



September Parent Support Group

Topic: Back to School

SELPAs & Special Education

SUPPORT CONNECT EDUCATE 2 EMPOWER PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

DECREASE DISPARITIES and INCREASE ACCESS

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Access Nonprofit Center's PARENTING BLACK CHILDREN

VISION

Access

MISSION

Decrease Disparities - Increase Access

OBJECTIVE

Supporting Black/ African American Families in gaining access to information and resources

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Equity Partners

San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center & the Inland Regional Center.



AGENDA

1. Introductions
2. Icebreakers & Video
3. Presentation/Discussion

Topic: Back to School: SELPAs: Special Education

4. Q&A
5. Partner Programs
6. Resources Links
7. Giveaway \$\$\$\$

Representation Matters: Young Black Girls Reaction to Little Mermaid Trailer



PBC Upcoming Programs

Involvement, Volunteer and Paid Opportunities

- **Parent/Caregiver Support Groups** - Monthly
 - a. October 29th In-Person, Casa Colina Pomona, 9-12 (**Need Volunteers**)
- **Virtual Drop In Hours** - Monthly 2nd Wednesday 10-12noon
 - a. Oct 12th @10am Zoom
- **Family Fun & Wellness Holiday Party** - December (**Need Volunteers**)
- **Parent Advisory Board** - Quarterly
- **Parent Advocacy, Leadership & Training Coalition** (January & February Paid Stipend)
- **Parenting Black Babies in collaboration with Carousel Development (Supporting Early Intervention)** Screenings Dates Coming Soon
- **Cultural Humility: Black Voices & Developmental Disability Symposium** (Annually February)

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Topic:
Back to School: SELPAs: Special Education

Chime in if you have any comments or questions to add to this list?

Is it the same old thing?

Have you ever asked why is so difficult to get the appropriate services for my child(ren)?

Why are the meetings so long?

Why don't they do what they say they would do and what's in the IEP?

Special Education Department

1. School District

- a. Director of Special Education
- b. Program Specialist
- c. Supporting Team - Speech, Behavior, Counseling, OT

2. California Department of Education: Family Resources & Supports <https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/se/fp/>

Complaint Support Unit Provides assistance information and resources for parents, school districts, advocates, agencies and others of procedural safeguards regarding students between ages 3 and 21 with disabilities and their educational rights.

- Toll-free Help Line: 800-926-0648; Weekdays, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Videophone Line: 916-374-7182 (deaf/hard of hearing); Weekdays, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Email: speceducation@cde.ca.gov
- FAX: 916-327-3704

WHAT ARE SELPAs ?

Special Education Local Plan Area

In response to Federal laws, legislation was passed in California which provides the legal foundation for a comprehensive plan in special education and requires local districts and agencies to establish a Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) in order to address the needs of all children with disabilities.

Every School District in California is a member of a SELPA. Also, every Charter School is either a member of a SELPA, or is considered a school under a district that is a member.

What's the purpose of a SELPA?

The purpose of a SELPA is

- (1) to effectively provide the full complete support in placement and program options under the federal law,
- (2) to provide the least restrictive environment (LEA) for students with disabilities, and (best place for our children)
- (3) to provide a local governance system. (monitoring funding and services at school districts)

SELPA's Community Advisory Committee

The purpose of the CAC shall be:

- To provide information and resources to families of children with special needs including available services in their district, and additional services outside the district such as regional centers, disability information groups for parents, and other community activities
- To collect and provide information regarding parent support groups meeting in the community
- To build parenting and educational skills in working with students with special needs
- To promote positive educational system change and improvement

SELPA_s

California State SELPA Association

<https://selpa.info>

SELPA_s (West & East San Gabriel & Pomona)

- West San Gabriel Valley
<https://www.wsgvselpa.org>
- East San Gabriel Valley
<https://www.esqvselpa.org/esqvselpa>
- Pomona Valley
[Pomona SELPA](#)

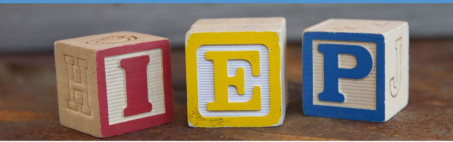

Inland Empire: San Bernardino & Riverside County

- Riverside County
[Riverside County SELPA](#)
- San Bernardino County
[West End SELPA](#)
[East Valley SELPA](#)

Partner Programs

September Programs

- TASK & Parent's Place: Navigating IEPs
September 27, 2022



TASK Los Angeles in Collaboration with Parents' Place Family Resource Center Presents:

Navigating IEPs

Tuesday, September 27, 2022, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

To register for Virtual Workshop, please click link below:
<https://bit.ly/3tpykU>

Contact Parents' Place at (626) 919-1091 or email at empower@parentsplacefrc.com

An overview of the rights and protections mandated for children with special needs by IDEA, the value of record keeping, the requirements of the assessment process, timelines, and other legal components of an IEP, including goals and objectives. Communication techniques are interspersed throughout the workshop.

TASK is a nonprofit organization that helps families navigate:
■ Disability services ■ Special Education ■ Assistive Technology
We serve Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Diego, and San Bernardino Counties.
Major funding for TASK workshops is provided by the United States Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs and the California Department of Education.

626-300-1043 | TASK Los Angeles

- ESRN: IEP Overview
October 25, 2022

GETTING READY FOR YOUR CHILD'S FIRST IEP?



IEP OVERVIEW VIRTUAL TRAINING FOR PARENTS

Presented by an Early Start Parent Representative who is the parent of a child who received special education services through an Individualized Education Program (IEP).

**OCTOBER 25, 2022
10:00 AM -12:00 PM**

Register here:
<https://bit.ly/3ovxZSN>

If you are unable to attend this training but would like one-on-one IEP support/training, please call us at (800) 974-5553 to be connected to one of our Early Start Parent Representatives.

LEARN THE BASICS OF THIS IMPORTANT PLANNING MEETING

FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN RIVERSIDE & SAN BERNARDINO COUNTIES

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL THE ESRN: ALICOM@INLANDRC.ORG OR CALL (800) 974-5553



800-974-5553

WWW.ESRN.ORG



ADDITIONAL RESOURCE LINKS

1. Access Nonprofit Center: <https://accessnonprofit.org>
2. Linktree: <https://linktr.ee/accessnonprofit>
3. September Resource Newsletter: <https://conta.cc/3xDbmAw>
4. San Gabriel Pomona Regional Center Community Meetings:
<https://www.sgprc.org/about-us/coronavirus-covid-19/sg-prc-community-meetings>
5. Parents Place: <http://www.parentsplacefrc.com>
 - Serving the San Gabriel and Pomona valleys, we are committed to supporting and enhancing family focused services in a parent driven atmosphere for families who have children with special needs, 0-22 years of age.
6. Early Start Family Resource Network: <http://www.esfrn.org>
 - The Early Start Family Resource Network provides a coordinated network of parent-to-parent support throughout Riverside and San Bernardino Counties in California. The ESFRN provides supportive services which include education, resources, and training to families with children who are at risk for or are experiencing delays or disabilities.
7. Inland Regional Center: <https://www.inlandrc.org/calendar/>

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