presentation Proposal Form
The 25th Anniversary Family Café
June 9-11, 2023

All professionals will be charged a registration fee of $250 unless they are either persons with disabilities or parents/guardians of persons with disabilities. Forms must be returned by December 15, 2022.

This form may also be completed online at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/25thAFCPPF

Primary Presenter
Name: ___________________________________________________________________________________

Professional Title: _________________________________________________________________________
Organization: _____________________________________________________________________________
Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________________________
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Voice: ________________________________________ __________________________________________
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Language of Presentation: English: ____ Spanish: ____ Bilingual: ____ Other: _________________

Lavaliere microphones will be ordered for speakers with accessibility needs only. Please advise if a lavalier microphone will be needed by calling (888) 309-CAFE.

Synopsis and Expertise: Please attach a brief description of your proposed presentation of approximately 75-100 words, written exactly as you would like it to appear in the official event program. In a separate paragraph, please briefly describe your expertise and/or experience with the topic of your proposed presentation, for consideration by The Family Café Planning Committee in its selection process.

If you do not receive a confirmation e-mail within one week of your submission, please send an e-mail to info@familycafe.net to confirm that we have received your submission.