

# *Welcome to the Tulsa County Parental Involvement Institute!*



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# AGENDA

- 8:30-9:00 am Registration/Continental Breakfast
- 9:00-9:30 am **Welcome**  
**Sharon Coppedge Long, Executive Director**  
Oklahoma Parents Center, Inc.
- Updates from the OSDE**  
**Christa Knight,**  
Oklahoma State Department of Education  
*“This session will explore current opportunities and challenges in Special Education with an emphasis on providing access to students with disabilities.”*
- 9:30-10:30 am **Accommodations Training**  
**Sheila Butler,**  
Oklahoma State Department of Education  
*“This training will help you understand how to make good choices about accommodations to improve success in school with examples of accommodations to include on the child’s IEP.”*
- 10:30-10:45 a.m. Break
- 10:45-11:30 a.m. **Assistive Technology Training**  
**Allyson Robinson,**  
Oklahoma ABL Tech  
*“This workshop provides an overview of Assistive Technology including definitions, examples, and types of AT students often need.”*
- 11:30-12:00 pm Lunch provided
- 12:00-1:30 pm **Individualized Education Program (IEP) Training**  
**Sharon Coppedge Long, Executive Director**  
**Deidra Edwards, Information Training Specialist**  
Oklahoma Parents Center, Inc.  
*“This training is designed to provide participants with basic information on the IEP process and to help promote the meaningful participation of all IEP team members.”*
- 1:30-2:30 pm **How Do I Keep My Cool When the Situation Gets Hot!**  
**Jo Anne Blades, J.D., Program Manager**  
Special Education Resolution Center (SERC)  
*“This presentation will discuss when a child’s behavior flairs up, learn how to talk it out between parents and school staff without acting it out!”*
- 2:30-2:45 pm Break
- 2:45-3:45 pm **Section 504 and Students with Disabilities**  
**Kayla Bower,**  
Oklahoma Disability Law Center  
*“The presentation covers how a student qualifies for Section 504 protection; it discusses the rights of students under Section 504 as well as school districts’ responsibilities under Section 504. The presentation also compares IDEA and students on IEPs to Section 504 and students on Section 504 plans.”*
- 3:45-4:00 pm Closing/Giveaways/Evaluations