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“All About Reading Mentoring” (AARM)



State Support Team Region 8 in conjunction with The Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities (OCECD) are offering free trainings to Parents/Grandparents of children with disabilities.

The “All About Reading Mentoring” (AARM) trainings are being offered at two locations. On May 8, 2017 the training is from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm in Community Room A at the Medina Library, 210 South Broadway Street, Medina, OH 44256. The May 9, 2017 training will

be held at the Summit Educational Service Center, 420 Washington Ave., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221 from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

The presenters are: Amy Freeman, OCECD’s Reading Mentoring Director and Debby Ambroza, OCECD’s Reading Mentoring Specialist. For further information on the Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities visit their website at: www.ocecd.org.

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All About Reading Mentoring” (AARM)

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Parents and Grandparents will:

- Learn about www.Readinga-z.com materials including Alphabet, Phonological Awareness, Phonics, High Frequency Words, Comprehension and Fluency/ Comprehension Packs.
- Be instructed on how to use the www.M4RA.org and www.Readinga-z.com web-sites.
- Be instructed how to find the correct Pack Level to work with their students.
- Be instructed how to make books, and how to use Tutoring & Mentoring Packs that correlate to the needs and pace of their student.
- Role Play a 30 minute mentoring session using their example of mentoring folder.



Parents/Grandparents of children with disabilities are invited to register for this free training by contacting Alice Doyle at 330 929-6634 extension 511232 or by emailing her at aliced@sst8.org.



Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities

Agency Spotlight

The Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities (OCECD) is a state-wide non-profit organization that serves families of infants, toddlers, children and youth with disabilities in Ohio; and educators and agencies who provide services to them. They provide services from birth to 26 years of age.

OCECD programs help parents become more informed and effective representatives for their children in all educational settings.

Their website is a wealth of information for parents. Below the list of tip sheets available for parents on their website:

[Communication Tips](#)
[Draft IEP Tips](#)
[Evaluation and Reevaluation Tips](#)
[IEP Goal Tips](#)
[IEP Progress Report Tips](#)
[IEP Signature Tips](#)
[Independent Educational Evaluation Tips](#)
[Postsecondary Transition Tips](#)
[Private Evaluation Tips](#)
[Related Services Tips](#)
[School Work Sample Tips](#)

[Publication Tips](#)

[Extended School Year](#)

[ESY by Disability Rights of Ohio](#)

[How Will I Know If My Child is Making Progress -](#)

[TA for Alliance for Parent Center](#)

[Informed Parental Consent - TA Alliance of Parent Centers](#)

[Ohio Discipline Action Flow Chart](#)

Also contained in this section are sample letters and other resources.

Another one of their programs is the Mentoring 4 Reading Achievement Program M4RA. It is a 1:1 reading mentoring program for students reading below grade level.

OCECD along with the Ohio Department of Education and the Office for Exceptional Children are involved with the Parent Mentor Program.

They are located at:
165 W. Center Street
Suite 302
Marion, OH 43302

<http://www.ocecd.org>

PAC Meeting for February

- **PAC Meeting February 15, 2017—Mental & Behavioral Health Agency Fair with Keynote Speaker on “Alphabet Soup” Mental Health Diagnosis: What it Does and Doesn’t Mean. 9:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Summit Educational Service Center.**



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