

Parents of Transition-Aged Youth with Intellectual Disability Needed for Research Study

Greetings! My name is Kimberly Patton and I am a doctoral candidate in Special Education at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign working under the advisement of Drs. Stacy Dymond and Meghan Burke. We are looking for participants for an exciting research project that focuses on the extent that individuals between the ages of 14-22 with intellectual disability are engaging in household tasks. Additionally, this study seeks to understand the relation between engagement in household tasks and parental expectations for employment outcomes. We hope after reading the description of the study below that you will contact us if you would like to participate or if you have any questions.

Title of the Project: Household Tasks and Parent Expectations for Employment

About the Project: As a participant, you will complete an online questionnaire that should take about 20 minutes. If you would prefer to complete the questionnaire in a paper format, please let us know and we will send the questionnaire by mail with a self-addressed stamped return envelope. We believe the information in this questionnaire will help to identify factors that influence engagement in household tasks and contemplate what schools can do to support parents in involving their adolescent and young adult children in household chores.

Potential Participants: Please consider participating in this study if:

- (a) You are the legal parent of a transition-aged youth (i.e. between the ages of 14-22) with intellectual disability, and
- (b) your child currently lives with you.

If you choose to complete the questionnaire, you have the option to participate in a drawing to receive one of twenty-five \$20 Amazon gift cards. This is optional and your enrollment into the drawing will not be linked to your questionnaire responses.

If you are interested in participating in this study, please contact Kimberly Patton by email at kagentry@illinois.edu and you will be sent a link to participate. If you prefer a paper format of the questionnaire, please indicate your preference along with a mailing address, and you will be mailed a paper version that includes a self-addressed stamped return envelope.

Also, please consider forwarding this information on to any parents who might be interested in participating in the study.

Thank you,
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Thank you for considering participating in our project!