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ISRC Digital Update

Illinois Service Resource Center

Serving Deaf and Hard of Hearing student behavioral needs

A Technical Assistance Center of the Illinois State Board of Education

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1. Upcoming Events:

~Conferences for Parents of Children with Hearing Loss:

- South of Seventy March 20, 2010 Mt. Vernon For information about South of Seventy Conferences call toll-free: 1-877-339-2686 (V/TTY) or on line, go to: http://morgan.k12.il.us/isd/outreach_events.html

- Resources and Inspirations Family Conference May 1, 2010 Springfield. For more information contact Mary Smith at STARNET mk-smith@wiu.edu <<mailto:mk-smith@wiu.edu>>

- Parent Institute at the Illinois School for the Deaf. June 13-18, 2010. It's free! In fact to offset the cost of travel and missed work, a scholarship of \$50 a day for each day of attendance is provided. This incredible opportunity offers parents and their children, age birth to 5 with bilateral moderate to severe/profound hearing loss, to spend 5 days completely free of charge with experts in the field of deafness from all over the state. The professionals' job is to provide information help make decisions along the journey of raising a child with a hearing loss. The DHH child will receive audiological, psychological, speech – language, vision, and educational evaluations free of charge! Room and board is also included. Please pass this information onto all of the parents you serve with children in this age bracket. For information in English select here <http://internet.dsccl.uic.edu/forms/pibrochure.pdf>
For information in Spanish select here http://internet.dsccl.uic.edu/forms/pibrochure_sp.pdf

~The 46th annual ITHI conference will be held in Springfield, Illinois on March 5th and 6th, 2010. The theme of the conference is "Tipping Point: Your Aha Moment." It is important for educators to identify not only their students' tipping points but also their

own, whether it be a lesson in the classroom, working one on one with a student, or a personal experience that help our students achieve success. We look forward to seeing you in March! Click

<http://www.ithi.org/content/view/18/43/>

to access the 2010 Conference page for conference and registration information. Also, please remember to share your "Aha Moments" on the forum page under ITHI Business. These will be incorporated into the 2010 conference.

~ EHDI (Early Hearing Detection & Intervention) Day - Friday, April 9, 2010. Program begins at 2:30pm. Reception will follow at Marcello's Father and Son Restaurant: 645 W. North Avenue Chicago, IL 60610. Free parking is available on site. RSVP to Karen Aguilar: 866.733.8729 (voice) or E-mail: choicesforparents@yahoo.com <<mailto:choicesforparents@yahoo.com>>
Sign Language Interpreters provided.

~Western Suburbs Deaf Coffee Chat

When: Last Tuesday of every month

Where: Caribou Coffee 2879 W 95th Street Naperville Suite 147

Time: 7:30 – 10:00 PM

Who: Deaf persons, teachers, students, parents I invite you all to come and chat with us in ASL!!!

Come and practice your ASL skills. Grab a cup of coffee, pull up a chair and sign in conversation with friends! It will be so much fun! Questions? Contact Maureen at: moschultze@comcast.net <<mailto:moschultze@comcast.net>>

2. Digital Update Reader Recommended sites: Thanks to Sue Walter for her contribution.

The Parent Educational Advocacy Training Center (PEATC) is pleased to announce the development of an Individualized Education Program (IEP) Checklist application for the iPhone and iTouch. This new IEP app helps parents of students with special needs become better-informed advocates by making IEP information easier to access. The IEP app is offered free of charge in both English and Spanish. To download the IEP Checklist app, visit the Apple iTunes store, and type IEP Checklist in the search box.

<http://www.php.com/free-iep-checklist-application-iphone>

3. For information, strategies, and resources designed to support a variety of learning styles visit <http://www.studygs.net/>

There is an extensive variety of graphic organizers, games, and more geared to help students with studying and learning. There is a lot of useful information so check out the list of sub-categories: time management, problem solving, learning, learning with others, online learning, thinking, studying, classroom participation, reading, research, project management, test preparation, test taking, writing basics and types, vocabulary, spelling, digital resources, math, science, technology, as well as learner-centric games and exercises. Tap into these resources today and visit often.

4. New from the Center for Accessible Technology in Sign (CATS) MySignCaptionLink allows a person to use the MySignLink dictionary while watching captioned videos on the internet. You can watch any streaming video from the Captioned Media program and other sites like NOVA <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/> or StoryLine <http://www.storylineonline.net/> online and look up signs for words in the captions. Go to www.cats.gatech.edu <<http://www.cats.gatech.edu/>>

5. NDVH (National Domestic Violence Hotline) www.ndvh.org <<http://www.ndvh.org/>>

The hotline advocates provide support and assistance to anyone involved in a domestic violence situation, including those in same-sex relationships, male survivors, those with disabilities and immigrant victims of domestic violence. All calls to the National Domestic Violence Hotline are anonymous and confidential. Services: crisis intervention, safety planning, information about domestic violence and referrals to local service providers, direct connection to domestic violence resources available in the caller's area provided by a Hotline advocate, assistance in both English and Spanish with Hotline advocates having access to more than 170 different languages through interpreter services, assistance through e-mail; and informational materials on such topics as domestic violence, sexual assault, battering intervention and prevention programs, working through the criminal justice system and related issues. For more information specific to what the organization does and how it can benefit you and your Deaf/Hard of Hearing/Deaf-Blind students visit

<http://www.ndvh.org/get-educated/deaf-deaf-blind-and-hard-of-hearing-outreach/>
PLEASE forward this to everyone you know who works with Deaf/Hard of

Hearing/Deaf-Blind students. If you or your organization needs more information please e-mail: deafhelp@ndvh.org
<<mailto:deafhelp@ndvh.org>>

6. In our Library: Creative Therapy for Children with Autism, ADD, and Asperger's by Janet Tubbs (book)

Summary: This powerful teaching tool to help parents, therapists, and teachers work with their children. The author introduces and explains her novel approach to teaching. She also provides a wide variety of exercises, activities, and games designed to reduce hyperactivity, and increase and prolong focus.

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