



News from the Nest

September 15, 2022

Academic and School Based Reminders

- Picture Retake Day.... Tuesday, 9/20
- NO SCHOOL.... Friday, 9/23
- 8th Grade Consortium Band with AHS Marching Band.... Friday, 9/23 4:30 – 8:30 pm

Activity and Club Reminders

- SEF Carnival...Friday, 9/16 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

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Resources

- WI FACETS Webinar: Wednesday, 9/21 12-1 pm [Providing Support for Students with Mental Health Challenges](#)
- WI FACETS Webinar: Tuesday 9/27 12-1 pm [Section 504: What Parents Need to Know](#)

Did You Know?

Students with an IEP have access to accommodations and modifications. Many think these supports are the same. They are in fact very different. [The article from the National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities, \(previously known as the National Information Center for Handicapped Children and Youth\) NICHCY](#) discusses the difference between accommodations and modifications.

Collaboration Corner

ADHD

ADHD is a frequent diagnosis for school age children. The organization Children and Adults with Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (CHAAD) has a number of resources for parents. Homework time can be a difficult time for students with an ADHD profile. See the attached [handout](#) from CHAAD for some additional support for homework time.

Fostering Accountability and Responsibility

It's never too late or early to build accountability in students. While as parents (I am working on this as a mom too), we want to be there to 'save our children' from uncomfortable feelings of not being prepared and often times, the bringing the item to our child seems like the easy and fast fix. But when we step back and evaluate the situation, what are we really teaching our kids? Someone will be there to save them and they do not need to be accountable for things in their life. An article in "[Your Teen, for parents](#)" discusses this topic.

How can we help?

Do you have a question or would you like more information on a topic related to special education? Our department is here to support you. Please complete [this form](#) and we can respond to you directly or if you would like to have us share your question and answer with the group, I would be happy to do so as well.