

Local Task Force on the Right to Education for Beaver County
News Letter
November, 2010

WHAT YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW

But Didn't Know Who To Ask:

Agency Information:

- ✓ **Lunch and Learn** is an informational series on transition being offered by the **Local Task Force of the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit**. The sessions are scheduled between 12:00PM and 1:00PM by phone conferencing. **You can access the session from any telephone by dialing 724-444-7444, the ID is #88337 followed by the # sign, followed by the # sign.** Then, press 1 followed by the # sign. You are then connected to the live session. **The second session is scheduled for 11/24/10.** For additional information, contact you district's Director of Special Education or your high school Transition Coordinator.

- ✓ **Pennsylvania Youth Leadership Network** will offer a webinar on December 3, 10-11 a.m. and 1-2 p.m. on a How-To Guide to the Holidays. These sessions are led by youth and young adults who share their experiences with you. The links to the webinar are: 10-11 a.m.: <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/416594130> and 1-2 p.m. at <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/482769643>.

IEP Information:

- ✓ **IEP change effective October 8, 2009.** Section IV of the IEP (Participation In State and Local Assessments) has a new section referring to the PSSA-Modified for Math. There are four (4) criteria for IEP Teams to consider when a student may be eligible to take the PSSA-Modified (PSSA-M). Contact your district's Director of Special Education for further information.

Resource Information:

- ✓ **Free website on Internet Safety** for all age groups and parents. Go to www.netSMART.org.
- ✓ **Accessible Dental Services, Inc.** is a unique, nonprofit organization that provides quality dental care for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Utilizing a combination of facilities-based services, along with a mobile unit, the professional team (dentists, anesthesiologists, nurses and support staff) accommodates patients with extraordinary needs. Contact Karen at (412) 820-1010, ext. 633 to schedule a visit or an appointment.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's Special Education Plan or Special Education Services that you would like to have answered through this newsletter, please contact Diane DuFour-Gaudio, Training and Consultation Staff, Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit at 724-774-7800, ext 3031 or at ddg@bviu.org. You may also contact, Mr. Nicols, Chairperson of the Local Task Force at 724-775-1360. **Questions and concerns do not require that your name or your school district's name be given in order to get a reply.**

*If you are interested in receiving this news letter by email contact Judy Pamer at jpamer@achieva.info or 724-775-1602, ext 16.

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Local Task Force on the Right to Education for Beaver

We cordially invite you to attend our monthly meetings.

The November 17th meeting will be held at South Side School District beginning at 10:00 A.M.

The Local Task Force is supported through the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit EOE.