



September Parent Workshops

Exceptional Children's Services (ECS) will be conducting parent workshops throughout the year and below are the offerings for September. All workshops will be held at Rivers Elementary, 461 Sandy Creek Road, unless otherwise noted. Workshops are free and registration is recommended. Light refreshments will be served. Please register to Allison Stevenson, Parent Mentor at stevenson.allison@mail.fcboe.org or leave a message at 770-460-3911 ext. 239 (office) or 770-668-6314 (cell).

9/2/10 at 9:00am - *The ABCs of IEPs*

This workshop will include presentations on how to participate in your child's IEP, student participation in the IEP and promoting self-advocacy, procedural safeguards (or parents' rights), and ECS terminology. Special guest will be Rosie Gwin, General Curriculum Coordinator of ECS. Please register by 8/31/10.

9/9/10 at 6:00pm - *Reading Rocks - Reading Strategies for Home*

This parent-focused workshop is a hands-on, strategy-filled workshop designed to help parents work with their children at home with reading tasks. We will be demonstrating easy-to-do activities that make reading more concrete and manipulative. Parents will leave with multiple resources, excellent ideas, and even a few hand-made materials that can be used immediately. Hope to see you there! Guest presenters will be Sheila Autrey and Diane Kurbes, Reading Support Teachers. Please register by 9/3/10 so that we can prepare enough materials.

9/14/10 at 7:00pm at the Exceptional Ops monthly meeting - *IEPs 101*

This workshop will be somewhat of a repeat of the ABCs of IEPs. In addition to learning about IEPs, parents will also be able to learn more about Exceptional Ops and their efforts on behalf of children and adults with developmental disabilities in Fayette County. Go to the Exceptional Ops website for directions www.ExceptionalOPS.com or call Janet Smola 770-631-1035.

9/23/10 at 6:00 PM - *Math Manipulative at Home*

Come and enjoy a fun night of Math Play! This session will provide parents with hands-on strategies to help their children retain Math facts and understand Math concepts through the Concrete-Representational-Abstract (CRA) method. The CRA method helps students solve math problems by first using objects, then drawings, and finally being able to solve math problems in their head. The intended audience is parents of K-6th graders as well as struggling 7th & 8th graders in ECS and adapted curriculum students. Guest presenter will be Nathalie Roark, Math Instructional Support Teacher for ECS. Please Register by 9/21/10.