Books in the Library

*Quirky Kids* is written in the hope of offering help to families of children who are developmentally and socially different. The authors discuss the spectrum of developmental differences and disorders that encircle the ‘quirky kid’, helping to make sense of when it’s right to worry and when it’s okay not to worry. *Quirky Kids* is an enlightenment into the many facets of parenting a ‘quirky kid’ from “Dealing with the Diagnosis” to “The Quirky Child and the Educational System” to “The Science, Medical Science, and the Pseudoscience of Quirky Kids” and finally “Looking Ahead”-Adolescence and Adulthood. Various therapy options are discussed.

"Highly recommended, practical, compassionate, and thorough." (Library Journal (starred review)).

"Every parent of a 'quirky kid' needs this book"-T. Berry Brazelton, M.D.

**Do Vaccines Cause That?!** *A guide for evaluating vaccine safety concerns* by Martin G. Myers and Diego Pineda, 2008

Do vaccines cause autism, asthma, diabetes? There is so much conflicting information out there. Although science does not provide answers to all the questions that concern you, science is the best tool we have to get reliable answers.

**More Vaccine books**

*Factcines: “facts on vaccines” just the data no opinions you decide.*

Susan Shoshana Weisberg, 2008

*Vaccinated, one man’s quest to defeat the world’s deadliest diseases.* Paul A. Offit, 2007

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There is also a consumer health collection in the Lamar Soutter Library located on the first floor of the medical school.
Memoirs of Special Interest: *Expecting Adam*, by Martha Beck

John and Martha Beck had two Harvard degrees apiece when they conceived their second child. Further graduate studies, budding careers, and a growing family meant major stress—not that they’d have admitted it to anyone. It was hard enough to admit it to themselves. As the pregnancy progressed, Martha battled constant nausea and dehydration. And when she learned her unborn son had Down syndrome, she battled nearly everyone over her decision to continue the pregnancy. She still cannot explain many of the things that happened to her while she was expecting Adam, but by the time he was born, Martha, as she puts it, “had to unlearn virtually everything Harvard taught [her] about what is precious and what is garbage.” (back cover)

*Hope’s Boy*, by Andrew Bridge

From the moment he was born, Andrew and his mother, Hope, shared a love so deep that it felt like nothing else mattered. But as her mental health steadily declined, authorities arrived and tore Andrew from his screaming mother’s arms. He was only seven years old. Hope was institutionalized, and Andrew was placed in foster care. After surviving one of our country’s most notorious children’s facilities, Andrew was thrust into a savagely loveless foster family that refused to accept him as one of their own. Andrew clung to academics and the kindness of teachers. All the while, he refused to surrender the love he held for his mother in his heart. Ultimately, Andrew earned a scholarship to Wesleyan, went to Harvard Law School and became a Fulbright Scholar. Andrew has fled the staggering odds set against him, and here in this memoir, he reveals who Hope’s boy really is. (back cover)

*Please Stop Laughing at Me*, by Jodee Blanco

While other kids were daydreaming about dances, first kisses, and college, Jodee Blanco was just trying to figure out how to get from homeroom to study hall without being taunted or spit upon as she walked through the halls. This powerful, unforgettable memoir chronicles how one child was shunned—and even physically abused—by her classmates from elementary school through high school. It is an unflinching look at what it means to be the outcast, how even the most loving parents can get it all wrong, why schools are often unable to prevent disaster, and how bullying has been misunderstood and mishandled by the mental health community. You will be shocked, moved, and ultimately inspired by this harrowing tale of survival against insurmountable odds. This vivid story will open your eyes to the harsh realities and long-term consequences of bullying. (back cover)

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