

## **Down Syndrome Education Series**

Where - UNO Community Engagement Center, Room 231, reserved parking in LOT E

All sessions are FREE to attend. Please register via our website, <u>www.dsamidlands.org</u>, on our events calendar.

- \*Childcare is not provided.
- \*When the speaker allows, the session will be audio recorded and available for playback on our website.

## 2018 Schedule

January 16th, Speaker - Dixie Trevarthen, Technology Consultant

Topic - "Assistive Technology - From pencil grippers to iPads, learn how assistive technology can support students in the classroom and at home."

Educator Session - 4-6PM Parent Session - 6:30 - 8:30PM

**February 20th**, Speaker - Dr. Brian Herndon, Parent, Educator, Advocate **Educator Session 4-6PM** 

Topic - "FAPE, LRE, IEP, FBA, BIP...It's all so confusing! What's my role in all of this? How can I make sure my students get what's best for them?"

Parent Session 6:30 - 8:30PM

Topic - "Inclusion and Least Restrictive Environment: How to make sure your IEP team talks about the issues that matter to you!"

March 20th, Natalie Hale, Founder - Special Reads for Special Needs Topic - "WHOLE CHILD READING: Go in Through the Heart and Teach to the Brain"

Educator Session 4-6PM Parent Session 6:30-8:30PM

April 17th, Elizabeth Schroeder, Occupational Therapist Children's Mercy Kansas City
Topic - "Feeding Difficulties in Children with Down Syndrome"
6:30 - 8:30PM, open to all

May 15th, William J. Warzak, Ph.D., BCBA-D, Munroe-Meyer Institute

Topic - "Toilet Training Success"

6:30 - 8:30PM, open to all



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June 12th, Rob Snow, Parent, Advocate, Motivational Speaker
Topic- "Minimize the Mountain: Managing Through Life's Biggest Challenges"
6:30 - 8:30PM, open to all

July 17th, <u>PRESENTATION HELD AT CRCC</u>, Children's Respite Care Center 5321 South 138th Street

Topic - "How to Manage Problem Behaviors" **6:30 - 8:30PM, open to all** 

August 7th, Make & Take Night
Topic - About Me Books & Communication Journals
Reserved for parents

**September 18th**, Amy Allison, Executive Director Down Syndrome Guild of Greater Kansas City **Educator Session 4-6PM** 

"Down Syndrome 101 for Educators - Gain a better understanding of how the diagnosis of Down syndrome affects learning and how you can best support your student"

Parent Session 6:30 - 8:30PM

"Transition to Adulthood: Surviving the Turbulent Teen Years"

**October 16th**, Marcus Sikora, Self-Advocate, Author & Mardra Sikora, Parent, Advocate, Author Down Syndrome Awareness Month

6:30 - 8:30PM, open to all

November 13th, Pediatric Therapy Center
Topic - "Addressing Sensory Issues"

Educator Session 4-6PM

Parent Session 6:30 - 8:30PM

December 13th, Make & Take Night Topic - TBD Reserved for parents