

# Delaware County Parent Workshops



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Meeting locations will be displayed on the T.V. monitors at the building entrances.

## 2009-2010 Fall/Winter

Schedule of:

### Parent Workshops and Delaware County Right to Education Task Force Workshops

All workshops are free of charge.

To attend, register on line or by calling  
(610) 938.9000 ext. 2130.

*The public is invited and encouraged to attend.*

**Tuesday, September 15, 2009 – 6:00-8:00 P.M.**

Delaware County Local Right to Education Task Force Parent Workshop  
DCIU – 200 Yale Avenue, Morton, PA 1970

***“Top Ten Things to Know about an IEP”***

**Presenter(s) Ruth Payne-DCIU Professional Development Specialist**

As part of this presentation, attendees will learn their rights as a parent. We will highlight the importance of the parents input into the IEP process, include parents as equal partners in the IEP team, learn to recognize acronyms and their definitions as well as other important issues relative to the IEP process.

**Thursday, October 8, 2009 – 9:45-11:15 A.M.**

DCIU – 200 Yale Avenue, Morton, PA 19070

***“Preschool Literacy”***

**Presenter(s) Linda Barbato/Lisa Glavin-DCIU Professional Development Specialists**

This workshop is designed for parents and their preschool-aged children ages 3-5. Participants will engage in activities to promote early literacy development including reading aloud, beginning literacy skills, and oral language. Activities will be modeled for parents with an opportunity for them to practice with their child. Parents are asked to bring their preschool child, ages 3-5. (One (1) child per/parent please.)

**Thursday, October 22, 2009 – 6:00-8:00 P.M.**

DCIU – 200 Yale Avenue, Morton, PA 19070

***“Paired Reading”***

**Presenter(s) Linda Barbato/Lisa Glavin-DCIU Professional Development Specialists**

This workshop is designed for parents and their children in kindergarten-3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Paired reading is a technique that guides parents in reading with their child and supporting their child’s early literacy development. The paired reading technique will be modeled for parents with an opportunity for parents to practice with their child. Parents are asked to bring their K-3 child with them. (One (1) child per/parent please.)

**Wednesday, November 4, 2009 – 6:00-8:00 P.M.**

Sabold Elementary School – 468 East Thomson Avenue, Springfield, PA 19064

***“Supporting Children with ADHD in the Home and School”***

**Presenter(s) Becky Millspaugh-DCIU Professional Development Specialist**

Do you have a child who is struggling with symptoms of AD/HD or has been diagnosed with AD/HD? Studies suggest that many of the traits of ADHD can actually be gifts: powerful imagination, searching insight and unusual intuition! Find out how to use your child’s strengths to help improve and accommodate organization, academic and social situations in the home. Walk away with tips for communicating and supporting your child with school.

**A Parent’s Guide to ADD**, written by a cohort of parents from the CHADD organization will be distributed free of charge to all participants.

**Tuesday, November 10, 2009 (NOTE DATE CHANGE) – 6:00-8:00 P.M.**

DCIU – 200 Yale Avenue, Morton, PA 19070

***“Financial Planning for Your Child with Special Needs”***

**Presenter(s) Bruce H. Sham, CLF, Special Needs Planner, First Financial Group**

This workshop will discuss important strategies parents can use to ensure that their child with special needs has the financial foundation for a secure, comfortable and meaningful life. Specific topics to be discussed include: special needs estate planning, nine (9) steps to comprehensive planning, and funding a special needs trust.

**Tuesday, December 1, 2009 – 6:00-8:00 P.M.**

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DCIU – 200 Yale Avenue, Morton, PA 19070

***“Extended School Year”***

**Presenter(s) Ruth Payne-DCIU Professional Development Specialist**

This workshop will provide parents with knowledge of the decision-making process with regard to Extended School Year (ESY) including, but not limited to, the timelines associated with ESY, the law and the BEC (Basic Education Circular) which will be distributed and discussed.

**Monday, January 11, 2010 (NOTE DATE CHANGE) – 6:00-8:00 P.M.**

DCIU – 200 Yale Avenue, Morton, PA 19070

***“Math Strategies for Struggling Learners”***

**Presenter(s): Andi Wallach, DCIU Professional Development Specialist**

Is your child struggling in math? Or do *you* struggle to know how to help? This session will focus on techniques to help your child experience greater success in math class and with math homework. Participants are asked to bring a calculator, if available.

**Wednesday, January 20, 2010 – 6:00-8:00 P.M.**

Ridley Community Center, Folsom, PA 19033

***“Supplementary Aids and Services”***

**Presenter(s) Ruth Payne-DCIU Professional Development Specialist**

This workshop will introduce the SaS consideration toolkit as a method to analyze the instructional, physical, and social environment of a general education classroom from the perspective of an individual student with special needs. The intended outcome of using this tool is a list of methods, materials, practices, and physical characteristics of the general education classroom that will enhance participation and learning for a student with a disability. While not intended for every student with an IEP, the tool provides an important framework for understanding inclusive practices in general and aids in decision-making relative to placement and support services needed for success.