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Greetings from Associate Superintendent of Special Education Trinell Bowman

SECAC Meeting October 26, 2021



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Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan

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<https://www.pgcps.org/reconnect-pgcps/safe-return-to-in-person-instruction-and-continuity-of-services-plan>

Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan



Special Education Vacancies

If your school is impacted by a vacancy for a special education teacher, speech-language pathologist, or other related service provider position the school will:

- Notify the parent/guardian of the vacancy and providing an explanation of what supports and services will be put in place to allow the student to receive benefit from his/her program.
- Work in collaboration with Human Resources partner to fill vacancies. The Department of Special Education will also work closely in screening of potential candidates.
- Attempt to secure a long-term substitute teacher to ensure that students continue to receive services.

Special Education Vacancies

In accordance with PGCPS policies and procedures, if a student is impacted by a special education teacher or provider vacancy the school will also complete the following actions:

- Schedule an IEP team meeting quarterly to determine whether a student is adversely impacted by a vacancy.
- The IEP team should consider progress reports, work samples, results on state and district-wide assessments, reports from teachers, and parent input when determining educational impact.
- The team may also consider administering updated assessments and comparing the results to determine whether or not the student has been adversely impacted.



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Who Do I Contact?



SY 2021-2022 Resolution Team Contact List

Problem	Resolution	Contact Information
Parent has questions regarding student's placement, program, and/or the Individualized Education	<p>Contact the Office of K-12 Instruction to contact the appropriate supervisor</p> <p>Camille Johnson, Coordinating Supervisor for Instruction</p> <p>Tameka Wright, Elementary Instructional Supervisor</p> <p>Toni Brooks, Secondary Instructional Supervisor</p> <p>Jennifer Brown, Instructional Supervisor, Special Programs</p>	<p>301-702-2890</p> <p>Camille.johnson@pgcps.org</p> <p>Tameka.hinton@pgcps.org</p> <p>Toni2.brooks@pgcps.org</p> <p>Jennifer3.brown@pgcps.org</p>

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Fall Mini Conference in November

**ACTION! EFFECTIVE TRANSITION PRACTICES
CAPTURED IN DOCUMENTARY FILM**

FILMMAKER DAN HABIB

Dan Habib will screen and discuss some of his four new short films documenting the experiences of youth with disabilities transitioning from high school to career and/or higher education.

**SUGGESTED AUDIENCE: PARENTS,
CAREGIVERS, TRANSITIONING
YOUNG ADULTS, TEACHERS, AND
COMMUNITY PROVIDERS**

**TO REGISTER
BY PHONE CALL:
301.431.5675**

**NOVEMBER
6, 2021
ZOOM ROOM
TIME: 10:00
A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
REGISTER TODAY!**

Support Groups for Parents

PARENT WELLNESS SUPPORT GROUP



This group will provide parents with support, tools, strategies, and resources. Our goal is to help parents "refuel" while lowering their levels of stress, frustration, and anxiety. Parents will learn to support their own mental well-being as well as that of their family members.

Session 1 - 10/21/2021 - It's Okay to Feel & Embrace Your Emotions
Session 2 - 11/18/2021 - Know Your Values & Maximize Your Strengths
Session 3 - 12/09/2021 - Harness Your Energy & Refuel Your Tank
Session 4 - 01/13/2022 - Set Intentions, Stay Centered & Focused
Session 5 - 02/10/2022 - You Matter: Life Hacks for Taking Care of You
Session 6 - March 2022 - ***Parent Empowerment Conference
Session 7 - 04/07/2022 - You Are Enough: Setting Realistic Expectations
Session 8 - 05/12/2022 - Reflecting On the Journey & Counting Your Wins
Session 9 - 06/09/2022 - Summer Fun

To Register:

<https://tinyurl.com/FSCMWELL>

SUPPORT GROUP SUPPORTING BEHAVIOR CHANGE

Session 1 - 10/28/2021 - Overview of support group and ABA
Session 2 - 11/18/2021 - Basics of Behavior
Session 3 - 12/16/2021 - Prevention/Antecedent Strategies
Session 4 - 01/21/2022 - Positive Reinforcement
Session 5 - 02/24/2022 - Consequences
Session 6 - 03/24/2022 - Compliance
Session 7 - 04/21/2022 - Functional Communication
Session 8 - 05/26/2022 - Task Analysis and Chaining
Session 9 - 06/09/2022 - Prompting/Generalization/Maintenance

To Register:

<https://tinyurl.com/FSCBEH>



Department of Special Education
Family Support Center



Empowering Parents Series

Support Sessions for Parents of Students Who Are Deaf/Hard of Hearing

Tuesdays 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. EST

Join the Zoom sessions:

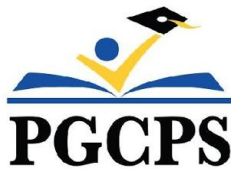
<https://tinyurl.com/DHHSUPP>

For more information, contact myamada@pgcps.org

Monthly Topics 2021-2022

Nov 30	Family Communication
Dec 21	Student Centered Individualized Education Plans
Jan 25	Social & Emotional Development
Feb 22	Fostering Independence
Mar 29	Transition
April 26	Managing School Environments
May 31	What's New in Hearing Assistive Technology?

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