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# PEAC NEWSLETTER: Back to School (Edition)



## SO MUCH GOING ON...

PEAC has been busy during the Pandemic. PEAC has been awarded two different grants from PA Developmental Disabilities Council to increase the knowledge and opportunities for individuals with disabilities and their families.

The Family Empowerment Grant Program will address the need to increase practicing and preservice educators' understanding of and practices within effective inclusive environments, in and beyond the school walls, and also empower families to advocate for effective inclusive environments for their student.

The Higher Education Connections Grant Program provides opportunities to help families understand their new role when their student with a developmental disability attends college or university, and to help students develop the skills, attitudes, and access to resources needed for successful adult life.

For more information, contact PEAC at [info@paedforall.org](mailto:info@paedforall.org).

*PEAC needs more Board Members!  
Applications are at [www.paedforall.org](http://www.paedforall.org).*

## PEAC ACTIVITIES

PEAC has partnered this year with Community Integrated Services (CIS) to provide professional development to individuals responsible for assisting individuals with securing competitive employment. The virtual meetings successfully delivered tons of information to an AWESOME audience.

PEAC continues to offer IEP clinics. We had two virtual IEP Clinics that assisted many families in developing powerful IEPs for their students in the upcoming school year!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

As always, PEAC is interested in assisting all stakeholders in increasing successful inclusive environments.

Tues. 9/28/21, 7 p.m. Attorney Tanya Alvarado will lead a bilingual (Spanish & English) webinar on issues that families want to know for the school year. Families everywhere are invited to participate. **Save the Date.**

Fri. 11/5/21, 10-4 p.m. PEAC Annual Inclusion Conference. Virtual conference this year with the of RESILIENCE! All Stakeholders are invited-\$10 registration fee! Free for families with disabilities because scholarships are available. Registration opens in September. **Save the Date!**

**Beginning Self-Advocate Lunch & Learn - Stay tuned for Dates and Topics.**

*PEAC mission is to promote education that creates inclusive communities for all people through collaboration with families, people with disabilities, schools, colleges, universities, and other stakeholders.*

## WE CAN HELP!

PEAC helps families, educators and support personnel create and improve inclusive education for students and environments for young adults with disabilities. Contact PEAC if you need assistance, resources, and/or connections to others!

## CAN YOU HELP?

PEAC needs a bookkeeper or an accountant. Can you help? Contact PEAC.

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