

Helpful Resources

Wrights Law

Parents, educators, advocates and attorneys come to Wright's Law for accurate, reliable information about special education law, and advocacy for children with disabilities.

www.wrightslaw.com

National Dissemination Center for Children With Disabilities

Offers excellent information about children with disabilities including information about special education.

www.nichcy

Washington State Special Education Coalition

WSSEC brings parents and professionals together to advocate for quality education for all children especially those with special education needs.

www.wssec.org

The Arc of King County

Parent to Parent Support

Parents are matched with other parents who have children with similar disabilities for support and information.

Cathy Murahashi 206-829-7039

cmurahashi@arcofkingcounty.org

School District Email Groups

These email groups are for parents only.

To subscribe, send a blank email to one of the following addresses:

Bellevue –

bellevueparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Highline–

highlineparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Issaquah –

issaquahparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Kent –

kentparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Lake Washington –

lwsd-parents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Mercer Island –

mercerislandparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Northshore –

northshoreparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Renton –

rentonparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Riverview–

riverviewparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Shoreline –

shorelineparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Seattle –

ssdparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Tahoma –

tahomaparents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

King County Parent Coalition for DD

Systems advocacy & information

Margaret Lee Thompson– 425-883-6721

mlthompson5@arcofkingcounty.org

Parent Trainings

Joanne O'Neill 425-746-2178

Jponeill45@hotmail.com

Information, referral and individual advocacy

206-364-6337



Special Education Resources in King County



233 6th Ave N
Seattle, WA 98109

206-364-6337
1-877-964-0600
206-364-8140 Fax
1-877-666-2348 TTY

**The Governor's Office of
Education Ombudsman**

www.governor.wa.gov/oeo
866-297-2597

Provides: Information about your rights, free publications and trainings and can be a neutral third party to help resolve problems between families and public schools. This office also collects data about complaints and can make recommendations for system improvements.

**OSPI Special Education
Ombudsman**

www.k12.wa.us/specialed/ombudsman.aspx
360-725-6075
kristin.hennessey@k12wa.us

Provides information to help families and educators understand state and federal laws, rules and regulations, and to access training and support, technical information services, and mediation services as appropriate.

**Special Education
Support Center**

1-877-843-1343
www.specialeducationsupportcenter.org/

Provides phone assistance for families and educators. Training in partnership between families and educators. Also can provide free IEP facilitators.

**Sound Options Mediation and
Training Group**

Toll Free 1-800-692-2540
www.somtg.com

Provides free training and mediation services for parents and local school districts.

Washington PAVE

www.washingtonpave.org
800-572-7368 (v/tty)
wapave9@washingtonpave.com

Provides advocacy, information and training about special education services to assist you with locating services in your community.

**King County Division of
Developmental Disabilities
School to Work**

Program manager
Kelly Faulkner: 206-263-9044
<http://kingcounty.gov/healthservices/DD.aspx>



Works with schools, families and vendors to assist students with developmental disabilities in preparing for employment when they graduate.

**The Center for Change in
Transition Services**

www.seattleu.edu/ccts

Provides training and assistance to teachers, staff, administrators about transitions services. They have many publications and resources about transitions services including a guide for families.

**Office of Superintendent of
Public Instruction**

www.k12.wa.us
360-725-6000
PO Box 47200
Olympia, WA 98504

Office of Civil Rights

206-607-1600
Fax 206-607-1601
TDD 206-607-1641
Email: ocr.seattle.ed.gov

The Office of Civil Rights protects the civil rights of individuals. You can make citizens complaints if you feel your child has been discriminated against.

Disability Rights Washington

www.disabilityrightswa.org
206-324-1521
206-957-0728 TTY

A non-profit organization that protects the rights of people with disabilities. Provides information, referral and training about disability rights, including special education..