

Support Group Statement Mission

Provide a safe, positive environment in which participants can be supportive of each other while providing the opportunity for enrichment and education.

Code of Conduct

- The Sun, Moon & Stars Support Group (hereinafter "SMS Support Group") is a safe place.*
- The SMS Support Group is a kid-free zone. The goal is to provide a respite for parent participants while discussing important issues and/or hearing from various speakers. If participants-cannot find childcare and require input from the group, participants may contact the Administrator, Christine Faressa, for assistance in obtaining feedback from the SMS Support Group.
- If there is a sensitive topic to be discussed during the SMS Support Group, please contact the Administrator, Christine Faressa, prior to the meeting to avoid triggers for other participants in the SMS Support Group.
- The SMS Support Group is a positive place. Participants are all on different stages of their journeys with an ASD child or children. The meetings must be positive and respectful.
- The SMS Support Group has excellent relationships within the Watertown School System and goal is to work in a positive partnership as it continues to grow as an organization while advocating for-children.
- The SMS Support Group reserves the right to remove participants if the Code of Conduct is violated.

*DISCLAIMER: The purpose of the Sun, Moon & Stars Support Group and the Sun, Moon & Stars Support Group Facebook® page (hereinafter SMS Support Group) is for parents, guardians and caregivers to have a forum to ask or give advice, and to help and support one another. Adding a member without consulting the Administrator, Christine Faressa, is grounds for removal without notice. By participating in the SMS Support Group, you agree to comply with the rules in the pinned post and the following disclaimer: Any content, views, opinions and/or responses to questions submitted by the users of Facebook are solely the views and opinions of the person submitting them, and do not reflect the opinions of the creator of this Facebook group, Christine Faressa, or Sun, Moon & Stars.

The SMS Support Group is not responsible for content that third parties publish, post, upload, distribute, disseminate or otherwise transmit via this Facebook group. Participants must do their own research when receiving any information from this Facebook group. The Administrator does not guarantee prescreening or approval of any content, and does not warrant the accuracy, completeness or usefulness of any posting, or the status or legitimacy of any person making a post. You understand and agree that information on the Facebook page should not be relied upon without performing your own due diligence as to the legitimacy of the information disseminated.

You should not disclose any information through SMS Support Group that you would want treated confidentially.

The SMS Support Group is not affiliated with any medical, behavioral, or mental health facility, hospital or practice. The SMS Support Group does not have a legal duty to report suspected abuse or neglect of a member and/or a child under the care and supervision of a member. If a member is a mandated reporter by virtue of his or her occupation and suspects or has reasonable cause to suspect or believe that a that another member of the SMS Support Group, or a child under a member's care, has been a victim of abuse or neglect, then said member has a duty to comply with those statutory requirements that govern such reporting due to his or her occupation or profession.

SMS Support Group shall have the right (but not the obligation) in its sole discretion to refuse, delete, edit or move any content that is available via the Facebook group, at any time for any reason, at its discretion. You agree not to post any identifiable information of another individual. You agree to indemnify and hold harmless SMS Support Group with respect to any claims or demands against it, including any attorney fees and expenses, based upon your submission of information to this Facebook group.