

# 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Southwest Washington Autism Conference

November 6, 2019



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# 2019 Conference Schedule

Time/Location	Activity
8:00 a.m.	<b>Registration + Vendor Fair Opens</b>
<b>9:00</b>	<b>Keynote Session - Holly Bahme-Lytle TAC Banquet Hall</b>
10:00	Break
<b>10:15</b>	<b>Workshop Session #1 10:15 – 11:15</b>
TAC 122	Keynote Q&A - Holly Bahme-Lytle
TAC BNQ	Puberty & Autism - Mary Chmelik
WSC 107	Schools: A Community Built for Diversity & Inclusion - Monica Meyer
WSC 121	Inclusive Practices with Autistic People - Zack Siddeek
WSC 109	Panel: Being an Inclusive Business
WSC 110	Communication Strategies for Families Navigating Special Education - Jerri Clark
WSC 111	Childhood Trauma: Abuse & Safety - Samantha Mitchell
11:15	Break, Lunch, Vendor Fair 11:15 – 12:30
<b>11:30</b>	<b>Lunch: TAQ Banquet Hall</b>
<b>12:30 pm</b>	<b>Workshop Session #2 12:30 – 1:15</b>
TAC 122	Inclusion Strategies for Community Partners - Holly Bahme-Lytle - Part 1
WSC 107	Nutrition for Children: Birth to Age 12 - Ellen Kim Cho and Suzanne Lopez (Part 1)
WSC 111	Opportunity Makers: Discover Self-Empowerment Tools - Marcelle Ciampi
WSC 108	Panel: Being an Inclusive Community Program
TAC BNQ	Positive Behavior Supports for Transition (Laura O'Rourke and Tara Zink)
WSC 121	School Inclusion: Research Outcomes for Children with Autism at Recess - Dr. Jill Locke
1:15	Break, Vendor Fair 1:15 – 1:30 ( <b>Vendor Fair Closes</b> )
<b>1:30</b>	<b>Workshop Session #3 1:30 – 2:15</b>
TAC 122	Inclusion Strategies for Community Partners - Holly Bahme-Lytle - Part 2
WSC 107	Nutrition for Children: Birth to Age 12 - Ellen Kim Cho and Suzanne Lopez (Part 2)
WSC 111	Self-Advocacy: The People First/Student First Model - Leaders from Lewis County People First
TAC BNQ	Panel: Being an Inclusive School
WSC 109	Ombuds: Resolving Complaints with Developmental Disabilities Services - Noah Seidel
WSC 121	Getting Started with DDA: Benefits and Waivers - Amanda Sherry
<b>2:30 TAC</b>	<b>Closing Ceremony – Evaluations - Raffle Drawings</b>
3:00	Conference Ends

**Locations: TAC/TAC BNQ -TransAlta Commons. WSC - Walton Science Ctr.**

## Keynote Speaker



We welcome **Holly Bahme-Lytle**, Founder and Executive Director of *The Isaac Foundation*, as our 2019 keynote speaker. The mission of the foundation, founded in 2007, is enhancing the lives of families and friends touched by autism and other special needs through educational, emotional and financial support programs.

Holly suffered a tremendous loss when her son Isaac, diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder, unexpectedly passed away just 6 weeks before his 4th birthday. Founding The Isaac Foundation channeled her personal tragedy into an opportunity to help families similar to her own struggling with the challenges of living with a loved one affected by autism.

Visit [theisaacfoundation.org](http://theisaacfoundation.org).

# Helpful Hints to Enjoy the Conference

- **Internet access** - Use "BlazerGuest" network. User name: SWAC@blazer.net. Password: SWAC2019
- **Lunch** - In **TAC Registration Area**. Present the colored ticket in your name badge to the volunteer. Then pick up your boxed lunch and water. Enjoy anywhere in the TAC Banquet Hall, TAC lobby or WSC workshop rooms.
- **Continuing Education** - Attendance and STARS certificates and credits request available after 2:15 pm at the TAC Registration area.
- **Parking** - All spaces in lots (*except for spaces marked Reserved*) and adjacent streets are open and available for free parking.
- **Evaluation Forms** - Please complete the form and give to Conference volunteers at Closing Ceremony. Include your name and contact information to be eligible and enter the prize drawing.
- **Coffee and Refreshments** are available for purchase from 7:30 am - 2:00 pm at the TAC Coffee Stand.
- **Raffle Baskets** - Located at The Link/Autism Coalition table outside the banquet hall. This is a fundraiser to support the Coalition and the conference. Tickets are \$1 each, or 6 for \$5, 13 for \$10, or 30 for \$20. **Must be present to win.**
- **Name Badges** - Please leave your name badge with a volunteer as you exit the Closing Ceremony.

