Inclusive Education – Quick links

Advocating for your child in the school system

The Benefits of INCLUSION in the Classroom

Community Living Ontario: Education Advocacy
An inclusion resource library http://communitylivingontario.ca/inclusive_education/
Special Education Tribunal Hearings
http://asjn.communitylivingontario.ca/content/special-education-overview

Inclusion Tip Sheet
Inclusion is a set of practices and beliefs that involves educating all students, regardless of disability, in their neighbourhood daycare or preschool with appropriate supports and necessary services
http://connectability.ca/2011/03/22/inclusion-tip-sheet/

Supporting your child in the school system

Parent’s Education Handbook
A parent handbook to help with understanding special education in Toronto and to ensure the acceptance and belonging of children with additional learning support needs.
http://connectability.ca/2011/03/25/parent%E2%80%99s-education-handbook/

Identification Placement Review Committee (IPRC) Workshop
In this workshop we will take a look at the Identification Placement Review Committee the purpose of which is to discuss the exceptionality (the type of disability) and the educational placement of a student within the education system in Ontario.
https://youtu.be/ov8NQDnhn8w

Individual Education Plan (IEP) Workshop
In this workshop we will explore the Individual Education Plan, which is a written plan of learning goals and expectations for any student in the education system in Ontario who requires modifications or accommodations to the regular school program.
https://youtu.be/6FG5bWgI0zk
Sharing Information with Professionals Involved with Your Child

Getting The Most Out of Team Meetings
Over time, as a parent, you may come across a wide range of professionals involved with your child. [http://connectability.ca/2011/10/05/getting-the-most-out-of-team-meetings/](http://connectability.ca/2011/10/05/getting-the-most-out-of-team-meetings/)

Starting School

Starting School Workshop
Starting school is always a stressful time for children and families. The “Starting School” workshop will give you ideas on how to prepare for this transition and ease the stress of entering Kindergarten or starting in a new school. [https://youtu.be/vS0ruUDW7ZE](https://youtu.be/vS0ruUDW7ZE)

Worried About Starting School
While you can’t always know what your child is thinking, chances are he is both excited and nervous about starting school. [http://connectability.ca/2010/09/23/worried-about-starting-school/](http://connectability.ca/2010/09/23/worried-about-starting-school/)

Facilitating Friendships between Children
Before your child begins school you may want to provide him with opportunities to spend time with other children his age. This is the best way to help him develop the social skills he will need to make friends and get along with his classmates in kindergarten. [http://connectability.ca/2011/03/24/facilitating-friendships-between-children/](http://connectability.ca/2011/03/24/facilitating-friendships-between-children/)

Playtime
This is an interactive story that you can use with your child to help them set expectations of what school will be like. [http://connectability.ca/Garage/wp-content/themes/connectability/plugin/Lt_workshops/stories/play/play_start.html](http://connectability.ca/Garage/wp-content/themes/connectability/plugin/Lt_workshops/stories/play/play_start.html)

Getting ready for the first day on the school bus
The very first day of school is a big step in your child’s life. The first ride on the school bus is just as important as the first day at school itself. [http://connectability.ca/2010/08/03/getting-ready-for-the-first-day-on-the-school-bus/](http://connectability.ca/2010/08/03/getting-ready-for-the-first-day-on-the-school-bus/)
School Bus Safety workshop
An audio visual workshop teaching parents and children how to travel on the bus safely.
https://youtu.be/C4SgtBj8jiA

Supporting your child in the classroom

Creating A Child Information Binder
The “Child Information Binder” is a quick and easy reference tool for your family. It is a simple way to record your child’s strengths and needs, his likes, dislikes, and interests. Teachers or other professionals working with your child can use this information to support his on-going development. http://connectability.ca/2011/10/04/creating-a-child-information-binder/

A Communication Journal for Home and Classroom
For parents, teachers and caregivers, pick-up and drop-off times at the child care centre or school can be a hectic part of the day. http://connectability.ca/2010/09/23/a-communication-journal-for-home-and-classroom/

Spinclusion: A game celebrating differences and including everyone
A fun, interactive game that creates a welcoming and inclusive environment for children of all abilities and cultures. http://www.spinclusion.ca/

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