



**State Support Team - Region 8's Parent Access Collaborative (PAC)
offers FREE WORKSHOPS for families of students with disabilities and Parent Mentors!**

All meetings require an RSVP – lunch is provided for all registered participants (except Field Trip). To register, please call Alice Doyle at 330 929-6634, x. 511232 or email at AliceD@sst8.org. **Dates, times, and topics are subject to change.** Flyers will be sent out prior to each meeting with more details.

Date	Time	Topic	Speaker
September 27, 2017	9:30 am – 1:30 pm	SST8 – ODE Updates and Effective Communication (Parent-Teacher Partnership): SST8 staff will share the latest information from ODE including: ESSA updates, HB 410, 2017-18 Graduation Requirement changes, Alternate Assessment updates and more.	Jenine Sansosti – SST8 Director Helen Brophy – SST8 Consultant/ Transition Specialist Kathryn Vuchak – SST8 Consultant
October 25, 2017	9:30 am – 1:30 pm	Executive Functioning: <i>The Dog DIDN'T Eat My Homework</i>: Gain some familiarity with executive function skills that help the brain organize and act on information, including self-regulation, and how to support difficulties at home and in school.	Wendy Szakacs – Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence (OCALI) Tracy Mail – SST8 Consultant
November 15, 2017 *Field Trip Location TBD	9:30 am – 1:30 pm	Weaver Industries: Their mission is to maximize the independence and personal fulfillment of individuals with disabilities through vocational training and employment opportunities.	Denise Balko – Weaver Industries
February 14, 2018	9:30 am – 1:30 pm	Recreational Opportunities: Come hear from a variety of providers who offer recreational programming for persons with special needs and disabilities.	Speakers from: All Star Training Club, Buddy Up Tennis, Camp Huddle, Empower Sports, Solon Blue Ribbon Programming, and Special Olympics of Ohio
April 18, 2018	9:30 am – 1:30 pm	What's New in Ohio? In this open forum you will learn about legislative issues, waivers, changes and updates in DD and Medicaid services, and anything else you wanted to know or ask.	Gary Tonks - Executive Director of Arc of Ohio

*All meetings (*except the November Field Trip) will be held at the Summit Educational Service Center: 420 Washington Ave, Cuyahoga Falls OH*

Questions? Please contact SST8's PAC Consultant Marianne Lesko (PAC@sst8.org), 330-929-6634, x. 513927