

Our Shared Space – A Home and Virtual Classroom

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Who we are...

- ▶ Formed Families Forward, a family-led resource center in No Va
- ▶ Provide training and direct support to foster, adoptive and kinship families who are raising children and youth with special educational needs, and professionals who work with our families.
- ▶ We offer free training, *Stronger Together* peer support groups, consultations to families, events, resources, classes, and systems navigation. New Respite program!
- ▶ Family partner to Virginia Tiered Systems of Supports (VTSS)

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Who is our guest

- The Organizing Mentors.....
- Help people reclaim their space mentally and physically.
- Assist with organizing, purging, donation and selling and finding a place for what's left.
- Are Certified Senior Move Managers. They manage the whole moving process from start to finish.
- Empower their clients to repair peace of mind and calm beyond the clutter.

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What are we going to learn today?

- ▶ How to create a space that accommodates the needs of parents and caregivers to work from home while children and youth participate in their virtual school classes.
 - ▶ Discuss the importance of creating a dedicated space to prevent conflicts with the work of others and distractions by family members.
 - ▶ Identify dedicated work space within the home for easy sharing amongst family members who telework and complete distance learning classes for school.
 - ▶ Provide recommendations for supplies and equipment to create a comfortable and sharable workspace within the home.

Getting Started Today

- ➔ Plan now to reduce stress later.
- ➔ Increase your bandwidth to accommodate additional devices.
- ➔ Utilize your cell phone's hotspot for additional connectivity.
- ➔ Get the kids involved in creating their classroom. Give them a sense of ownership. Make it fun!

Creating Dedicated Work Space

Why is it important to create a dedicated space to prevent conflicts with the work of others and distractions by family members?



Finding Dedicated Work Space



What should families consider when identifying dedicated space within the home to complete their office and school work?

Accommodating Multiple Grade Levels

How can families set up a space to accommodate multiple grades, or college students who are completing online classes from home at the same time?



Combating the “Wiggles”

What can parents or caregivers include in the space that will allow their child, or themselves to move around without causing too much distraction for others in the dedicated work space?



Furnishing the Dedicated Work Space

How can we easily transform the dedicated work space with supplies, equipment and furniture that will not break their budget?



Resources to Help Set up the Dedicated Space

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If parents or caregivers are looking for resources to set up their dedicated space, are there any websites they can visit for ideas?

Discussion Time!

- ▶ Chat your question or comment in.
- ▶ Kelly will call on you and unmute you if possible.
- ▶ We have limited time so please keep the question or comment brief and succinct!

- ▶ Remember to Like us on Facebook- <https://www.facebook.com/FormedFamiliesForward> and follow us on Insta and Twitter
- ▶ Please complete the BRIEF evaluation at end. Join us for last session next week too!

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