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Parent University Schedule



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ODLSS Vision

Prepare students with disabilities for postsecondary success by implementing equitable practices through the use of evidence-based practices and curricula, quality instruction, and equitable supports that focus on closing learning gaps in the least restrictive environment.

ODLSS Core Values

- Inclusion is emphasized, so all students are members of the general education classroom as a community.
- Special education instruction is based on individual student needs in order to create individualized education programs.
- A continuum of services is emphasized, so all students receive appropriate individualized services and gain access to grade level curriculum.
- Social-emotional and behavioral learning are critical skills for students to acquire and effectively apply in order to build positive, healthy relationships and promote their success in school and community.

Meet your Parent Involvement Specialist Team Office of Diverse Learner Supports and Services (ODLSS)



What we do

- Increase family involvement initiatives by supporting parents of students with disabilities;
- Establish relationships with existing parent involvement departments, initiatives, and local community agencies;
- Ensure that parents of students with disabilities are participants in those efforts;
- Provide and coordinate family-focused trainings to parents and District personnel;
- Create and guide the development and distribution of information to parents;
- Support parent participation in IEP/504 meetings.

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Conozca al Equipo de Especialistas en Participación de Padres
Oficina de Apoyos y Servicios a Estudiantes
con Necesidades Educativas Diversas



¿Qué hacemos?

- Aumentamos las iniciativas de participación de padres apoyando a los estudiantes con discapacidad;
- Establecemos relaciones con los departamentos existentes de participación de padres, iniciativas y agencias hermanas;
- Aseguramos que los padres de estudiantes con discapacidad participen de tales esfuerzos;
- Proveemos y facilitamos adiestramientos enfocados en la familia a padres y personal del Distrito;
- Creamos y guiamos el desarrollo y distribución de información a padres;
- Participamos como enlaces entre las familias y las escuelas durante reuniones de IEP/504.

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September 2019

Course Title: Student Specific Corrective Action

Course Description: In this workshop, ISBE will discuss the implementation of Student Specific Corrective Action, which is an element of ISBE’s Corrective Action Plan (CAP). The CAP is a result of the ISBE Public Inquiry regarding the 2016-17 and 2017-18 CPS school years.

Presenters: Illinois State Board of Education – ISBE Legal Department/ISBE Monitor, ODLSS Procedures & Standards

Morning Parent Universities

Session s	Date	Location	Address	Time
1	Wednesday September 11, 2019	Richards HS	1435 W. 50th St. Chicago, IL 60609	10:00 am- 11:30 am
2	Friday September 13, 2019	Cleveland ES	3121 W. Byron Street Chicago, IL 60618	10:00 am- 11:30 am
3	Tuesday September 24, 2019	Gwendolyn Brooks HS	250 E. 111th Street Chicago, IL 60628	10:00 am- 11:30 am
4	Thursday September 26, 2019	Bouchet ES	7355 S. Jeffery Chicago, IL 60649	10:00 am- 11:30 am
5	Friday September 27, 2019	Bogan HS	3939 W. 79th Street Chicago, IL 60652	10:00 am- 11:30 am

Evening Parent Universities

Sessions	Date	Location	Address	Time
6	Thursday September 19, 2019	Juarez Comm. Academy	1450 W. Cermak Chicago, IL 60608	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm

October 2019

Course Title: Tools to Navigate the Special Education Process: From Referral to Evaluation for IEP's & 504 Plans.

Course Description: Learn how your student can be referred for special education services including an IEP or 504 and how to navigate the evaluation process. You will also learn about your role and rights as a parent/guardian under state and federal law.

Presenters: Manager, Section 504 & Student Discipline & The ODLSS District Representative Team

Morning Parent Universities

Sessions	Date	Location	Address	Time
1	Wednesday October 9, 2019	Richards HS	1435 W. 50th St. Chicago, IL 60609	10:00 am- 11:30 am
2	Wednesday October 16, 2019	Juarez Comm. Academy	1450 W. Cermak Chicago, IL 60608	10:00 am- 11:30 am
3	Friday October 18, 2019	Bouchet ES	7355 S. Jeffery Chicago, IL 60649	10:00 am- 11:30 am
4	Wednesday October 23, 2019	Michele Clark HS	5101 W. Harrison Chicago, IL 60644	10:00 am- 11:30 am
5	Friday October 25, 2019	Cleveland ES	3121 W. Byron Street Chicago, IL 60618	10:00 am- 11:30 am

Evening Parent Universities

Sessions	Date	Location	Address	Time
6	Thursday October 17, 2019	Bogan HS	3939 W. 79th Street Chicago, IL 60649	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm
7	Wednesday October 30, 2019	Gwendolyn Brooks HS	250 E. 111th Street Chicago, IL 60628	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm

November 2019

Course Title: Self-Care: Learning to Care for Yourself While Caring for a Diverse Learner.

