

Paso del Norte Children's Development Center



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Leadership Academy for Families *Understanding ADD & ADHD*

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*When: Fridays for 7 weeks
September 2-October 7, 2011
Time: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Place: Paso del Norte Children's Development Center
1101 E. Schuster Ave.
El Paso, TX 79902*



Paso del Norte Children's Development Center & Texas Technology Access Program Sponsor: The Fourth Annual Technology and Health Fair 2011

This event involves the whole community in creating awareness for anyone that may be able to benefit from technology, and promote universal design. Come and learn about the different types of technology and how these may help you or someone you know. We encourage parents, therapists

(SLPs, OTs, PTs, persons with special needs, Special Ed. Teachers, students, and all members of the community that are interested in learning more about technology! You will have an opportunity to check your glucose and blood pressure, get a massage and more. Some of the vendors and Agencies that will participate are:

TexHelp, Enable Mart, ProxTalker, Freedom Scientific, El Paso Del Norte Youth Leadership, D.A.R.S., Western Technical College and Volar CIL and more.
Saturday, September 17, 2011
Time: Open from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Location: Paso del Norte CDC
1101 e. Schuster Ave.
El Paso, TX 79902



TX Hands & Voices/ Guide By Your Side

Is a family support group that provides an unbiased support to families with children who are hard of hearing or deaf. This is a unique and free support service that comes from someone who has walked this path and can share from direct experiences and wisdom. The goal of the support group is to help families cope with their child's diagnosis and provide information to get them started and on the right track. For more information, please email Ana Rivera at arivera@txgbys.org or Debbie Kopp at dkopp@txgbys.org



Parent Support Group for Dads

Join us for a support group meeting for father's only on Thursday September 15, 2011 from 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at Paso del Norte Children's Development Center 1101 E. Schuster Ave. El Paso, TX. Come and meet other dads of children with special needs. Fathers play an important role in the lives of their children and need to know that they are not alone. Dads are very important too! To RSVP or for more information please contact Norma Perez at (915) 544-8484 ext. 192



Parent's Night Out

Friday September 9, 2011

We will be providing free childcare for children with special needs on Friday, September 9, 2011 from 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. at El Papatote Inclusive Child Development Center (1101 E. Schuster Ave.) Go out and have fun or run errands, while your children play and meet other children in a safe environment.

Cost for siblings: \$10.00 Please call us to RSVP Norma Perez or Gilda Lopez at 544-8484



Autism Society of El Paso Upcoming Events

- ◆ Back-to-School Bowling Party: Saturday, September 3, 2011 from 10-12 at Bowl El Paso located at 11144 Pellicano Dr. Space is limited so please rsvp to (915) 772-9100 or send an e-mail (swasa@sbcglobal.net)
- ◆ 2nd Annual Autism Symposium "Building Independence" Saturday, September 24, 2011 from 8-1 at 1340 Murchison. There will be local speakers, registration information will soon be available.
- ◆ Father's Support Group: Thursday, September 29, 2011 from 6-8 p.m. at Region 19 located at 6611 Boeing. Space is limited please RSVP to (915) 588-2559 or to snilloc4844@yahoo.com

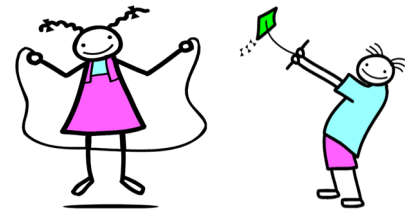
Monthly meetings will resume in October. Please make note that the meeting days have changed. Meetings will now be held the SECOND Tuesday of every month. Next meeting will be held Tuesday October 11, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at 1340 Murchison

KETOGENIC DIET FOR SEIZURE CONTROL SUPPORT GROUP

The Keto diet is a high fat, adequate protein, and low carbohydrate diet that modifies the energy source of the body from glucose to fats and produces ketones in the blood which is theorized to penetrate the brain and stabilize seizure activity. The Ketogenic Diet must be implemented under a doctor's supervision. Two thirds of the children on the diet have seizure improvement. Come learn from other parents that have successfully implemented this diet.

Meetings will be held every other month.
Next meeting will be held in October...

Call us to get more information at (915) 544-8484 and ask for Norma Perez or Gilda Lopez



If you have been looking for a support group for parents who have children diagnosed with Attention Deficit Disorder & Hyperactivity, we have good news for you...

The Children's Disabilities Information Coalition (CDIC) will be starting an ADD/ADHD Parent Support Group in July. Parents are invited to attend their first meeting on

Friday September 9, 2011
Time: 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
at Paso del Norte Children's Development Center
1101 E. Schuster Ave.

