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AIM Center Offers Accessible Materials for Students with Disabilities

The Accessible Instruction Materials (AIM) Center provides textbooks and other educational items to Oklahoma students who are unable to use standard materials, as well as children receiving SoonerStart services. Located in the Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped in Oklahoma City, the AIM Center provides large print, Braille, and other accessible formats, as well as specialized educational aids and developmental toys. The AIM Center lends the items to students for as long they are needed during the school year. To request an item, contact the AIM Center at (405) 522-0523 or 1-800-523-0288. You also can visit www.library.state.ok.us/aim for more information and to get request forms.



New Curriculum Supports Teachers of Students with Autism



The Center on Secondary Education for Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder (CSESA) at the Frank Porter Graham Child Development Institute has designed a flexible curriculum for school districts to support professional development for teachers. "Understanding Autism Professional Development Curriculum" provides middle and high school teachers with foundational knowledge and evidence-based strategies that support students with autism. It includes two 75-minute presentations, as well as videos and handouts, which are available at: fpg.unc.edu/news/pioneering-curriculum-supports-teachers-students-autism.

2014 KIDS COUNT Data Book Available Online

The 25th edition of the Annie E. Casey Foundation's signature KIDS Count Data book was recently released. Using an index of 16 indicators, the [2014 KIDS COUNT Data Book](#) ranks states on overall child well-being and in four domains: (1) economic well-being, (2) education, (3) health, and (4) family and community. The report also examines trends since 1990 and highlights policies and practices that have improved child health and development over the years. View and download the document at: www.aecf.org/resources/the-2014-kids-count-data-book/.



Spanish-Language Website and Video Series for Parents

PACER Center now offers a website in Spanish for parents of children with disabilities. The website features an original five-part video series called "Entendiendo Conductas Desafiantes" ("Understanding Challenging Behaviors"), along with PACER resources that have been translated into Spanish. Visit www.pacer.org/es/ to access the website.

Learn & Lead

Vision

All people with disabilities and their families are valued participants in community life.

Mission

Partners making a positive difference in the lives of people with disabilities and their families through learning and leadership.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Aug. 23:** Therapeutic Use of the iPad in the Classroom and Home, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
Hosted by the Down Syndrome Association of Central Oklahoma
Reed Center, 5800 Will Rogers Rd., Midwest City, OK
Visit www.dsaco.org to register.
- Aug. 26:** DHS Policy and Practice Lecture: The Offender with Mental Disabilities
Oklahoma History Center, 800 Nazih Zuhdi Dr., Oklahoma City
Visit www.okdhs.org/ppls to register.
- Sept. 11:** Oklahoma Parents Center training: Positive Behavior Supports
Autism Center of Tulsa, 6585 S. Yale Ave., Suite 410, Tulsa, OK
Visit autismtulsa.org or call (918) 373-6097 for more information.
- Sept. 12:** The Art of Caring for Children with Special Needs Conference
Children's Center Rehabilitation Hospital, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
6800 N.W. 39th Expressway, Bethany, OK
Registration information will be posted at: www.ouhsc.edu/thecenter
- Sept. 16:** On the Road Family Perspective Conference, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Carl Albert College, 1507 S. McKenna St., Poteau, OK
Visit <https://soonersuccesspoteauotr.eventbrite.com> to register.
- Oct. 2-3:** 15th Annual Chronic Illness and Disability Conference
Available in person and via live broadcast
More information available at: www.baylorcme.org
- Oct. 9-12:** National Self-Advocates Becoming Empowered (SABE) Conference
Renaissance Hotel and Cox Convention Center, Oklahoma City, OK
Visit muconf.missouri.edu/sabe2014 for more information.
Early bird registration rate ends August 15.

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