

HUNE NEWSLETTER WINTER 2021

What's happening this Winter!

HUNE Youth Group (HYP) are busy learning about budgets and finances. HYP is currently meeting virtually. There is still spots available. For more information, email: hypmanager@huneinc.org. Building the community park continues in the spring, you still have time to volunteer! For more information, send an email to hypmanager@huneinc.org.



Special Education Advocacy Certificate

Our **Spanish** Special Education Parent Advocate Certificate Program teaches parents about the education process and empowers them to better advocate for their child begins on January 25, 2021. Mondays from 2 pm- 3 pm. *Must attend at least 5 sessions to receive a certificate.*



Sessions in Spanish:

January 25th- IDEA and Advocacy
February 1st- Evaluations and Acronyms

February 8th- IEPs and Special Education process
February 15th- Behavior and Special education
February 22nd- Youth transition planning
March 1st- Youth Transition planning
March 8th- Due process

Hispanic Outreach Project: In Spanish Only. 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 2 pm- 3 pm

January 20th Special Guest: Tanya Alvarado, Esq.

February 3 Early Intervention/Preparing for Kindergarten

February 17 Youth Transition/ After High School

March 17 What is a Specially Designed Instruction? What is Progress?

Free webinars are available for support groups and community agencies, contact LLittle@huneinc.org for more information.

Andy's Cafe

Free Bilingual support group for families. Wednesdays from 12-1 pm. twice a month.

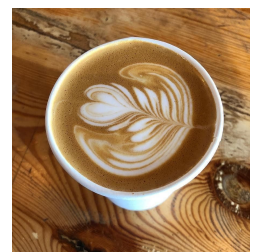
Jan. 27th Money Smart

Feb. 10th Immigration Help

Feb 24th Technology Help with TechOwl

March 10th Healthy Eating with Get Fit Philly

March 24th Life after High School



F2Max Families to the Max: (215) 595-5866

ODP guidance for services included in Individual Support Plans (ISPs) that are effective through June 30, 2021 for individuals enrolled in the Consolidated, Community Living, Person/Family Directed Support (P/FDS) or Adult Autism Waiver.

<https://www.paproviders.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/ODPANN-21-006-COV-19-Guidance-for-ISPs-Through-6.30.21.pdf>

Philadelphia school district to open regional centers for the office of specialized services. Six locations throughout the city will be available to conduct assessments needed to complete special education evaluations and reevaluations.

<https://www.philasd.org/blog/2021/01/13/district-to-open-specialized-services-regional-centers-for-students-with-special-needs/?fbclid=IwAR2wb1c3IARU38kXEeP55sF1dZhUEaP4ixCYDI9-epD-RVn8wFPqDZ6kO80>

Quick Tips

If you have a child starting Kindergarten in September 2021 and who currently receives preschool early intervention services, please see our newest quick tip for parents at:
<https://youtu.be/3QSIlhPX2eQ>

Advice and Resources for Families

Truancy and COVID

If your child is struggling with virtual attendance, having problems with the internet access or their computer equipment, we suggest you communicate with your child's teacher, school or special education team to avoid possible truancy issues.

More information can be found at:

PaTTAN/HUNE ABC video:

<https://www.huneinc.org/abc-videos-eng-span>

Webinar on **Truancy and COVID in Spanish** co-hosted by Education Law Center, PA Families to the Max Network, PA Family Alliance, HUNE, and Peal Center will be on **Feb 4 at 7pm**. Visit Hune for more information.

A recording of the **English version** of the webinar on Truancy and COVID can be found at: <https://youtu.be/A-Ky2mpsgJE>

ELC Truancy Fact Sheet:
<https://www.elc-pa.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/Truancy-and-School-Attendance-FAQs.pdf>

School Attendance Improvement Plan Form: <https://bit.ly/2zkAqS2>

Act 138:
<https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/li/uconsCheck.cfm?yr=2016&sessInd=0&act=138>

PA School Reopening Plan
<https://www.education.pa.gov/Schools/safe-schools/emergencyplanning/COVID-19/SchoolReopeningGuidance/ReopeningPreKto12/CreatingEquitableSchoolSystems/Focus>

[EffectiveInstruction/Assessment/Pages/Attendance.aspx](#)

HUNE will be participating in Pennsylvania Department of Education Conference (PDE) 2021. The PDE Conference registration begins mid-January. Attendance is free. Great conference for parents to virtually meet and greet For more information, visit: <https://www.pattan.net/Training/Conferences/Pennsylvania-Department-of-Education-Conference>

Wearing a Mask Social Story

<https://paautism.org/resource/wearing-mask-social-story/>

To view more information about HUNE:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v9EP5rHme60#action=share>

or visit: www.huneinc.org

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