



Family Support News



5-19-23



Camp Calcia

Where you'll soar to new heights

MORE INFO

HOCKOMOCK AREA YMCA

Join us at Camp Calcia, a one-of-a-kind summer camp for adults 18-50 years old living with special needs.

Camp Calcia is a half-day camp held at the North Attleboro YMCA on Saturdays and Sundays in July. Campers will have the opportunity to try new things and make new friends, all while enjoying a traditional day camp. Each weekend will have a variety of activities which may include swimming, sports, arts and crafts, gardening, outdoor education, ropes course climbs, theatre/improv, and more! We will also have special guests for our campers to enjoy. Pizza lunch will be provided on Sundays.



We will have 1 staff for every 6 campers in order to provide participants with the necessary supports to be successful throughout the camp day.

Campers should bring a swim suit and towel, sunscreen, bug spray, a refillable water bottle, snacks, and a lunch each day.

Weekend 1: July 8-9, 2022 9am-2pm
Weekend 2: July 15-16, 2022 9am-2pm
Weekend 3: July 22-23, 2022 9am-2pm

Weekend 4: July 29-30, 2022 9am-2pm
Campers are welcome to join us for 1-4 weekends!

Member: \$146/Weekend
Non Member: \$219/Weekend

Visit hockymca.org/camp to register.

Please contact Camp Calcia Director Laurie Inferrera with questions at lauriei@hockymca.org or 508.772.1327.

Presented with the generous support of the Lorusso Corp



The Arc of Bristol County family, friends, and staff have been given a discount offer for select upcoming Cirque Du Soleil shows.

To receive the discounted per ticket price of \$55 (plus fees) you must use our specific link to make your purchase. The lowest price seats for public general admission around \$150 (plus fees), making this \$55 offer an excellent deal for us!

Your tickets will be digital only. You will not receive printed tickets.

Click here to purchase your discounted tickets!



LEARN MORE

Make It OK!

Mental Health Resource Pop-Up

Liberty & Union Park
Across from Taunton City Hall

Date: May 25th
Time: 5-7p

Raffles!
Entertainment!
Resource Tables!
All Ages!

Poetry by:



Community Partners:



Next virtual Moms' Support Group: Tuesday, June 27th, 7-8pm

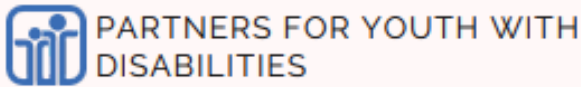
We invite all moms and those playing the role of a mom to join Family Support Coordinator Ida Linquist for our next group. This is a casual atmosphere where you can gain insight from other families, socialize, and enjoy spending some time with others who understand what it's like to be a special needs caregiver. Kindly register online and you will receive the meeting link by email.

REGISTER NOW!



Follow us on Facebook for daily information updates and further resource sharing!





SUMMER
2023

youth leadership forum

The Youth Leadership Forum (YLF) is a free conference for young adults, **ages 16-22 with disabilities**, held annually in Massachusetts and other states across the country.

June 25-29, 2023

Emerson College, Boston MA

Engage in both small and large group discussions and workshops on topics such as:

- Legislative and self-advocacy
- Disability pride
- Assistive technology
- Independent living
- Career exploration
- Higher education
- Community participation

*Interested in mentoring others?
Apply for a paid position:*

YLF Peer Leader (18-25 years old)

- Currently in college classes or working
- Must commit to additional training
- Paid a \$500 stipend

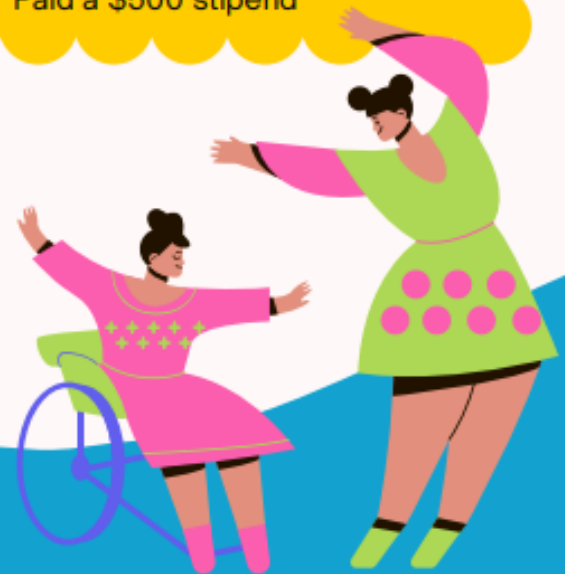
Two options for participation:



In-person full access - live and study on a college campus with off-campus learning opportunities



Partial virtual access - see keynote speakers, panels, and select virtual workshop sessions.



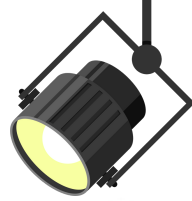
SIGN UP TODAY

pyd.org/get-involved



Contact: Carol Murray, Youth Leadership Manager
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Local Resource Spotlight!



THE LGBTQ+ NETWORK
SOUTH COAST MASSACHUSETTS

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The South Coast LGBTQ+ Network is a nonprofit whose mission is to create & support a thriving LGBTQ+ community on Massachusetts' South Coast where individuals can freely, safely, & joyously celebrate their true selves & realize their full potentials. They're dedicated to building & maintaining a support network of LGBTQ+ individuals & families across the age spectrum, with an emphasis on the most vulnerable including LGBTQ+ youth, transgender & nonbinary individuals, & older adults. The Network offers a wide range of services & events that promote LGBTQ+ awareness & education, health & wellness, social interaction, professional development, & more.

Click for Taunton Event

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
It'll be here before you know it!

June 10, 2023 | Hopewell Park
Noon-5:00 pm | Taunton

PRIDE

SOUTH COAST
2023



Click for New Bedford Event

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
It'll be here before you know it!

June 3, 2023 | Buttonwood Park
11:00-4:00 pm | New Bedford

PRIDE

SOUTH COAST
2023



Q Lakeville



Q Taunton



Q Middleboro

What kind of free fun is happening at YOUR local library? Visit their website to find out! Here's just some of the activities you might discover:

- Cribbage Club
- Knitting Classes
- Chess Club
- Story Hours
- Graphic Novel Book Club
- Adult Books Club
- Local Author Visits
- Therapy Dog Visits
- Book Sales
- Movie Nights
- Gardening Activities
- Lego Club
- Drama Classes
- Arts & Crafts
- Pokémon Club
- Resume Writing



BASIC RIGHTS

IN SPECIAL EDUCATION AND MEANINGFUL PARENT PARTICIPATION

This presentation will provide an introduction to parents' rights and responsibilities under current federal and state special education laws. Attendees will learn about tools that can help parents participate in their child's school in the creation of an effective IEP and 504 plans for their students. Presentation is open to all interested parties



REGISTER

<https://tinyurl.com/yfpewvfn>



Speaker
ANGELA FERREIRA

The Arc
Bristol County



Angela Ferreira has been involved in special education advocacy for more than 20 years. She works at The Arc of Bristol County in Attleboro, MA and was also the SEPAC Chairperson in Attleboro Public Schools for 7 years.

Questions?

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