

2011-2012 WORKSHOPS*

TPSLD hosts free workshops for parents, caregivers, students, teachers, specialists, paraprofessionals, etc. throughout the academic year. Workshops are held at the Long Hill Administration Building, 6254 Main St., Trumbull, CT at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

September 21

“Meet Your Trumbull Special Education Team”

October 19

“Being Your Child’s Best Advocate”

November 16:

“Helping Your Student Get a College Education”

January 18 (snow date 2/1):

“Managing Your Child’s Anxiety”

March 21 (snow date 3/28):

“Talking to Your Student about Puberty:”

April 25:

“A Brain Based Approach for Children Struggling with ADHD, Learning Disabilities, Autism and Related Disorders”

May 16:

“Aspergers Syndrome: K-12 Overview”

TBD:

“Let Me Introduce You: Building a Profile to Help Others Understand Your Special Kid”

**Workshops are always subject to change.*

Dear Parents and Caregivers:

We encourage all parents to come and be a part of TPSLD in any way they can. We know parents and caregivers are busy, but we invite you to learn and advocate on behalf of your students and all Trumbull students with special needs. Regardless of your child’s needs, TPSLD will be a support system for you and your family. We are also looking to find ways to bring new information and a healthy discussion on issues that are important to you and your special needs student. We also try to have some fun along the way.

- TPSLD Chairs

TPSLD

Trumbull Parents of Students with Learning Differences (TPSLD) is a town-wide parent support group under Trumbull PTA Council, an affiliate of the National Parent Teacher Association. TPSLD is a support group that offers resources and information specializing in children with or without special needs.

Pupil Services

TPLSD works closely with Trumbull Public School’s department of Pupil Services. TPSLD executive committee meets regularly with administrators to discuss current topics.

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Visit www.trumbullps.org
for more information

Trumbull Parents of Students with Learning Differences



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Learn from experts,
celebrate success,
share stories and
engage your students
in enriching programs



Sensitivity Day began in 2009 to enable students to experience a variety of physical and learning disabilities that impact student's every-day life. The program hopes to increase awareness and sensitivity of these differences in a safe environment. The elementary program begins in the classroom with a discussion of differences, tolerance and the importance of being open and sensitive to all people in our diverse world. The children move onto a hands-on learning stations and close with a classroom discussion on the students' feelings on the program. Students will also enjoy a Read Aloud program. Friends of Trumbull Public Schools can come to the school where guests will read a grade- appropriate book illustrating various differences in a positive way.



SUMMER FUN CAMP

TPSLD in conjunction the Trumbull Recreation Department will offer a Summer Fun Camp for special needs students (only entering kindergarten through 5th grade in the fall) living in Trumbull. This Fun Camp, held during July, gives special needs children the opportunity to play and build social skills at the same time. The program is planning special themed weeks and will have host special events for the children.



The TPSLD "Above and Beyond" Award was established in 2007 to recognize and publicize outstanding achievements by a teacher, paraprofessional, school staff or administrator, student, therapists, coaches, bus drivers, community volunteer, parent or guardian, or any other individual working to improve the lives of children with learning differences. In order to be eligible the Award nominees must live, work or volunteer in Trumbull, CT and have demonstrated outstanding achievement, sensitivity and compassion. The applicant can be nominated by someone working and/or volunteering in any aspect of special education or from the surrounding community.

HELP US, HELP YOUR STUDENTS

We are always looking for parents and caregivers to volunteer for TPSLD. We are a small group of concerned parents who want to make sure there is a positive voice for our students within the schools and community.

Join other parents who want to support special education in Trumbull. Please email us at tpsld@yahoo.com and let us know if you would like to help us with our programs, flyers, etc.

**Every effort -big or small –
can make a difference!**

"Recreational Options" Expo

Saturday, March 24, 2012
11-1 p.m.
Trumbull Public Library

TPSLD hosts a free annual "Recreational Options Expo: Seeking Special Needs Programs and Providers for Families" every year. The Expo features community programs and providers which are available to children and young adults who need a specialized program in order to participate fully and safely. More and more typical organizations are now offering special programs designed with your child in mind. to you in an easy and casual environment.

Come join us and learn about these wonderful organizations and providers, asks questions and meet other parents in this casual environment. Door prizes and refreshments available.

Please contact Yolanda Soto at 203-450-2919, if you know of any organization or provider that would like to be featured. The Expo is very popular and space is limited, so call today.



Coffee and Chat

TPSLD is hosting "Coffee and Chat" sessions so parents and caregivers can talk to each other about issues that are important to them. Make connections with other parents of students with learning differences. We welcome parents who want to positively share strategies and resources and of course, share successes! Meetings are informal.. Sessions are held 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. at the Long Hill Administration Building.

**September 15
November 17
January 12
March 15
May 17**

Refreshments Served. No RSVP required.