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Matrix February 2019 Express
Happy Valentine's Day! • ¡Feliz día de San Valentín!

School Reform – Sounds Overwhelming, Doesn't It?



Question:

How can I, as one parent, impact something so important like school reform?

Answer:

You are making a difference every time you participate in decision-making about your child's education – for example, in IEP (Individual Education Plan) meetings.

When you coordinate educational services with teachers and therapists or when you advocate for inclusion for your child, you are actually impacting and reforming how your school educates **all** children.

*Think of the pebble in the pond. The effects of what each of us does are far reaching. **When enough of us make some ripples, the whole pond changes forever. That is the start of school reform.***



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Upcoming Matrix Events



[Click here for Hops & Harmonies tickets!](#)

**Join us at the Lagunitas
Brewing Company Tap
Room on February 26th
from 5:30 – 8:30 pm!**

2019 Matrix Golf Classic



Our Matrix Classic Golf Tournament returns to Windsor Golf Course on April 26th!



Make Some Good Ripples!

For some great resources to help you make some good “ripples”, check out CADRE’s (Center for Appropriate Dispute Resolution in Special Education) website. Their newest modules, The **Working Together Series**, include five interactive, self-directed courses. This is a foundational series for family members and educators.

Here’s a link to this valuable resource:

<https://www.cadeworks.org/resources/cadre-materials/working-together-online-learning-series>

CADRE also has a whole section for families:

<https://www.cadeworks.org/for-families>

With information and persistence, everything is possible!

Upcoming Matrix Trainings, Workshops, and Events

TRAININGS



Visit the [Upcoming Trainings Page](#) on our website for a quick list view of our Spring 2019 offerings.

Our Spring offerings include trainings on Special Education Rights: Procedural Safeguards, Understanding Conservatorship, Understanding Behavior Intervention, and others.

For more details about our trainings visit:

[Calendar – Matrix Trainings, Workshops, and Groups](#)

EVENTS

Hops & Harmonies Returns to Lagunitas Tap Room Tuesday, February 26th

THANK YOU!

Thank you to [Giving Marin](#) and Rob Devincenzi, President and Publisher, [Marin Independent Journal](#), for helping us to promote our P2P (Parents Helping Parents) Program!

Matrix News



Our new Matrix website is coming soon.

Join Our Monthly Giving Program



Your \$20 a month provides **support to 12 families a year**. [Click here to join.](#)

Community Events



NAMI Marin: Putting the



Listen or dance to the music of **Vardo** and **Odd Man Out** while enjoying an Italian dinner and the best beer in town – all of this, while supporting a great cause! This is a family friendly event. Children of all ages are welcome.
This event is coming soon. Please join us!

[Purchase tickets](#) • [Download event flyer](#)

Tuesday, February 26, 5:30 – 8:30 pm
Lagunitas Tap Room
1280 North McDowell Boulevard
Petaluma



Our 2019 Matrix Classic Charity Golf Tournament is coming April 26th!



[Click here and Register Today!](#)

[Click here and Download a Registration Form.](#)

Join us on Friday, April 26th at the Windsor Golf Course for **our 2019 Matrix Classic Charity Golf Tournament**. This is our biggest event of the year and would not be possible without the support of community members and businesses like yours!

Consider Becoming a Sponsor

[Download our Sponsorship Packet here.](#) All funds raised will go directly to helping the special needs families that we

Solano Selpa CAC
(Community Advisory Committee)

[February 21, March 21](#)

Dedication to Special Education: Playtime

[March 2, March 30](#)

Marin Autism Collaborative

[March 6](#)

[March 13](#)

[March 20](#)

[March 27](#)

Marin Selpa SEAC
(Special Education Advisory Committee)

[March 20](#)

Sonoma Selpa CAC
(Community Advisory Committee)

[April 9](#)

Tools to Use

- [Getting Organized Early Years](#)
- [Getting Organized Schoolage](#)
- [IFSP](#)
- [IEP Toolkit](#)
- [Advocating for Your Child with Special Needs](#)

Additional Resources

- [Information by topic](#)
- [Matrix Newsletters](#)
- [Links to Key Public Agencies](#)



En Español

Reforma Escolar: Suená Abrumadora, ¿No es Así?

Pregunta:

¿Cómo puedo, como uno de los padres, impactar algo tan importante como la reforma escolar?

Responder:

Usted está haciendo una diferencia cada vez que participa en la toma de decisiones sobre la educación de su hijo, como durante las reuniones del IEP (Plan de Educación Individual).

Cuando coordina servicios educativos con maestros y terapeutas o aboga por la inclusión de su hijo, en realidad está impactando y reformando la manera en que su escuela educa a **todos** los niños.

Piense en el guijarro en el estanque. Los efectos de lo que cada uno de nosotros hace son de gran alcance.

Cuando suficientes de nosotros hacemos algunas ondulaciones, todo el estanque cambia para siempre. Ese es el comienzo de la reforma escolar.



¡Hacer Algunas Buenas Ondulaciones!

Para obtener algunos recursos excelentes para ayudarlo a hacer algunas buenas "ondulaciones", visite el sitio web de CADRE (Centro para la Resolución de Disputas Apropriadá en Educación Especial). Sus módulos más nuevos, The ***Working Together Series***, incluyen cinco cursos autodirigidos interactivos. Esta es una serie fundamental para familiares y educadores.

¡La versión en Español de los cursos será lanzada pronto!

CADRE también tiene toda una sección para familias que hablan español:

<https://www.cadeworks.org/for-families/espanol>

¡Con información y persistencia, todo es posible!

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ENTRENAMIENTOS

Visite la [Página de Próximos Entrenamientos](#) en nuestro sitio web para obtener una vista de lista rápida de nuestras ofertas de primavera 2019.

Nuestras ofertas de primavera incluyen capacitaciones sobre derechos de educación especial: garantías procesales, comprensión de la tutela, comprensión de la intervención de comportamiento y otros.

Para más detalles sobre nuestros entrenamientos visite:

[Calendario – Entrenamientos Matriciales, Talleres y Grupos](#)



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