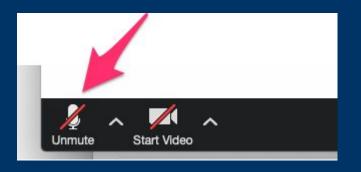


RMDS Family Education Program

WELCOME!
Thanks for joining!
Please <u>mute your audio</u>
and have <u>your camera off</u>
as you join the workshop.





RMDS Family Education Workshop

Laying the Groundwork for Virtual Learning: Workshops and Zoom Breakout Rooms

October 2, 2020 Susie Broderick



Welcome!

Audio/Visual/Access Check/Commenting

Introductions:

Stephanie Carson, RMDS Student Engagement Coordinator

Susie Broderick, RMDS Family Education Coordinator

Jeni Jackerson, ASL specialist

Kirk Neuroth, Interpreter

COVID-Unique and Unprecedented Times

Important to recognize that we are all experiencing unique struggles and a mix of emotions.

Families describe this "great pause" as both an opportunity and a challenge.

Each day requires resilience and flexibility.

Offering grace and gratitude.



RMDS Family Education

This is YOUR program! I am committed to building our Family Education program together using topics that are important to you.

Value this time for yourself. You earned it!

Create a comfortable nurturing physical space for yourself.

Plan ahead so that your time is free from distractions.



Special Thanks

Our RMDS family education program for the 2020-2021 school year is made possible through grant funding from the following organizations:

- Colorado Commission for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Deaf-Blind (CCDHHDB)
- Colorado Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Alliance



RMDS Family Education

Provides statewide support and family education to families/caregivers with children who are Deaf/Hard of Hearing birth through age five.

Provides statewide support and education to professionals who work with children who are Deaf/Hard of Hearing birth through age five.



Family Education Format

Webinars and presentations are scheduled on the first Friday of every month from 1:00-2:00.

Families who participate in our Early Literacy Program will also meet on the third Friday of every month from 1:00-2:00 for a follow up informal discussion and Q/A.

Zoom breakout rooms will be used to maximize access and provide a comfortable venue for discussions.



Family Education Resources

After each presentation you will be emailed a Family Education summary with additional resources and strategies/tips to apply with your child.

Presentations will be recorded and archived on the RMDS website under the tab-Family Ed Resources. All families will be emailed a link to access the presentation, presenter's contact information, and resources.

Families and the community may access these recordings at their convenience.



Program Monitoring

Open Communication.

I value your feedback! After each presentation/discussion all participants will complete a poll or questionnaire as well as have the opportunity to write suggestions or topics of interest.

I am available to meet with you and your family for additional support/strategies.



RMDS Family Education Is....

Safe, Supportive, and Trusting Environment.

A community of families = A supported community

All participants feel their input/sharing is valued.

All participants have an equal opportunity to share.

All modes of communication are honored and encouraged.

All participants have ACCESS.



Strategies for facilitating full ACCESS in our group discussions:

One participant shares at a time.

Take turns in conversation.

During a discussion, allow ample wait time so that comments can be fully expressed/interpreted.

During a discussion, allow ample wait time so that responses can be shared and interpreted.



Strategies for facilitating full ACCESS in our group discussions:

When in a mixed language environment, consistently communicate in one mode for the duration of the comment.

Your mode of communication may vary. Signal the change.

We encourage you to practice your ASL skills. Here is the place to flourish in your ASL acquisition!



Family Education Program

Register for **each** new Family Education Program Presentation.

- Program flyers will be on the website with a new registration link two weeks prior to the program.
- Once you have registered, a new link will be emailed to you.
- Registrations help us data log and to provide necessary accommodations to meet your needs.



Accessing Resources

Please visit our website for more information about our Toddler Program and to access a wide range of resources.

www.RMDS.co

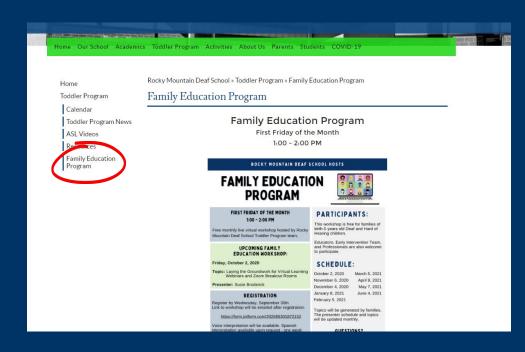




Accessing Resources

Family Education
Program page will be updated after each month's workshop.

Slides, resources, handouts, and more will be available.



Click Here: Family Education Program Page

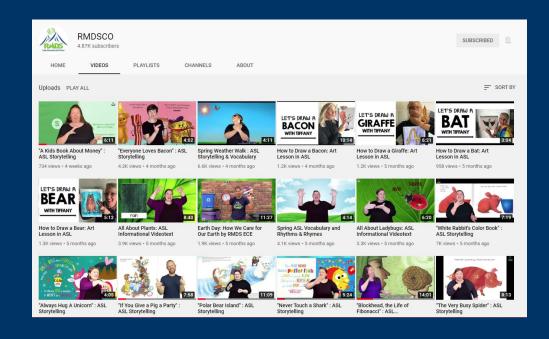


Accessing Resources

ASL Videos

RMDS YouTube Channel: RMDSCO

www.YouTube.com/RMDSCO





Upcoming Family Education Programs

Friday, October 16, 2020 ELP-Small Group Discussion and Q/A

Friday, November 6, 2020 Family Education Program Presentation

Email: sbroderick@rmds.co