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PACER's Mapping Dreams: Transition to Adulthood

Presented by: Amy Freeman & Tammie Sebastian

March 14, 2023 from 4:00 – 5:30 pm (ET)

Program description: This training introduces families to concepts of transition planning. The training provides strategies for what parents and youth can do to help plan for the student's transition from high school to adult employment, postsecondary education or training, and independent living.

Guest speakers:

Amy Freeman is the Statewide Transition Program Director and 1:1 Reading Mentoring Program Director for OCECD. She provides both transition training/support and reading mentoring training/support to families, schools, and organizations statewide. Amy is also the lead for ODE's *Reading Tips for Families* website. Amy holds an M.Ed. in special education. She was the former director of Project MORE, and has over 40 years' experience working as a teacher, workshop director, behavior specialist, superintendent, statewide preschool reviewer, and DD consultant. Amy's youngest brother had Down Syndrome and was the inspiration for her life's work.

Tammie Sebastian is the Statewide Program Coordinator for the Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities (OCECD). Prior to joining OCECD, she provided information, training, and support for parents in Cuyahoga County and was an advocate for the Tapestry System of Care. Her focus was the Juvenile Justice System and helping families obtain an evaluation for their child to ensure the child was receiving needed services. Tammie is the parent of two daughters, one who is challenged with AD/HD and one who is diagnosed with autism, generalized anxiety disorder, and sensory processing disorder.

Learning Objective: Participants will learn strategies to help them plan for the student's transition from high school to adult employment, postsecondary education, or training and independent living.

Target Audience: Parents, students, educators, related services providers, and agency personnel

Registration Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OCDBEmappingMar14>

Contact Hours: 1 contact hour upon completion of session evaluation

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