



Student Progress Monitoring: What This Means for Your Child

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National Center on Student Progress Monitoring

Our children's progress is being monitored constantly at school, through the steady stream of homework assignments, quizzes, tests, projects, and standardized tests. On first hearing the term "student progress monitoring," our initial reaction may be "they're doing this already!" or "more tests?".

But do you really know how much your child is learning or progressing? Standardized tests compare your child's performance with other children's or with state standards. However, these tests are given at the end of the year; the teacher who has been working with your child during the year will not be able to use the test results to decide how to help your child learn better.

Progress monitoring can give you and your child's teacher information that can help your child learn more and learn faster, and help your child's teachers teach more effectively and make better decisions about the type of instruction that will work best with your child. In other words, student progress monitoring is not another way of assigning a number to your child; it is a way of helping the child learn and the teacher teach.

Parents of children who are receiving special education services receive regular reports of progress on their children's IEP goals, as mandated by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 (IDEA). However, this report is often mistakenly overlooked by parents and may not provide specific information based on recent data.

If you think your child is not making meaningful educational progress, this webinar will help answer this question and you will learn how to gather information from special education and general education sources.

Date: **Thursday, October 6, 2016**

Time: **8 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.**

Presenter: Shanida Mathieu

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Date: **Wednesday, October 19, 2016**

Time: **11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

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For parent convenience, we scheduled this webinar on two different days at two different times. If your schedule doesn't permit you to attend either, please give us a call at 504-888-9111 or 800-766-7736.



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