



*Families Of Children with
Autism Spectrum Disorder United and Supported*

Held Virtually through WebEx 2020-2021 School Year

FOCUS will be held on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. and end by 7:00 p.m.

The Lewisville ISD Special Education Department presents a series of five topics dedicated to assisting families of children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). FOCUS Night is open to families with children who receive Special Education services under the category of Autism and who reside within Lewisville ISD. These programs are designed to educate and support families of children with ASD. All programs are free of charge.

Please register online at <https://tinyurl.com/y6r8khec> by 4:00 p.m. the Tuesday prior to each Thursday program. You may also call our secretary, Vera Salim, at the Purnell Support Center at (469) 948-8536 to register. Please indicate if you have a need for an interpreter at the presentation and efforts will be made to obtain an interpreter. **Every participant must be registered each month.**

After registering, participants will be e-mailed a link the day before to attend the live virtual presentation through WebEX. Presentation participants will also be provided a link for a social skill activity caregivers can watch with their children at a time convenient for the family.

Facilitators:

Morgan Sowell, Ph.D.
Licensed Psychologist, LSSP

Jennifer DePetro, Ph.D., BCBA
Licensed Psychologist, LSSP

Presenters:

Lezli Anderson, Psychology Intern
Ashante Givens, Psychology Intern

Rong Gong, Psychology Intern
Tiffany Root, Psychology Intern

Autism Presentation Series

This program is a lecture series for parents of children with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). The presentations are intended to increase understanding of various issues related to ASDs, to provide information regarding various interventions, and to empower parents to be the best parent for their child.

- October 22nd** ***Adapting to Change in School Routines***
Presenters: Rong Gong and Lezli Anderson
- November 19th** ***Mindfulness and Emotion Regulation***
Presenters: Tiffany Root and Rong Gong
- February 4th** ***Organization and Study Skills***
Presenters: Ashante Givens and Lezli Anderson
- March 11th** ***Increasing Independence of Activities of Daily Living***
Presenters: Lezli Anderson and Tiffany Root
- April 22nd** ***Initiating and Sustaining Social Relationships***
Presenters: Rong Gong and Ashante Givens

Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/y6r8khec>



FOCUS will be provided virtually, and opportunity for questions and discussion will be built into the presentation. ***In consideration of all participants, please save child specific questions until after the conclusion of the program when you can speak privately with the presenter(s).*** In addition, we appreciate your understanding that this is not a venue for individual complaints or child-specific feedback. For those situations, please contact Carin Shearer, M.Ed., BCBA, LBA, Director of Special Education, or Dr. Kathy Talbert, Executive Director of Special Education, at (469) 713-5203.

**** If you have any questions or concerns regarding FOCUS Night, please contact Dr. Morgan Sowell at (469) 948-8615 or Dr. Jennifer DePetro at (469) 948-8553.**