Welcome to SASP at Kent State!

Hello SASP!

If this is your first year in the program, welcome! For those of you returning, welcome back! Hopefully you enjoyed a fun and restful summer break.

If you have not met with your mentor or mentee yet, try to find a time to get together in the first few weeks of class. (Those new to the program will receive mentor matches soon.) Fall semester can certainly be a challenging time, and having the support of a mentor can be extremely helpful! Don’t be afraid to reach out to your mentor, other second year students, or your classmates.

We’re here to help!

What is SASP?

Student Affiliates in School Psychology, or SASP, is a graduate student organization, of which KSU School Psychology students are automatically members. SASP works under the guidance of the American Psychological Association the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). SASP facilitates social cohesion, community and campus involvement, and professional development within the program.
SASP Goals 2018-2019
To facilitate meaningful activities for student involvement through
- Coordination of one or more community activities
- Volunteering with the KSU Depression Screening Day
- Promoting awareness and recruitment to the field through School Psychology Awareness Week

To provide a framework of support for current graduate students by:
- Encouraging the communication between first and second-year students
- Promoting student mentorship by offering support and guidance in the areas of academics, wellness, and time management
- Coordinating regular social events that help students to connect with their cohort and mentor

Meet the SASP Board!
Chair: Angela Cappuzzello
Vice Chair: Emily Rinaldi
Secretary: Jamie Naader
Treasurer: Mariah Rossiter
Social & Mentorship Coordinator: Erin Citraro
National, State, & Local Liaison: Morgan Snyder
Doctoral Representative: Akanimo Akpan
Intern Representative: Rachel Desai
GSS Representative: TBD
First Year Representatives: TBD

School Psychology Awareness Week
School Psychology Awareness Week (or, SPAW), is November 12th-16th.
This year’s theme is Unlock Potential, Find your Password. The theme encourages us to hone in on skills and characteristics that help us to unlock our own potential. It can also help us connect with youth and guide them towards growth by looking at steps to success as levels in a game.

For this year’s SPAW activities, we will likely have a bake sale fundraiser, educate undergraduate students about the field of school psychology through classroom visits (hopefully recruiting a few program applicants!), and potentially partner with the Summit County Educational Service Center.

We will have more information as SPAW gets closer. Get ready for a fun and educational week!

SASP Meeting Dates, Fall 2018
SASP meetings this semester will be at 3:45 in room 414H
- September 12th
- October 24th
- November 7th
- December 5th

If you are not a member of the SASP board but would like to attend, please do! Meetings are casual and open to everyone. Minutes are sent out after each meeting to keep everyone updated on SASP activities.

Visit: http://www.kent.edu/ehhs/ides/spsy/sasp For more information & updates!
Email erinald2@kent.edu or acappuz2@kent.edu with questions!
Community Involvement

If you are looking for unique volunteering opportunities, consider Super Service Saturdays through the office of Community Engaged Learning. You can choose from a variety of volunteer sites, including homeless shelters, animal shelters, group homes, and churches. Some notable upcoming days of service are October 27th (Make a Difference Day) and December 1st (Spirit of the Season Day). November 12-17 is also Hunger and Homelessness awareness week as well as SPAW. Activities are planned throughout the week.

SASP School Supply Drive

This year, SASP will be conducting a school supply drive benefitting students in Portage County. Donations will be collected on campus in the school psychology graduate assistant office (414H) to be taken to The United Way. Your generous donation will help students in need reach their academic potential!

Please bring donations by August 30th!

See the list below for suggested items

Supply List
Glue Bottles
Glue Sticks
School Scissors
Pencil Sharpener
Erasers
College Ruled Loose Leaf Paper
Wide Ruled Loose Leaf Paper
College Spiral Notebooks
Wide Spiral Notebooks
Crayon Box (24)
Colored Pencils
Pack of Markers
Rulers
Hi-Liters
Red Pens
Black Pens
Blue Pens
Pencils
Pocket Folders (without prongs)
Pocket Folders (with prongs)
1” 3 Ring Binders

COMMON ACRONYMS

SLD – Specific Learning Disability
OHI – Other Health Impairment
ASD – Autism Spectrum Disorder
CD – Cognitive Disability
ED – Emotional Disturbance
TBI – Traumatic Brain Injury
ELL - English Language Learner
FBA – Functional Behavioral Assessment
CBM – Curriculum Based Measurement
SLP – Speech Language Pathologist
OT – Occupational Therapist
PT – Physical Therapist
SPSY – School Psychology
ODE – Ohio Department of Education
OSPA – Ohio School Psychologists Association
NASP – National Association of School Psychologists
IDEA – Individuals with Disabilities Act
IEP – Individualized Education Program
ETR – Evaluative Team Report
MFE – Multifactored Evaluation
RTI – Response to Intervention
PBIS – Positive Behavior Supports
MTSS - Multitiered Systems of Supports
National, State, and Local Organizations

If you haven’t yet joined NASP or renewed your membership, now is a great time to do so! NASP has wonderful resources and information for its members. It also holds an annual conference in February where you can learn about a variety of topics from experts and stay up to date on the latest research in our field.

Also consider affiliate organizations:
• American Psychological Association (APA)
• Ohio School Psychologists Association (OSPA)
• Kent/Akron Association of School Psychologists (KAASP)
• Cleveland Association of School Psychologists (CASP)

HELPFUL RESOURCES

For School Psychologists:
Nasp.org – Information, articles, position statements, and other great resources for school psychologists

Interventioncentral.org – Lists of evidence-based interventions

ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/ - What Works Clearinghouse is another resource for finding evidence-based solutions for students

For Grad Students:
Instructional Resource Center (IRC) – Books, test kit rentals, and technology rentals (and a frequent study spot for school psych students!)

Office of Graduate Student Services – Graduation, plans of study, and other documentation for graduate students

Other Kent Campus Resources:
The Women’s Center
The LGBTQ+ Center
The Counseling Center
The Student Multicultural Center
Student Accessibility Services

Mark your Calendar!
Important Dates and Events, Fall 2018
• September 2018: First Year Representative Elections
• October 2018: School Psychology Fall Social
• October 2018: Candle Fundraiser
• November 12th-16th, 2018: School Psychology Awareness Week (SPAW)
• KSU Depression Screening: (TBA)