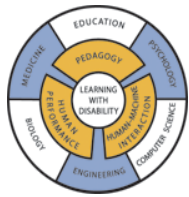


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## **Contact the Starting Wright Team**

If you have questions about ***Starting Wright***, would like to participate in testing the ***Starting Wright*** program, or know of someone who might have an interest please contact:

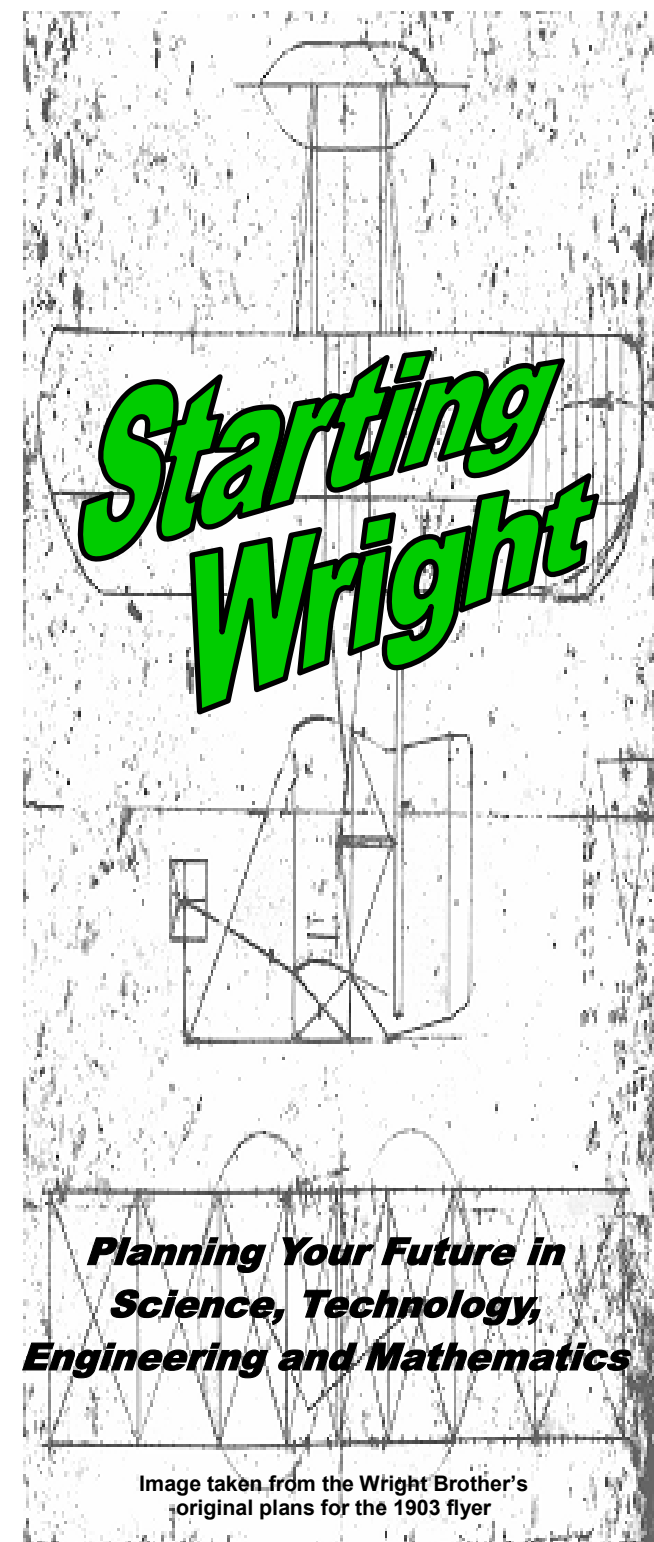
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## What is Starting Wright?

**Starting Wright** is a series of worldwide web broadcast programs for young people with disabilities who are in middle school or early high school. The programs are designed to help prepare students and their parents for education and careers after high school. **Starting Wright** explores careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields. The webcasts present information that students and parents can use to make informed and realistic decisions about pursuing STEM careers through appropriate high school class work and college planning. The **Starting Wright** program also offers practical advice on how to develop the personal, academic and thinking skills that students must gain while in high school to succeed in college and in rewarding STEM careers.



**Starting Wright** is a project of the Learning with Disability (LwD) program at Wright State University in Dayton, OH as a part of its interdisciplinary research on enhancing formal education and lifelong learning for people with all types of physical and learning disabilities. **Starting Wright** is a gateway to a set of interventions that will increase the number of persons with a disability who receive college degrees and go on to pursue careers in the STEM fields that are critical to our country's global competitiveness.

## How Starting Wright Works

**Starting Wright** uses internet webcast technology to produce live, interactive programs for students and parents that they experience as a family using a computer in their homes or other locations. Through these programs families can:

- Learn important things to consider when planning for the future.
- Discover how college can be feasible, accessible and affordable for students with disabilities.
- Find out what you must do during high school to get ready for success in STEM college studies and careers.
- Ask the experts questions during the broadcasts and send emails between the programs.
- Be guided to resources that can offer additional help in making informed decisions.

An important goal is to start the whole family talking about planning ahead and working together for the student's future.



## Sample Program Topics:

- Exploring STEM Careers
- People with Disabilities Working in STEM
- Assistive Technology to help with Math and Science Learning
- Developing the Personal Skills that Spell Success in College and Careers
- Learning to be a Critical Thinker and Problem Solver

## How Can We Participate in Starting Wright?

The LwD Program at Wright State is developing **Starting Wright** with the help of students that have disabilities. We are currently recruiting students and parents to help us test and improve the pilot webcast programs.

### Volunteer Family Requirements:

- **Have a student with a disability currently enrolled in grade 6 to 10 and expecting to earn a regular high school diploma.**
- **Have access to a computer with an internet connection.**
- **Will participate as a family (student and parents) in a series of 40-minute webcast programs on scheduled week-day evenings.**
- **Will complete one survey before the program series starts and one survey after the series of all four programs is over.**

### Have Questions? Want to Participate?

Please see the contact information for the **Starting Wright** team on the back of this brochure.