Return your application by
July 1, 2015

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Questions?
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Parents as Presenters
September 25 & 26, 2015

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You have a story to tell!

Do you know when college students hear directly from families, they become better teachers, social workers and medical professionals?

You are invited to apply for “Parents as Presenters”. The workshop will teach and demonstrate the skills you need to effectively share your story with college students and community providers. You will be learning and working with other parents who have children with disabilities during the workshop.

There are no registration costs for attending the workshop. Participants will be selected through an application process. The applicants selected to attend the workshop will receive a stipend of $375.00 per family to assist with some of the expenses incurred by attending the workshop. (For example: hotel, meals, costs for travel or childcare.)

Telling your Family Story

The workshop will help you understand the many purposes of telling your family story to an audience in a positive way.

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**Family Centered Services**

Children with disabilities are a part of a family. Service providers will understand that their own expertise is enhanced when they consider the family as a valuable resource.

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**Our Kids are kids first**

With your story, you can show children with disabilities are kids first and have the same hopes and dreams as other children. Your stories help teach others about the importance and the benefit of children with disabilities in our communities now and as adults.

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**Fill out this form and mail it to the address on the back of this brochure. The following information will be used to select the workshop participants. Please fill out the entire form!**

**Apply for the Parents as Presenters workshop on line by JULY 1, 2015**

https://www.educateiowa.gov/event/2015-parents-presenters

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