

### TOTS TALK

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### **Trunk or Treat**

- This month's newsletter will be highlighting Thanksgiving Dinner strategies
- Trunk or Treat
   Spirit Week
   highlights
- Circle of Support November 8th
- Wrap Around Care -November 19th
- Both Clinics will be closed for the Thanksgiving Hoilday, Thursday November 27, and Friday November 28
- Exciting things are happening at Tots to Teens. Check us out on Facebook and Instagram to stay connected.

















### Halloween Spirit Week

Thank you to everyone who was able to participate.





# Tips on how to approach the Thanksgiving meal

- Introduce some of the Thanksgiving foods on month prior to the big meal.
- Encourage your child to help plan the meal with some preferred Items at the table.
- Encourage your child to help prepare some of the meal so they are engaging with the food prior to eating.
- If you feel like your child needs accommodations then reach out to families and friends in advance letting them know what you'll need or that your child may not be present at the table.
- plan non-food activities that allow her to sit and participate without a food focus.
- Remember to celebrate little successes. See
  the 7 sensory steps to eating. Eating food Is
  the last step so consider It a win If your child
  engages with the food In any manner by
  holding It, smelling, kissing, licking, biting Into
  the food, nibble and If they take a full bite.



### **Visual Sensory Steps**

Hold it

2.

1.

Smell it

3.



Kiss it

4.



Lick it

5.



Bite into

6.



Nibble it (spitting out is acceptable)

7.



Eat it





### \*\*\*New \*\*\* List of our Favorite Therapy Products

Our therapists are excited to share their list of items that support your child's development at home. Parent Resources, Oral Therapy, Toys, Games and Books that we love.



totstoteenstherapy.com/favorite-therapy-products

### Reminder:

### Kayla's Korner

- Tots to Teens Clinics will be closed Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28,
- Please use the Oceans Friends app if your child has a day off from school and you need to cancel, switch to a virtual visit, or would like to see if an earlier time is available for that day.
- All session payments and copayments are now due at the time of service.
   Prepayment can be made using the link on our website or you can pay at the front desk.
- Please remember to let Katie W, <u>authorizations@totstoteenstherapy.com</u> know if your insurance has changed. Failure to notify us of these changes can result in unexpected charges.

## Free Screening Coupons!!

or occupational therapy.

If you know anyone that would like to come in for a free screening please contact the front desk.



## CAREGIVER SUPPORT

**November 19** 

6:00-7:00PM

We will meet over Zoom

**Topic: Sibling Support** 



We are a safe, understanding space to share experiences, encourage and connect with others. All parents and caregivers are welcome.

- Meet other parents
- Get your questions answered
- Discuss important information

To Register <u>click</u> Below Or contact authorizations@totstoteenstherapy.com







# 2025 CIRCLE OF SUPPORT CONFERENCE

A Conference for Families of Children with Special Needs and the Professionals who Work with Them.



Dr. Stephen Shore

Adelphi University
Garden City, NY

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS:** 

4 A'S OF AUTISM: AWARENESS, ACCEPTANCE, APPRECIATION, AND ACTION AS A PATHWAY TO FULFILLING AND PRODUCTIVE LIVES

### **REGISTRATION FEES:**

On or before October 3, 2025 \$20 Self Advocates \$45 Parents \$60 Professionals Starting
October 4, 2025
\$25 Self Advocates
\$60 Parents
\$90 Professionals

### CONFERENCE LOCATION:

**Hylton High School** 14051 Spriggs Road Woodbridge, VA 22193

### **CONFERENCE TIME:**

8:00am - 2:30pm

### Breakout sessions on topics such as:

Art therapy

Self-Determination

**⊘** SpecialNeedsTrusts

🔇 Homework Strategies

ONLINE REGISTRATION WILL BE AVAILABLE BY LATE AUGUST.



Saturday, 08 November 2025







### We are Accepting New Patients

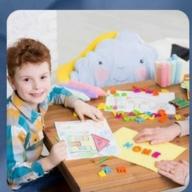
We have openings for Speech,
Occupational , Feeding, and Physical
Therapy.

Complete your intake form at www.totstoteenstherapy.com









Occupational Therapy

Speech Therapy

Feeding Therapy Physical Therapy

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