The Community Speaker Series

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Nationally Renowned Experts

Informing and Inspiring Families in the K-12 Community About Important Issues in Education, Wellness, and Parenting

2019-2020

Dr. William Stixrud and Ned Johnson

The Self-Driven Child

October 22, 2019, 9:30am - 11:00am October 22, 2019, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Location: The Community House



William Stixrud, Ph.D. is a clinical neuropsychologist and a faculty member at Children's National Medical Center and George Washington University Medical School. He lectures widely on the adolescent brain, meditation, and the effects of stress, sleep deprivation, and technology overload on the brain. Ned Johnson is the founder of PrepMatters, a tutoring service in Washington, DC, and a sought-after speaker and teen coach for study skills, parentteen dynamics, and anxiety management. Together, Dr. Stixrud and Mr. Johnson discovered that the best antidote to stress is to give kids more of a sense of control over their lives. They coauthored *The Self-Driven Child*, to teach parents how to set their children on the *real* road to success.

Screenagers: Next Chapter
Documentary Film & Discussion
With Dr. Delaney Ruston

Uncovering Skills for Stress Resilience

February 5, 2020, 9:30am - 11:30am February 5, 2020, 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Location: The Community House



Delaney Ruston, M.D., a filmmaker and physician, uses a personal lens and professional eye to help parents flip the script on stress, anxiety, and depression. In her new film *SCREENAGERS Next Chapter*, Ruston sets out to uncover how we understand these challenges in our current screen-filled society. And how we can empower teens with skills to overcome mental health challenges and build emotional agility, communication savvy, and stress resilience.

Katie Hurley, LCSW

How to Raise Empathic and
Resilient Kids

April 21, 2020, 7:00pm - 8:30pm April 22, 2020, 9:30am - 11:00am

Location: The Community House



Katie Hurley, LCSW is a child and adolescent psychotherapist, parenting expert, and writer. She is the founder of "Girls Can!" empowerment groups for girls between ages 5-11. Hurley is also the author of *The Happy Kid Handbook* and *No More Mean Girls*. She practices psychotherapy in the South Bay area of Los Angeles and earned her BA in psychology and women's studies from Boston College and her MSW from the University of Pennsylvania.







