Exceptional Children Information for Parents



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Seeking Input from Families about Inclusive Technology

The Center for Applied Special Technology (<u>CAST</u>) is a nonprofit education research and development organization that created the <u>Universal Design for Learning</u> framework and <u>UDL Guidelines</u>, now used the world over to make learning more inclusive.

CAST researchers, as part of the <u>Center on Inclusive Technology</u> and <u>Education Systems (CITES) project</u>, in collaboration with research intern Angel Morgan from North Carolina State University are conducting a study about ways in which school district leaders, school leaders, teachers, and service providers involve families of students with disabilities in planning, implementing, and using technology.

You are invited to participate in a survey to share your thoughts. Survey participants may enter to win a \$50 Amazon gift card and volunteer to participate in a Focus Group to provide more detailed feedback. For more information and a link to the survey, visit https://bit.ly/3L6j8Hp.

Important Links

- <u>Centers for Disease Control and</u> Prevention
- U.S. Department of Education
- N.C. Department of Health & Human Services
 - Strong Schools NC Public Health
 Toolkit (K-12)
- N.C. Department of Public Instruction
 - <u>Lighting Our Way Forward</u> (<u>Summary</u>)
- No Kid Hungry
- NCDPI-COVID-19 Responses & Resources

Upcoming Events

- Arc of the Triangle Events
- Autism Society Workshops
- Autism Speaks <u>Information Topics</u>
- CADRE Parent Resources
- ECAC <u>Events</u> & <u>Recorded Webinars</u>
- National Alliance on Mental Illness Courses
- NC Down Syndrome Alliance <u>Events</u>
- Special Olympics NC <u>Events</u>

Do you have an upcoming event you'd like to share with the community? Please email with information.

You can find previous newsletters in the Parent Newsletter google folder at this link: https://tinyurl.com/ECParentNewsletters

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