

*A Joint Presentation by Kingston City School District and  
Kingston Special Education Parent Group*

**Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 7:30pm**

**M. Clifford Miller Middle School**

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Open to all parents/caregivers and staff in the Kingston City School District and Ulster County

**Need more information about options for career development activities  
that will be offered upon entering high school?**

**Understanding the NYS Career Development and Occupational  
Studies (CDOS) Commencement Credential in Room #130**

Presented by Joyce Hawk of the Hudson Valley Special Education Parent Center

This presentation is recommended for parents of children with disabilities in 7th grade or higher to learn about the requirements for an important new exiting credential that only students with an IEP can earn upon exit from school. The CDOS Commencement Credential provides potential employers with documentation of a student's skills demonstrating their knowledge and experience needed for entry-level employment opportunities. The Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential which is awarded to students that have taken the NYS Alternate Assessment (NYSAA) will also be reviewed.



**NAMI** Ending the Silence  
National Alliance on Mental Illness



**A presentation by Tina Lee of**

**NAMI, for parents of Middle School and High School students in Room #132**

**Ending the Silence is a FREE early intervention prevention mental health presentation for students in Ulster County High Schools. Why does Ending the Silence matter?**

**1 in 5 children experience a mental health condition; only 20% of youth actually get help.**

**Suicide is the second-leading cause of death for 15-24 year olds.**

**About 50% of students age 14+ with a mental health condition will drop out of school.**

**Stigma is the greatest barrier to individuals receiving treatment and achieving recovery.**

**Early identification and intervention provides better outcomes!**

**Students learn about the signs and symptoms of mental illness, recovery and coping strategies, how to help friends, how to reduce stigma and other important topics that can help spread awareness and knowledge of mental illness.**

**For more information [www.nami.org/FIND-SUPPORT/NAMI-Programs/NAMI-Ending-The-Silence](http://www.nami.org/FIND-SUPPORT/NAMI-Programs/NAMI-Ending-The-Silence)**