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## YOU ARE INVITED!

### 2024 Annual OCDBE Parent Retreat

April 26 (6:00 pm) to April 28 (Noon)

Deer Creek State Park Lodge, Mt. Sterling, Ohio

All parents who have a child with deafblindness, ages birth to 22 years, who is registered with the Ohio Center for Deafblind Education, are invited to this annual, **no-cost** weekend. Lodging, meals, and materials are provided. Stipends are available to assist with childcare expenses. You are invited to come and network with other parents during this informative and relaxing weekend.

#### **Friday Evening, April 26**

Registration, Welcome, Dinner

#### **Saturday, April 27**

**Every Family Has a Story: Unleash the Power of Your Personal Story**, presented by *Kimberly Christensen*.

Kim will share her family story, *The Stories We've Lived*, as well as provide an engaging, hands-on workshop for families to develop personal experience stories that can be used in a variety of ways such as sharing information, inspiring change, charting a vision, promoting advocacy efforts, and fostering policy change.

#### **Transition Planning for a Good Life**

Family consultants from the Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities (OCECD) will present information and questions that will allow families to take a more personal look at preparing their child/children for the many transitions he/she/they will experience, starting with their early years and extending to preparation for graduation and postsecondary success.

#### **Sunday, April 28**

**Every Family Has a Story** (continued)

Register by **March 15, 2024** at: [https://uceducation.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_1AmEliOQOBiUi7s](https://uceducation.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1AmEliOQOBiUi7s)

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