Parent Connection

Join the Parent Collaboration Group!

Parents of students served by Special Education in West Linn Wilsonville have many ways to connect with their schools. Just like all other families, we encourage you to communicate with your child's general education teacher(s), connect with school-based parent groups, attend school events, and volunteer when possible.

Families of students served by an IEP also have a special education case manager and other specialists who are good contacts for the family.

And, for those parents who are interested in helping us think about the big picture trajectory of Special Education services in West Linn-Wilsonville, we have another opportunity for you. The District and Parent Special Education Collaboration Group meets 4 times a year to learn together about the work of the Special Ed team and provide valuable input for future planning and initiatives.

The goals/purpose of the District and Parent Special Education Collaboration Group are:

- To provide input to the district in establishing priorities and goals for West Linn-Wilsonville Schools in supporting students with disabilities
- To be key communicators in developing deeper understanding around complex issues in special education
- To support collaboration in the special education process between parents and district educators
- To support the awareness of resources available to parents through the special education process and in positive community inclusion

Dates:

- Monday, October 9
- Monday, December 11
- Monday, March 5
- Monday, May 14

All Parent Collaboration Group meetings are 5-6pm at the District Office Board Room

FACT Parent Night – Understanding the IEP

We are excited to host a parent resource night on Understanding the IEP on November 13. This event, facilitated by Family and Community Together (FACT) will help parents learn about the key components of the IEP. It will also help parents understand the importance of their voice in the process.

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Empowering families experiencing disability.

In West Linn-Wilsonville, we value the partnership between schools and families. This creative connection with families is particularly important for students served by an Individualized Education Program (IEP). Parent and student participation in the IEP is critical to student success.

Each member of the IEP team brings a different and complementary perspective. General education teachers are experts in the grade-level content and instructional strategies. Special education teachers & specialists are experts in specially designed instruction and strategies to provide access to the grade-level curriculum. And the parents & student are experts in the student's life history - including life-long hopes and dreams.

At this family resource night, parents can learn how to engage in the IEP process in effective and productive ways.

We are proud to partner with FACT for this event. FACT is a leading voice for advocacy and support for families of students experiencing disability in Oregon.

Event Details:
Monday, November 13
5:00-6:00pm

District Office Board Room
22210 SW Stafford Rd
Tualatin, OR 97062

Future Parent Events:
Jan. 29 – *Transition to Kindergarten*
Apr. 23 – *Transition to Adulthood*