

SIB SESSIONS



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Session Schedule

- September 17, 2022
- October 15, 2022
- November 19, 2022
- December 17, 2022
- January 21, 2023
- February 18, 2023
- March 18, 2023
- April 15, 2023
- May 20, 2023

To reserve a spot for SIB Sessions, please contact Diane Krasinski at 814-878-5961 by Wednesday prior to the session.

For additional information please call Shayla Andrews at 814-806-6408.



Shawn Miller
SIBs Coordinator

What are SIB Sessions?

SIB Sessions provide a comfortable setting for sharing and learning about the ups and downs of being a brother or sister to a sibling with a disability.

Nine group sessions are held throughout the year at the Barber National Institute on the third Saturday of the month from 9am –noon.

During the sessions, participants are able to swim in the Barber National Institute pool, eat a light breakfast and enjoy a variety of fun activities such as crafts, games and field trips.

SIB Sessions are offered to siblings ages 5 through 15 (16th birthday being the cut off date) and are offered free of charge to all participants.

Shawn Miller is returning to his position as SIB SESSIONS COORDINATOR. Shawn graduated from Edinboro University in 1995 with his Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education. In 2012, he obtained his master's degree from Edinboro in Special Education and started working at the Barber National Institute. He worked as a Sib sessions coordinator for many years but left to obtain his Doctor of Education degree. In 2020, he defended his dissertation on Teacher Retention at the University of Pittsburgh. He is currently enrolled at Edinboro University once again to obtain his Principal and Special Education Supervisor Certifications. In addition to teaching for the Barber National Institute and Sib Sessions, Shawn works with three clients in the Agency With Choice program. He further is an adjunct professor in the education department at Mercyhurst University, volunteers with Gliding Stars of Erie, volunteers as a Chapter Advisor for the Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity at Gannon University, and serves on the board for the ARC of Erie County. In his free time, Shawn can be found with his husband Jerry and his dogs Marston, Braxton, and Nicklaus.