

Dear Parent/Community Member,

Parent Network of Western New York together with Neighborhood Legal Services, Inc. was awarded a grant to fund Special Education Workshops in your community. In order to meet your needs please fill out the survey below and return to:

Parent Network of WNY 1000 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14202 Attn: Theresa Drum

Who is your child? Age _____ Grade _____ School district _____ County _____

What may keep you from attending a workshop? _____ Transportation _____ Child Care Other _____

When is the best time for you to attend a workshop?

_____ Morning _____ Afternoon _____ Evening _____ Saturday Morning

Where is the best location for you? (library, agency, school etc.)

If you know a contact person at this location please list it here

Would you prefer a _____ half **day** (3 hour) or _____ full **day** (6 hour) workshop?

We Need Your Help!!! *What information will help you and your child/young adult the most right now?*

Please select 3 workshops below and number them from 1 -3 in order of importance.

_____ **Overview of Special Education**

You know your child needs help but you don't know where to start! Learn the steps to the special education process. Walk away with a better understanding of the law and regulations and know how to use them.

_____ **Overview of 504**

What if my child only needs some extra time and technology not full special education services?
What is a 504 plan and would it be an option for my child?

_____ **Record Review**

What do all those evaluations and test scores mean? Do you have a right to see your child's school records?
What is a classification?

_____ **Development of a Meaningful IEP**

What is an IEP? Where do I begin? Is it really individualized and about my child?
Walk away with a plan to be more involved in the planning of your child's education.

_____ **Assistive Technology**

What is assistive technology? What do I do if my child needs a "tool" to do what his/her peers are doing?
Learn your child's rights, the school's responsibility and ways technology can open doors!

_____ **Transition to Adulthood**

What happens after school? When do I start planning and what are my rights?
Walk away with a plan to be sure your child/young adult is ready to Live, Learn, Work and Play.

_____ **Binder Training**

Do you feel disorganized with all those reports? What information should I have at my fingertips?
Bring your documents and walk away with them organized in a binder.

_____ **Inclusion**

What is the least restrictive/most appropriate environment? What does inclusion look like?
Learn your child/young adult's rights and walk away with some ideas on how to work with the school staff.

_____ **Early Intervention and Preschool**

_____An overview of services available for children from birth through age 2 including transition to pre-school.
_____An overview of services available for children from three through age 5 including transition to kindergarten.

If you have any questions please contact

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This survey can also be completed on our website www.parentnetworkwny.org