Gwinnett County Public Schools Department of Special Education & Psychological Services "Parent Mentors Present" Family Learning Series:
Living in the Now, While Preparing for the Future

**Gwinnett County Parent Mentors Present is informational sessions, designed for families of children with disabilities.
The purpose of the meetings is to encourage learning at home, build collaboration with schools,
and connect families to community resources.**

Date:	Topic:	Presenter:
08/22/24	Starting the School Year on a Positive Note	Dawn Albanese – Parent Mentor
09/24/24	Understanding Your Child as a Learner	Kathryn Hanson – Coordinator of Psychological Services
10/17/24	Supporting Your Child as a Learner	Instructional Coach(es)
11/12/24	Navigating the Holidays and Avoiding Caretaker Fatigue	Dawn Albanese – Parent Mentor
12/3/24	Behavior Strategies to Help Parents	Behavior Support Specialists
01/16/25	Understanding Post-Secondary Outcomes and How it Connects to the Transition Plan in the IEP	Tamra King – Transition Coordinator and Lisa Divers – Transition Coach
02/27/25	Preparing for the Annual GCPS Transition Fair	Tamra King – Transition Coordinator and Lisa Divers – Transition Coach
03/11/25	Planning for an Engaging Summer Break	Dawn Albanese – Parent Mentor
04/22/25	Locating and Understanding resources within the Community	Dawn Albanese – Parent Mentor
05/08/25	Self-Determination – What is it and How can I Support my Child?	Lisa Divers - Transition Coach

**Two sessions are offered per topic and families can select one session to attend:
In-Person- 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. OR Zoom- 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.**

Information regarding location and the links to register will be sent to local schools in advance of each monthly meeting.
Meetings are subject to change and notices will be sent accordingly.

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Interpretation services available upon request. Please make request at least a week in advance of the scheduled meeting date. Spanish Interpretation is already secured