



**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](mailto: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	<b>SST8 – ODE Updates and Effective Communication (Parent-Teacher Partnership):</b> SST8 staff will share the latest information from ODE including: ESSA updates, HB 410, 2017-18 Graduation Requirement changes, Alternate Assessment updates and more.	<b>Jenine Sansosti</b> – SST8 Director <b>Helen Brophy</b> – SST8 Consultant/ Transition Specialist <b>Kathryn Vuchak</b> – SST8 Consultant
October 25, 2017	9:30 am – 1:30 pm	<b>Executive Functioning: <i>The Dog DIDN'T Eat My Homework</i>:</b> 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.	<b>Wendy Szakacs</b> – Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence (OCALI) <b>Tracy Mail</b> – SST8 Consultant
November 15, 2017 *Field Trip Location TBD	9:30 am – 1:30 pm	<b>Weaver Industries:</b> Their mission is to maximize the independence and personal fulfillment of individuals with disabilities through vocational training and employment opportunities.	<b>Denise Balko</b> – Weaver Industries
February 14, 2018	9:30 am – 1:30 pm	<b>Recreational Opportunities:</b> Come hear from a variety of providers who offer recreational programming for persons with special needs and disabilities.	<b>Speakers from:</b> 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	<b>What's New in Ohio?</b> 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.	<b>Gary Tonks</b> - 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](mailto:PAC@sst8.org)), 330-929-6634, x. 513927