

February/March 2019



**Partners  
for Success**

The Resource Center at Point Pleasant  
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## Partners *for* Success Informational Workshops

<b>Advocating for Your Child</b>	Tuesday, February 12	Glen Burnie Library	6 – 7 pm
	Wednesday, February 19	Linthicum Library	6 – 7 pm
	Monday, March 18	Glen Burnie Library	7 – 8 pm
	Monday, March 25	Eastport-Annapolis Library	12 - 1 pm

### **School Success for the Anxious Student**

Thursday, February 14	Glen Burnie Library	12 – 1 pm
Thursday, February 28	Broadneck Library	7 - 8 pm
Wednesday, March 20	Maryland City Library	7 - 8 pm

### **Transitioning to Middle School**

Tuesday, March 12	Brooklyn Park ES	5:30 – 7 pm
Tuesday, March 19	Glen Burnie Library	12 – 1 pm

### **Your Parent-Teacher Conference, Special Education Focus**

Wednesday, February 20	Odenton Library	12 – 1 pm
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### **Understanding the IEP Process**

Thursday, February 28	Odenton Library	7 – 8 pm
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### **Meet the Partners for Success, Discuss Your Concerns**

Thursday, March 7	Maryland City Library	12 -1-pm
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Please RSVP at [partnersforsuccess@aacps.org](mailto:partnersforsuccess@aacps.org)

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## What is Partners *for* Success?

Partners *for* Success is a collaborative effort between AACPS and MSDE to ensure parents are informed, active participants in their child's education. Our team assists parents with strategies to feel acknowledged, heard and respected.

### **Chesapeake, Northeast, North County, Old Mill High School Feeders**

Aretha Perry [Aeperry1@aacps.org](mailto:Aeperry1@aacps.org) Renée Williams Scott [Rwilliamsscott@aacps.org](mailto:Rwilliamsscott@aacps.org)

### **Annapolis, Glen Burnie, Broadneck, Severna Park High School Feeders**

Leanne Carmona [Lcarmona@aacps.org](mailto:Lcarmona@aacps.org) Estefania Holler [EHoller@aacps.org](mailto:EHoller@aacps.org)

### **Arundel, Meade, South River, Southern High School Feeders**

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# PFS Spotlight

We are delighted to welcome our newest member of the Team, Estefania “Stef” Holler. Stef is well-traveled, having lived all over the world since the age of three. She has lived in Peru, El Salvador, Honduras, and Panama. Since coming to Anne Arundel County, she has been involved in the Parent Teacher Association, serving as Vice President, and later as President. Stef states, “my desire is to help parents navigate the system. I want parents to feel that they aren't alone in the process, and that they can be their own advocate.” As a Special Education parent herself, Estefania Holler is bringing her unique voice and perspective in helping other parents better understand the Special Education process; and ultimately helping children and families succeed.

## Helpful Organizations

**GiGi’s Playhouse.** Down Syndrome Achievement Center  
[www.gigisplayhouse.org](http://www.gigisplayhouse.org)

**Kennedy Krieger:** Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD) [www.kennedykriegercard.evetnsbrite.com](http://www.kennedykriegercard.evetnsbrite.com)

**Kinera Foundation** [www.kinera.org](http://www.kinera.org)

**National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)**  
[www.namiaeac.org](http://www.namiaeac.org)

**Parents' Place of Maryland** [www.ppmmd.org](http://www.ppmmd.org)

**RISE for Autism** [www.riseforautism.com](http://www.riseforautism.com)

**Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee**  
[www.aasecac.org](http://www.aasecac.org)

**Special Olympics Maryland, Anne Arundel County**  
[www.soaand.org](http://www.soaand.org)

**Talk About Curing Autism (TACA)**  
[www.tacanow.org/localchapter/northeast/maryland](http://www.tacanow.org/localchapter/northeast/maryland)

**Children and Adults with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorders (CHADD) of AA County**  
[drcarolrobbins@gmail.com](mailto:drcarolrobbins@gmail.com)

**Center of Help** [www.centerofhelp.org](http://www.centerofhelp.org)

# Happenings

**Strategies for Supporting Children with Dyslexia**  
with Megan McGowan  
**February 7, 2019 6:30-8:30 pm**

**Navigate Social Cues and Peer Relationships**  
with Maisha Gillins, PHD & Lorenzo Hughes, PHD  
**March 14, 2019 6:30-8:00 pm**

*Board of Education Building,  
2644 Riva Road, Annapolis, MD*

Sponsored by Anne Arundel Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee (AA-SECAC)  
<http://www.aasecac.org/meetings-events>

**Social Skills Groups: Strategies and Resources for Parents and Professionals**  
with Jen Horton, LCSW-C

**March 27, 2019**  
**11:30 - 12:30 pm**  
*3rd Floor, Creamer Building  
3901 Greenspring Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21211*

Sponsored by Kennedy Krieger Institute’s Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD)

<https://www.kennedykrieger.org/classes-events/card-social-skills-groups-review-strategies-and-resources-parents-and-professionals>