



# INCLUSIVE SPARKS

*Inclusion is belonging. It means being missed when you are not there.*

*Thinkinclusive.us*



**Raising Special Kids**  
Parent Information  
Center  
[www.raisingpecialkids.org](http://www.raisingpecialkids.org)

**INTERESTED IN PARENT TRAINING?**

**PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR PARENT TRAINING CALENDAR ON OUR WEB.**

*(On our Parent Information page)*

Like us on facebook 

for reminders.

[www.facebook.com/](http://www.facebook.com/)

**This is the place where we will share information about special education services, inclusive practices, disabilities, success stories and training in Deer Valley.**

## DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH

*Every month and many days of the year have been set aside to promote awareness or advocacy of an illness, disability, or other special-needs-related cause.*

### *Learning Disabilities Awareness*

*LD online asks you to teach one person something new about learning disabilities.*

*CPIR (our national parent center) information on Learning Disabilities*

[http://www.parentcenterhug.org/wp-content/uploads/repo\\_items/fs7.pdf](http://www.parentcenterhug.org/wp-content/uploads/repo_items/fs7.pdf)

*Learning Disabilities [Tips and Resources for Parents](#)*

<http://www.parentcenterhub.org/repository/ld/#parents>

### **Understood**

**A free online resource for parents of kids with learning and attention issues**

**Coming Soon!**

<http://www.nclld.org>

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### **DVUSD RESOURCES**

On the Student Support Services website, you will find resources and information on a variety of topics including the GEIT process, 504s, IEPs, student support (special education) services, just to name a few.

Log onto [www.dvusd.org](http://www.dvusd.org) and click on departments, then click student support services

Or

Click on Parents and Students, then click on Special Education

Need more information about IEP's? Check out our [IEP Booklet](#) and [IEP FAQ's](#) on the web.

[dvusd.org/studentsupportservices/](http://dvusd.org/studentsupportservices/)

## SUCCESS STORIES

*Looking for Success Stories!*



We know there are lots out there.

Please share.....

### Transition Meetings

Join us monthly to meet with Julia Anderson, our transition coordinator as she discusses important information regarding transition for our students.. Each month will be a different topic and parents will at the end of the year have a folder of various information and resources that will help make the transition process an easier one. Our first one is coming up:

**September 15th at District Office**

**6:30-7:30 PM**

Please RSVP to save your seat to Deborah Switalski [Deborah.switalski@dvusd.org](mailto:Deborah.switalski@dvusd.org)

*Monthly dates are 10/7, 11/3, 12/15, 1/12, 2/2, 3/2, 4/6 and 5/4*

**SIGN UP NOW  
FOR PARENT VIDEO TRAINING !**

### DIRECTORS CORNER

We are showing some amazing films about reaching potential for individuals with disabilities. Please join us! Information about films can be found on our District website parent page.

#### October

**10/2 Dakota's Pride/I Tyler**  
District Office  
Training Lab  
6-7:30 Pm

#### November

**11/6 I Can't Do This, But I Can Do This**  
District Office  
Training Lab  
6-7:30 PM

**11/17 I Can't Do This, But I Can Do This**  
District Office  
Conference Room  
10-11:30 AM

Sign up on-line or for more information contact:  
**Deborah Switalski Parent Liaison**  
Student Support Services  
[deborah.switalski@dvusd.org](mailto:deborah.switalski@dvusd.org)

Welcome back for another school year. Where did the summer go? This year we have a goal of getting to parents much information to help them through the process with their IEP, transition, assistive technology, etc. If you have any issues you would like to see us provide training please contact Deborah Switalski as I know she will do her best to provide what you need. She has been working diligently over the summer to bring you many training opportunities for this school year. I hope you take advantage of any and all of the trainings. She has presenters and also videos for people to grow and learn. The better we educate ourselves as parents the better we can advocate for our sons and daughters.

I am looking forward to another great year of learning for our students and hope you have a wonderful school year. All of our special education staff are here to support our students and we have high expectations for them. I hope you are back into the routine with school now a few weeks in session.

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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