

KIDSLINK-UP



KidsLink
Neurobehavioral Center

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SUMMER 2010 AT KIDSLINK

KidsLink Autism Buddy Day Camp

An Extended School Year Program

July 5 to July 29

Designed for children ages 3 to 10 with autism spectrum disorders and other developmental disorders, KidsLink Buddy Day Camp is a methodology-based program utilizing ABA and other behaviorally-based techniques. Social skills, communication, recreation and activities of daily living will be emphasized. Each child will interact with peer buddies daily.

This 4-week program includes:

- Social skill development
- Large & small group activities
- Games and crafts
- Movement / Music
- Individual focus on IEP-driven goals
- Weekly individual speech therapy and group speech therapy
- Progress monitoring
- Community based instruction and More!

NEW this year – two age groups

Group I: Ages 3 to 6

Group II: Ages 7 to 10

Program personnel will include:

- (2) Certified special education teachers
- Speech & Language Pathologist
- ABA therapist (BCBA Certified)
- Teacher Assistants
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Buddy Day Camp is held on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 AM to Noon at the Hudson Community Chapel. Cost for camp is \$2950.

To register, contact our office at 330.963.8600. Enrollment will be limited to 8 participants per age group.

Supported Job Club

July 5th through July 30th

Meet weekly 9:00 A.M. to Noon

Facilitated by Jaina Blackford, M.Ed., Vocational Specialist, “**Supported Job Club**” educates and trains students with developmental disabilities to find supported employment opportunities with the support of their families and community.

Designed for students ages 12 to 22 Supported Job Club will provide the necessary resources to develop:

- ❖ job seeking skills
- ❖ resume development
- ❖ interview/communication skills
- ❖ student employment proposals
- ❖ community job exploration activities

All students will complete a career interest inventory to assess career interest and abilities.

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Summer continued

KidsLink is offering a variety of services for the summer. Below is a brief description of each. The summer brochure and group applications can be found on our website at www.kidslinkohio.com or call our office at 330.963.8600.

Intensive Summer Therapy

Speech, occupational therapy and/or physical therapy services for children with neurologic or developmental disorders. All ages.

Social Communication Groups

Speech-based treatment groups focusing on social communication for children ages 3 to 14 with autism spectrum disorders or communication disorders. Three 4-week sessions beginning June 5th.

Facilitated Play Dates

Facilitated play dates promoting active play and social engagement for children with developmental disabilities. This program can be home or center-based and is for all ages.

Play Group

Facilitated recreational group for young children ages 2 – 5 with autism or other developmental disabilities. Will meet weekly for 5-weeks – 90 minute sessions.

SUCCESS Club / Teen Group / CALM Kids:

Psychological treatment groups for those with Asperger’s Disorder or high-functioning autism providing direct teaching and practice of social and friendship behaviors, self-esteem development and coping skills.

- **SUCCESS Club** is for ages 7 to 12 and will be held on Saturday mornings beginning July 10th and ending August 28th.
- **Teen Club** is for ages 13 to 18 and will be held Thursday evenings at 6:00 PM beginning July 8th and ending August 26th.

CALM Kids is a treatment group for children & adolescents with or at risk for anxiety and/or depressive disorders.

- **CALM Kids** will be held Tuesday evenings beginning July 6th and ending August 24th. Ages 8-11 will meet from 4:30 to 5:30 PM and ages 12 – 15 will meet 5:45 to 6:45 PM.

CORRECTION

In our last newsletter we mistakenly listed Karen Burk Paull as a neurologist. Karen is a pediatric neuropsychologist. She earned her doctorate in Clinical Psychology and then completed a 2-year postdoctoral fellowship in pediatric neuropsychology. She enjoys working with children of all ages and particularly likes working with children and families who are dealing with a chronic disability or illness affecting cognitive, academic and/or psychological development. To schedule an appointment please call 330.963.8600.

Friday Night Fun

Designed for teens age 12 to 18 with Asperger’s Syndrome. Activities are facilitated by Beth Lattime, licensed intervention specialist with expertise in recreation and education for adolescents. Come join us for some fun activities while making new friends in a safe and supportive group! Cost is \$40.

- April 23rd: Bowling & mini golf – Stow Lanes
- May 28th: Fun ‘N Stuff – Macedonia

To sign up or for more information at 330.963.8600 please call us

***APRIL IS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH
COME GET PAMPERED***

In the spirit of Autism Awareness Month, please join KidsLink for a Parent’s Night full of Pampering and Fun!

***Wednesday, April 14th at
7:00 PM at KidsLink***

*Enjoy a chair massage, make-over, and delicious desserts!
RSVP to KidsLink by April 10th to reserve your massage time!
Call 330.963.8600 or email kkitzmiller@kidslinkohio.com*