

DISHUBILITY NEWS

A resource for students of all abilities

Organization Highlights

Interested in a club, mentoring program, or leadership opportunity? Then check out the following ways to connect on campus and get involved today!

P.A.L.S.

Partnering for Achievement and Learning Success

Neurotypical students and those with autism spectrum disorder are paired with one another in the P.A.L.S. program. Throughout the semester student pairs will provide companionship to one another and can attend monthly group social events. Students will build pal friendships and learn to become more engaged with activities on campus.

Interested students should reach out to Grace Bradshaw (gbradsh2@kent.edu).

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DisHUBility Fall Opening

Students of all neurodiversities and their allies are invited to the Fall 2019 opening of the disHUBility Resource Center on September 18th. The disHUBility Resource Center is a room where students of differing abilities can come to relax, socialize, connect with campus resources, and find student leadership opportunities. Stress management resources such as noise canceling headphones, board games, puzzles, coloring books, information resources and more will be available for student use.

Student volunteers will staff the DisHUBility Monday-Friday from 9:00am-5:00pm. The HUB is located in room 136 in the Main Library, adjacent to Student Accessibility Services.



Peer-To-Peer Mentoring

Are you an upperclassman looking to share your experiences? Or a new student looking for guidance? Then Peer-to-Peer may be for you! New students to Kent State University with autism spectrum disorder can be paired with a fellow upperclassman on the spectrum. Upperclassmen can answer questions and share experiences which led them to be a successful student with their peer. If interested, in this leadership opportunity email Dr. Lisa Audet (autism@kent.edu).

Autism Connections Kent

A student organization created by autistic students and allies with the goal of promoting and creating autism acceptance

- Meets Tuesdays 6pm-7pm
- Game nights, discussions, guest speakers, movie nights, and other activities for autistic students and allies

For more information, email autismconnectkent@gmail.com



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Event Calendar

The DisHUBility staff are excited to announce new HUB events coming this fall! Come in and explore these new opportunities. Dates and times will be posted as events are finalized.

September

Fall Opening

Join the DisHUBility for the fall opening and the rest of the month to say a final goodbye to summer. Stop in to meet some of our amazing volunteers and enjoy a treat while supplies last!

October

UnDatable Dismantled

Accompany the DisHUBility for a showing of the documentary *Autism in Love* or an episode of *The unDatables*. Following the screening will be a facilitated discussion about the challenges of dating on the spectrum.

November

Creative BEings

Come and explore your creativity through [specific art activity here]! Faculty will lead students through this adaptive art experience. Afterwards, students may keep the creations, or leave them to be displayed in the HUB.



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