What is Partners for Success?

Partners for Success is a collaborative effort between AACPS and MSDE to ensure parents are informed, active participants in their child’s education. The Partners for Success team proactively works to provide the tools and information necessary to empower parents to support their child's educational program. Our team assists parents with strategies to feel acknowledged, heard and respected.

Who are your Partners?

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Second Quarter Partners for Success Consultations

Grab your child’s IEP or interim report and your questions for a quick personal meeting with our Partners. Pick one 15-minute session for help getting you started with tools to communicate knowledgeably and effectively with your child’s educational team. You will also be able to set up a future meeting to discuss concerns more in-depth. Reserve your specific appointment at www.aacps.org/partnersforsuccess

Odenton Library  
Feb 18  12:00 - 2:00

Brooklyn Park Library  
Feb 19  10:00- 12:30

Broadneck Library  
Feb 20  6:30 - 8:30

24th Annual Maryland State Police Polar Bear Plunge

January 23-25, 2020
Sandy Point State Park

Every January over 10,000 plungers head to Sandy Point State Park seeking thrills and chills to benefit the 8,000 athletes of Special Olympics Maryland. There is something for everyone – whether you are a Cool School Plunger, a Corporate Plunger, a Police Plunger or a Maryland Plunger – or not a Plunger at all, but an Enjoyer of the Revelry.

Multiple volunteer opportunities exist on Plunge weekend and the weeks leading up to it.

Learn more at www.plungemd.com
Helpful Organizations

The Arc Central Chesapeake Region
thearcccr.org

Children and Adults with Attention
Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorders (CHADD) of AA County
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Children’s Mental Health Matters Campaign
childrensmentalhealthmatters.org/parents-families

Center of Help
www.centerofhelp.org

Down Syndrome Connection. Connecting individuals
to supports. www.downsyndromeconnection.com

GiGi's Playhouse. Down Syndrome Achievement
Center www.gigisplayhouse.org

Kennedy Krieger: Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD)  

Kinera Foundation  www.kinera.org

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)
www.namiaac.org

Parents' Place of Maryland  www.ppmd.org

RISE for Autism www.riseforautism.com

AA Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee  
www.aasecac.org

Special Olympics Maryland, Anne Arundel County
www.somd.org

The Autism Community in Action (TACA)
www.tacanow.org/localchapter/northeast/maryland

The Life Transition Series

Workshops designed to provide families of students with disabilities who are transitioning from school with valuable information and resources to facilitate a successful transition. Each session will focus on a specific topic and provide information that is crucial for preparing to enter adult life.

For more information:

Happenings

Pathfinders for Autism’s
Family Fun Night
National Aquarium in Baltimore

Saturday, February 22
6:30 – 10:00 pm

• FREE to attend, however, you MUST register.
• All registrations will be placed in a lottery.
• You will be notified by email if your family has been awarded passes.

Learn more at
https://pathfindersforautism.org/night-out-at-the-aquarium-2020/