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MEMORANDUM

TO: Directors, Exceptional Children Programs
Lead Administrators, Charter Schools

FROM: Sherry H. Thomas, Director *SH*
Exceptional Children Division

SUBJECT: Extended Standards New Electives Training
NC Vocational Preparation and Health, Safety and Independent Living

The Extended Standards New Electives professional development will establish and implement training and program support services to meaningfully improve the performance and success of students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities (SCD) in North Carolina. SCD students are those students accessing the general curriculum through the Extended Content Standards (ECS). The two new elective courses: Health, Safety and Independent Living and Vocational Preparation are **mandated** for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. This training will provide valuable resources and knowledge base to participants implementing the new electives. The objectives of this course are:

- Identify Meaningful Individualized Assessments specific to both courses
- Identify Curriculum Resources that address content of both courses
- Identify Best Teaching Practices to assure acquisition of skills for both courses
- Ideas for Lesson Planning – How to support skills for students with significant disabilities, how to break down and scaffold for individualized needs

The training for this course will be a 1-day, interactive session, providing participants the resources to utilize within instructional practices. The targeted audience for this training is high school teachers, program coordinators, related service professionals, coordinating teachers and any professional working with high school age students on the ECS. Participants will receive .6 CEU's for attending the session.

Please make sure those attending are the people who register. Training materials will be sent electronically to the email address listed on the registration.

Date	Location
May 8, 2019 8:30 – 4:30	175 Bingham Road, Asheville, NC 28806
May 9, 2019 8:30 – 4:30	236 8th Ave Cramerton, NC 28032

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May 10, 2019 8:30 – 4:30	416 Executive Dr # B, Wilkesboro, NC 28697
May 13, 2019 8:30 – 4:30	Sadie Saulter Educational Center 400 Spruce St. Greenville, NC 27834
May 16, 2019 8:30 – 4:30	126 Alexander Drive, Lillington, NC 27546
May 23, 2019 8:30 – 4:30	TBD Southeast Region
May 24, 2019 8:30 – 4:30	1712 Vaughn Rd. Burlington, NC 27217

You **must** register through the link provided. Space is limited to only 50 participants per location on a first come basis: https://ncdpi.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0wfG7vQf1OFSqsR

Questions regarding this professional development may be directed to Matthew Martinez at matthew.martinez@dpi.nc.gov or 919-807-4059.

The EC Division is creating a listserv intended for professionals working with students with significant disabilities. The members can include EC directors, program specialists, ECS teachers, related service professionals and para-professionals. The purpose of this listserv is to offer support and professional development opportunities for people teaching and supporting students with significant disabilities. The link below is provided for those interested in joining the listserv: https://ncdpi.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7UL1eEReaHCdfyR Please share as appropriate with staff.