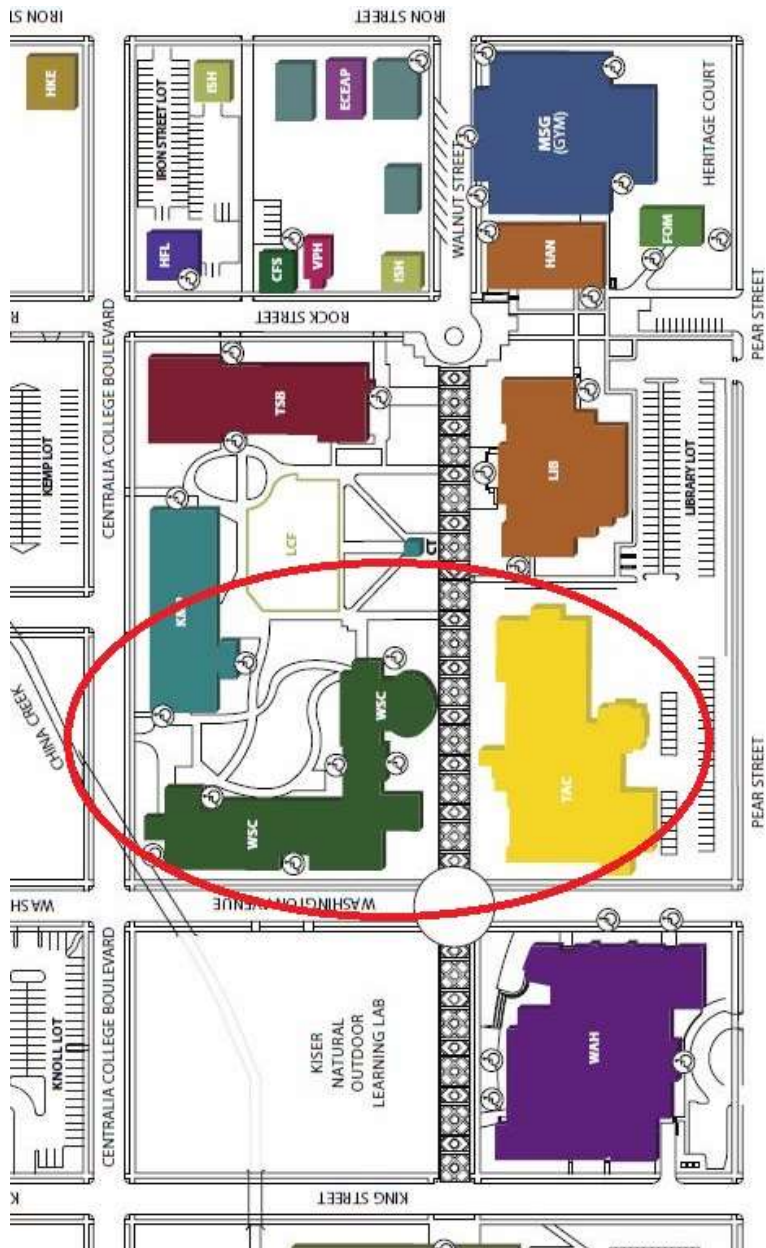
## Vendor Fair 8:00 am - 1:30 pm

<b>TransAlta Commons</b>	
<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Representative</b>
BASICS NW	Danielle Dickinson
Centralia College	Ashleigh Ashton
Compass Career Solutions	Karyn Foster
Cultivating Inclusion - Lewis County	Linda McKinnie
Let's Play Something	Toni Bennett
Lewis County Autism Coalition/Link	Victoria Romero
Lewis County Parent to Parent In-Tot Developmental Center	Melody Porter
Lewis County SPARC – People First	Paula Wind
Molina Healthcare	Aideet Pineda. Carlos Mejia Rodriguez
Morningside	Lisa Davis
Northwest Pediatric Center	Jennifer Polley, MD
Pope's Place	Naimbet Medina
Providence Centralia Hospital Rehab Therapies	Rachelle Peterson
Providence Sexual Assault Clinic and Child Maltreatment Center	Tina Olson
Reliable Enterprises	Andy Skinner

