



Parent Connection

District Installs Evacuation Chairs

The West Linn-Wilsonville School District is installing evacuation chairs in all of the two-story school buildings across the district. Evacuation chairs are designed to allow the safe evacuation of students who use a wheelchair for mobility. The chair has wheels and rails that allow an adult to safely slide the student down a staircase and out of the building.

As part of the district’s ongoing commitment to ensuring the safety of all students, we partnered with Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue to review our safety and evacuation practices.



We included members of our Motor Services Team (Occupational and Physical Therapists) to ensure that we took into account the broad range of mobility needs among our students.

Staff in each building are being trained to use the evacuation chairs, and are practicing using them during fire/evacuation drills throughout the school year. By regularly practicing in a calm and orderly manner, students and staff are able to safely evacuate in the rare event of an actual emergency.

Join the District-Parent Collaboration Group

We value our partnership with parents. You know your children deeply and you have a life-long vision for their success and happiness. Your voice in the IEP meeting and your participation in school activities are very important ways for you to be involved.

In addition, parents can help us reflect on our district-wide vision and goals for special education and inclusive practices. We invite you to join us for the District-Parent Special Education Collaboration group. Feedback from this collaboration group over the years has led to our district’s involvement with the All Born (in) conference, strategies and tools for welcoming parents who are new to special education services, and pathways for communicating with a broader range of parents.

The District-Parent SPED Collaboration Group meets 4 times this year:

- Monday, September 30*
- Monday, December 16*
- Monday, March 2*
- Monday, May 11*

All meetings are 5:00-6:30pm at the District Office Board Room
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