## SIBSHOPS



## Did you know?

Sisters and brothers will likely have the longest-lasting relationship with a sibling who has special needs or disabilities. During their lives, they will experience the unique joys and concerns their parents do, yet few will have the chance to talk about their experiences with other siblings who "get it".

Brothers and sisters of children with special needs, disabilities and chronic illness have a group that's just for them, Sibshops.

Sibshops are peer support groups that offer a safe and engaging space for siblings to learn, have fun, meet and be supported by other children who understand what it's like to have a sibling with special needs.

Interested in having your child(ren) participate in Sibshops? Contact Andréa to sign up for our fall groups

Sibshops are held monthly for children/youth 6-13 years of age

Contact Andréa Vugteveen for more information or to sign up for a group amvugteveen@gmail.com 616-460-3781

Sessions are held at Engage Therapy Center 10263 Chicago Dr Zeeland, MI 49464

Sibshops participant fee is \$10 per child Scholarships are available

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Children will have the opportunity to

Meet other children who understand the unique experience of having a sibling with special needs

Share their experiences and feelings about having a brother or sister with special needs

Learn more about their sibling's special needs

Learn new ways to cope with the challenges that come with being a sibling of a child with special needs

...and have lots of fun

## Fall Dates

September 9 October 7 November 4 December 2

Sibshops will be held from 9:00-11:00am