## Vendor Fair 8 am - 1:30 pm

<b>Walton Science Center Vendor</b>	<b>Representative</b>
Centralia Timberland Library	Alexis Hardy
Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA)	Cathleen Corcoran
Guardian Friends of LC & the LC Guardian Ad Litem Program	Denise Link
Health & Hope Free Clinic	Rebecca Fugate
Informing Families Building Trust/DDC	Michelle O'Dell
Kaplan Early Learning Company	Kathryn Gauthier
Lewis County Work Opportunities	Martin Aven
NFXF Washington State Chapter	Michelle O'Dell
Office of Developmental Disabilities Ombuds	Noah Seidel
Seattle Children's Autism Center	Daniel Cho
Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance	Amy Figoni
South Puget Sound ABA	Michael Keith
Successful Solutions Training in Child Development	Corinne Frieremuth
The Human Response Network	Barbara Burnett
Thorbeckes Athletic club	Sue Hill
Tilikum	Maribeth Jensen
Washington Autism Alliance and Advocacy	Beth Hammer
WA State ABLE Savings Plan	Chris Gagnon

# Centralia College Map





# Thank you for all your support!

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## Special Thank You's to:

- **Centralia College** for your hospitality and on-site conference services!
- **Holiday Inn Express** for donating lodging for our keynote speaker
- **Fun and Function** for the tote bags
- **Kaplan Early Learning Company** for Conference folders
- **Safeway Chehalis** for food donation

The following **Raffle Basket Donors** boost the financial capacity of the Coalition to provide direct services and to host the annual conference:

Centralia College  
Napavine Family Chiropractic  
and Massage  
Michael's Warehouse  
Cardinal Glass  
Apple Tree Productions  
Centralia Auction  
Fiddlers Coffee

Great Wolf Lodge  
Jeremy's Farm to Table  
Restaurant  
Terrilyn James  
In Tot (Birth to 3 Program)  
Shankz Black Light Miniature  
Golf



A broad array of community partners launched a county-wide education and awareness campaign to promote acceptance and empowerment of Lewis County residents who have intellectual, behavioral and/or physical differences.

**Our mission:** We promote a welcoming culture for people of all abilities and act in meaningful ways that inspire, support and celebrate inclusion.

**Our Vision:** Lewis County welcomes all people with respect, acceptance, understanding and engagement at school, work, and in our community.

Learn more at [cultivatinginclusion.org](http://cultivatinginclusion.org)

Get involved by emailing [inclusion@lcautism.org](mailto:inclusion@lcautism.org)

### **GIVE LOCAL! ONLINE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN**

Starting today you can support Cultivating Inclusion through an online giving campaign hosted by Community Foundation of South Puget Sound. **If you give during the conference you will be eligible for a prize to be drawn during the 2:30 pm closing plenary.**

Go to this website [c-fund.us/n6f](http://c-fund.us/n6f) and give generously.



## Lewis County Autism Coalition

Working Together in SW Washington

**Mission:** We are a catalyst for community action and advance success in school, work and life for people on the autism spectrum.

**Vision:** Lewis County values and supports lifelong success for all individuals and families living with autism through access to quality education, recreation and employment resources.

**Find out more at [lcautism.org](http://lcautism.org)**



**Like us on Facebook!**

### **2020 - 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

The Autism Coalition turns 10 in 2020 and we plan to celebrate.

- Buy a T-shirt today at the Autism Coalition table
- Tell Our Story: we will produce a video and use the media to detail our past success and future plans
- Honor Our Founders: we will honor the people responsible for our early start

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