Free childcare for child with special needs. For more information or to RSVP call 217-2747

MORE COMMUNITY EVENTS

Leadership Academy for Families

Are you interested in doing the best you can for your child with special needs or disabilities? Would you like to know your rights and the rights of your child when you attend a special education meeting? Would you like to learn which social service agencies or programs might be able to help your child with special needs? We will answer these questions and more...

When: Monday and Wednesday for 7 weeks

August 29-October 12, 2011

Time: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Place: Paso del Norte Children's Development Center

1101 E. Schuster Ave.

El Paso, TX 79902

For more information call Isabel de Rubiera at (915) 544-8484 ext. 195

Attention Deficit Disorder Conference

October 1, 2011

8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

El Paso Community College

Administrative Center-Auditorium

9050 Viscount-Building "A"

El Paso, TX 79925

Registration form will be available soon...

For more information call (915) 544-8484 ext. 192

Topics: ADD or Inattention?, ADD Techniques To Help, AD/HD and Dyslexia, Special Education Accommodations, Girls & Boys Learning Differences.



The El Paso chapter-Arc Del Paso-invites you to help build a better future for people with I/DD in El Paso. You can do this by becoming a member of the Arc and by participating in the next general meeting.

The meeting will be on:

Saturday, September 24, 2011

Time: 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Place: Paso del Norte Children's Development Center

1101 E. Schuster Ave.

We will have a guest speaker from the Arc of Texas, Ms. Amy Mizcles (a native el Pasoan), to discuss state and federal budget cuts affecting our loved ones. Childcare will be provided for all children-those with special needs are warmly welcomed. In order to provide enough snacks, please RSVP at arcelpaso@yahoo.com or call 544-8484 x 192.

Support Group Meetings

Mentes Brillantes (Spanish Support Group)

Next meeting **September 30, 2011 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** Call 544-8484 for more information.

Autism Society of El Paso-Meetings the second Tuesday of every month. Call Sonia Stephenson at 772-9100.

Support Group for persons with Down

Syndrome—for meeting times and dates contact Josefina Muñoz at 590-5315 or Ana Fuentes at 760-8793

Miracle Kids Support Group-Meetings every Friday from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. at the Center Against Family Violence at 580 Giles. Contact Alejandra Melendez at 858-0298 for info.

Support Group for Biomedical Interventions-

Spanish support group for parents of children with ADHD, PDD, Asperger, Fragil X, Autism, or any other person interested in learning about Biomedical interventions (diets and vitamin supplements).

Meeting-September 13, 2011 from 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. For info. nfdett567 contact Angelica Bonilla at 881-4950 or Yvonne Neria (915) 252-3884

Down Syndrome Association of El Paso –

Support group to provide educational information and support for families and friends of individuals with Down Syndrome. For information contact Diana Reyes at (915)490-3337 or Jose Reyes at (915) 490-1566

SPD Support- an International Host of Network of parents and professionals who provide support, information and resources in their own communities to anyone living with Sensory Processing Disorder, or anyone wanting to learn more about SPD. We meet every third Wednesday of the Month at 6:30 p.m. at ECI (Early Childhood Intervention) 1477 Lomaland E-7. For more info. call 256-7783 or e-mail renatetx@att.net Website: www.spdsupport.org

Autism Community Network of El Paso

Meetings last Tuesday of each month. Contact David Taylor at (915) 422-1358

www.autismcommunitynetworkofelpaso.org

Rolling with Friends-Advocacy group of young adults with disabilities who have the desire to make a difference in their community despite the challenges they face. Many have gone to college and others are working towards their degrees. For more info. contact Norma Perez 915-544-8484

St. Pius X Special Needs Group— support group for individuals with special needs with the mission to improve the quality of life for individuals with special needs. For information on programs and meetings visit: www.stpiusxspecialneedsgroup.com

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Assistive Technology... Why is it important?

Assistive technology increases a student's opportunities for education, social interactions, and potential for meaningful employment. It also supports a student's participation in learning experiences in the least restrictive environment. Assistive technology is a tool to help the student benefit from the general education curriculum, and access extracurricular activities in home, school, and work environments. In addition:

___ A child's need for assistive

technology must be determined on a case-by-case basis and could be special education, related services or supplementary aids and services for children with disabilities who are educated in the least restrictive environment.

___ A district must provide a device for use at home if necessary for FAPE. Decisions regarding the use of the assistive technology device or service in other settings outside school must be made on an individual basis.

___ A school may access alternative funding sources to defray costs of assistive technology devices and services. Schools may not compel parents to file an insurance claim and may not condition provision of equipment or services on filing or approval of a claim. Parents may request their child to be evaluated for assistive technology during the child's ARD. If you want to learn more about Assistive Technology please visit our Assistive Technology Demonstration Center at 1101 E. Schuster Ave.

