



Down Syndrome Education Series

Where –noted on each date, and subject to change.

All sessions are FREE to attend. Please register via our website, www.dsamidlands.org, on our events calendar. Registration is required. ZOOM info. to be sent 24 hours before each event.

* Dates/speakers are subject to change – register so you can get updated via email.

*When the speaker allows, the session will be audio recorded and available for playback on our website.

*Por favor, llame a Amanda Clark en 14 días de la presentación si necesita un intérprete. Gracias.

2023 Schedule

January 17th

Speaker: Teresa Unnerstall, DS-ASD Consultant and Author of *A New Course: A Mother's Journey Navigating Down Syndrome and Autism*

Topic: The Dual Diagnosis of Down Syndrome and Autism: A Parent Perspective of

Navigating the Journey of DS-ASD

Parent Session: 6:30 - 8:30PM, on Zoom

February 21st

Speaker: Denise Gehringer, DSA Board President & Executive Director of Sheltering Tree Community

Topic: Making the Move: Transitioning from Grade School to Middle School

6:30 - 8:30PM, In-Person at DSA

March 28th

Speaker: Dr. Chicoine, Adult Down Syndrome Clinic

Topic: Generalized Anxiety Disorder and Down Syndrome

6:30 - 8:30PM, on Zoom



April 18th

Speaker: Matthew Dennis, M.D. Pediatric Pulmonology & Sleep Medicine, Children's Hospital & Medical Center Omaha, Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska Medical Center

Topic: Sleep Apnea in Down Syndrome
n Syndrome 6:30 - 8:30PM, In-Person at DSA

May 16th

Speaker: T.B.A.

Topic: The American Board of Pediatrics Down Syndrome Guidelines
6:30 - 8:30PM, on Zoom

June 20th

Speaker: Dr. Stacy Taylor, BCBA-D, President/Clinical Director, Advance Behavior & Learning

Topic: Benefits of Being Busy: Strategies to Promote Positive Behaviors

6-8PM, on Zoom

July 18th

Speaker: Melissa Bradley-Potter, M.A., CCC-SLP, Owner of Blue Door Pediatric Therapy, P.C.

Topic: Back to School Workshop, Preparing the Team Beyond the IEP (All About Me worksheets)

6:30 - 8:30PM, In-Person at DSA

August 15h

Speaker: Graciela Sharif, LEND Diversity Coordinator

Community Parent Resource Coordinator

Munroe-Meyer Institute for Genetics and Rehabilitation

Topic: Down Syndrome 101 in Spanish – for Spanish speaking audience

6:30 - 8:30PM, In-Person at DSA



September 19th

Speaker: Caring For Champions Clinic - MMI

Topic: Nutritional & Feeding Wellness

6:30 – 8:30 PM, In-Person at DSA

October 17th

Speaker: Heather Porter, PhD, CCC-A

Research Scientist, Center for Hearing Research

Topic: Hearing healthcare and your child who has Down syndrome

6:30 - 8:30PM, In-Person at DSA

November 21st

Speaker: Kimberly Yaeger, Little Leaf Learning Center

Topic: Potty Training: Underwear 4 Kindergarden

6:30 - 8:30PM, In-Person at DSA

December 19th

Speaker: Kim Bainbridge, Parent Advocate

Topic: What Now? Life in 30's, 40's, and beyond

6:30 - 8:30PM, T.B.D. location/platform