Course Description: Parents/caregivers often forget to take care of themselves until major health issues arise, or parents become unable to care for their diverse learners due to lack of self-care. We will share with parents/guardians self-care tips and strategies so that parents can care for themselves, while supporting their child(ren).

Presenters: The ODLSS Parent Involvement Specialist Team (PI Team) & Community Partners

Morning Parent Universities

Sessions	Date	Location	Address	Time
1	Tuesday November 5, 2019	Richards HS	1435 W. 50th St. Chicago, IL 60609	10:00 am- 11:30 am
2	Thursday November 7, 2019	Bouchet HS	7355 S. Jeffrey Chicago, IL 60649	10:00 am-11:30 am
3	Friday November 15, 2019	Bogan HS	3939 W. 79th Street Chicago, IL 60652	10:00 am- 11:30 am
4	Tuesday November 19, 2019	Gwendolyn Brooks HS	250 E. 111th Street Chicago, IL 60628	10:00 am- 11:30 am

Evening Parent Universities

Sessions	Date	Location	Address	Time
5	Wednesday November 6, 2019	Juarez Comm. Academy	1450 W. Cermak Chicago, IL 60608	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm
6	Wednesday November 20, 2019	Michele Clark HS	5101 W. Harrison Chicago, IL 60644	6:00 pm-7:30 pm
7	Thursday November 21, 2019	Cleveland ES	3121 W. Byron Street Chicago, IL 60618	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm

December 2019



January 2020

Course Title: Sources Used to Measure Student Progress

Course Description: In this course, you will learn about different types of data used to measure student progress and the difference between quantitative and qualitative data.

Presenters: ODLSS District Representative Team

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Session s	Date	Location	Address	Time
1	Wednesday January 8, 2020	Richards HS	1435 W. 50th St. Chicago, IL 60609	10:00 am- 11:30 am
2	Wednesday January 15, 2020	Juarez Comm. Academy	1450 W. Cermak Chicago, IL 60608	10:00 am- 11:30 am
3	Friday January 17, 2020	Bouchet ES	7355 S. Jeffery Chicago, IL 60649	10:00 am- 11:30 am
4	Wednesday January 22, 2020	Michele Clark HS	5101 W. Harrison Chicago, IL 60644	10:00 am- 11:30 am
5	Friday January 24, 2020	Cleveland ES	3121 W. Byron Street Chicago, IL 60618	10:00 am- 11:30 am

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Sessions	Date	Location	Address	Time
6	Thursday January 16, 2020	Bogan HS	3939 W. 79th Street Chicago, IL 60652	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm
7	Wednesday January 29, 2020	Gwendolyn Brooks HS	250 E. 111th Street Chicago, IL 60628	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm

February 2020

Course Title: Transition - What's Next?

Course Description: Parents often wonder what happens to their young adults after they leave CPS, or after the age of 22. The bigger question is, “what options are available?” This training will help parents understand the “new world” of the Department of Human Services, the role of your local Individual Service Coordination Agency (ISC), PUNS, and an introduction to the different waiver programs in the state of Illinois.

Presenters: The ODLSS Parent Involvement Specialist Team, The Arc of Illinois, and the ODLSS Transition Team

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1	Wednesday February 5, 2020	Richards HS	1435 W. 50th St. Chicago, IL 60609	10:00 am- 11:30 am
2	Thursday February 13, 2020	Bouchet ES	7355 S. Jeffery Chicago, IL 60649	10:00 am- 11:30 am
3	Friday February 14, 2020	Bogan HS	3939 W. 79th Street Chicago, IL 60652	10:00 am- 11:30 am
4	Tuesday February 25, 2020	Gwendolyn Brooks HS	250 E. 111th Street Chicago, IL 60628	10:00 am- 11:30 am

Evening Parent Universities

Sessions	Date	Location	Address	Time
5	Wednesday February 12, 2020	Juarez Comm. Academy	1450 W. Cermak Chicago, IL 60608	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm
6	Wednesday February 19, 2020	Michele Clark HS	5101 W. Harrison Chicago, IL 60644	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm
7	Thursday February 20, 2020	Cleveland ES	3121 W. Byron Street Chicago, IL 60618	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm

March 2020

Course Title: Understanding your Rights During the IEP Process

Course Description: This workshop will allow parents/attendees to understand laws that protect students with disabilities to access Special Education Services in the school system. This session will cover:

- Laws that protect students with disabilities, IDEA and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- 6 Core Principles of Special Education Law (IDEA)
- Cycle of Special Education
- IEP/504
- Skill in Advocacy
- What to do when parents and schools disagree under IDEA/504 Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Presenters: Family Resource Center on Disabilities (FRCD)

Morning Parent Universities

Session s	Date	Location	Address	Time
1	Wednesday March 4, 2020	Richards HS	1435 W. 50th St. Chicago, IL 60609	10:00 am- 11:30 am
2	Wednesday March 11, 2020	Juarez Comm. Academy	1450 W. Cermak Chicago, IL 60608	10:00 am- 11:30 am
3	Friday March 13, 2020	Bouchet ES	7355 S. Jeffery Chicago, IL 60649	10:00 am- 11:30 am
4	Wednesday March 18, 2020	Michele Clark HS	5101 W. Harrison Chicago, IL 60644	10:00 am- 11:30 am
5	Friday March 20, 2020	Cleveland ES	3121 W. Byron Street Chicago, IL 60618	10:00 am- 11:30 am

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Sessions	Date	Location	Address	Time
6	Wednesday March 25, 2020	Gwendolyn Brooks HS	250 E. 111th Street Chicago, IL 60628	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm
7	Thursday March 26, 2020	Bogan HS	3939 W. 79th Street Chicago, IL 60652	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm

April 2020

Course Title: Summer Planning for Diverse Learner Families.

Course Description: In this course, parents will receive support with summer planning. You will receive information on choosing a summer camp and how to implement summer learning at home. Parents will walk away with a wealth of planning resources, tips and options.

Presenters: ODLSS Special Education Administrators (SEA's), ODLSS District Representatives, and the ODLSS Parent Involvement Specialist Team

Morning Parent Universities

Session s	Date	Location	Address	Time
1	Wednesday April 1, 2020	Richards HS	1435 W. 50th St. Chicago, IL 60609	10:00 am- 11:30 am
2	Thursday April 16, 2020	Bouchet ES	7355 S. Jeffery Chicago, IL 60649	10:00 am- 11:30 am
3	Friday April 24, 2020	Bogan HS	3939 W. 79th Street Chicago, IL 60652	10:00 am- 11:30 am
4	Tuesday April 28, 2020	Gwendolyn Brooks HS	250 E. 111th Street Chicago, IL 60628	10:00 am- 11:30 am

Evening Parent Universities

Sessions	Date	Location	Address	Time
5	Wednesday April 15, 2020	Juarez Comm. Academy	1450 W. Cermak Chicago, IL 60608	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm
6	Wednesday April 29, 2020	Michele Clark HS	5101 W. Harrison Chicago, IL 60644	6:00pm- 7:30 pm
7	Thursday April 30, 2020	Cleveland ES	3121 W. Byron Street Chicago, IL 60618	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm

May 2020

Course Title: Looking Ahead...Parent/Guardian/Teacher Partnership Strategies for your Child’s New School Year/Managing Behaviors At Home

Course Description: In this course, families will have an opportunity to reflect on their child’s past school year and determine what went well, and what could be improved upon. Was behavior an issue for your diverse learner student? How about communication with the school team? You will receive strategies and tips to initiate and maintain open lines of communication with teachers and staff in the new year and how to manage behaviors at home to support your students success in the new year.

Presenters: The ODLSS Parent Involvement Specialist Team (PI Team), ODLSS, Specialized Behavioral Support & Strategy

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Session s	Date	Location	Address	Time
1	Wednesday May 6, 2020	Richards HS	1435 W. 50th St. Chicago, IL 60609	10:00 am- 11:30 am
2	Wednesday May 13, 2020	Juarez Comm. Academy	1450 W. Cermak Chicago, IL 60608	10:00 am- 11:30 am
3	Friday May 15, 2020	Bouchet ES	7355 S. Jeffery Chicago, IL 60649	10:00 am- 11:30 am
4	Wednesday May 20, 2020	Michele Clark HS	5101 W. Harrison Chicago, IL 60644	10:00 am- 11:30 am
5	Friday May 22, 2020	Cleveland ES	3121 W. Byron Street Chicago, IL 60618	10:00 am- 11:30 am

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Sessions	Date	Location	Address	Time
6	Wednesday May 27, 2020	Gwendolyn Brooks HS	250 E. 111th Street Chicago, IL 60628	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm
7	Thursday May 28, 2020	Bogan HS	3939 W. 79th Street Chicago, IL 60652	6:00 pm- 7:30 pm

