

Additional Resources:

Establishing & Maintaining the Parent-Home Connection to Best Support our Students Living with LDs

LDA RESOURCES

LD@home - www.LDatHome.ca

LD@home is a service of the Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario (LDAO) for parents of children with learning disabilities (LDs) from kindergarten to grade 8. It provides a variety of free resources as well as links to LDA regional chapters across Ontario.

LD@school – www.LDatSchool.ca

LD@school is a service of LDAO for educators who work with students with LDs from kindergarten to grade 12. It provides educators with a variety of free resources, including webinars, articles, podcasts, and numerous strategies and tips that can be implemented in the classroom.

Glossary of Terms - <http://www.ldathome.ca/what-are-lds/glossary/>

The LD@home glossary was created to equip parents with some of the vocabulary that might come up when working with professionals in the field of LDs. Terms are sorted alphabetically and links to the sources used in creating the definitions are included directly following the definitions, where appropriate.

LD@home's Survival Guide for Parents - <http://s3.amazonaws.com/ldathome-assets/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/28121757/SURVIVAL-GUIDE.pdf>

This helpful parent guide provides background information about LDs and ADHD, steps on how to seek help for your child, working with your child's school, how to provide homework help, information about Identification, Placement and Review Committees (IPRCs) and Individual Education Plans (IEPs), and how to successfully advocate for your child.

Learning Disabilities Association of Canada (LDAC) - Effective Teacher-Parent Partnerships - <http://www.ldabc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/5-English-Strategies-Schools1.pdf>

This fact sheet from LDAC provides parents and educators with information on effective teacher-parent partnerships, classroom strategies for students with LDs, and information on understanding LDs in the classroom.

LD@home's Communication Log - http://s3.amazonaws.com/ldathome-assets/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/01103523/LD%40home_School-Communication-Log.pdf

This communication log from LD@home allows provides parents with a convenient template to keep track of their communications with the school team.



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION RESOURCES

Parent Website - <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/parents/>

The Ontario Ministry of Education parent website provides parents with links to information about a variety of topics relating to learning in Ontario, including resources, policies and special education.

Parents in Partnership: A Parent Engagement Policy for Ontario Schools - http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/parents/involvement/pe_policy2010.pdf

This document outlines the Ministry of Education's vision for parental involvement in their children's schooling. It discusses benefits of parental involvement on student's academic success, strategies for success, and an action plan for how to achieve their vision.

Shared Solutions - <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/general/elemsec/speced/shared.pdf>

This guide provides parents and educators with information on preventing and resolving conflicts regarding programs and services for students with special education needs.

SCHOOL BOARD RESOURCES

Waterloo Region District School Board (WRDSB) – Identification, Placement and Review Committee (IPRC) Procedures - http://www.wrdsb.ca/wp-content/uploads/Understanding-the-IPRC-Process_A-Parent-Guide-2014-Amended.pdf

This parent guide helps parents to understand the IPRC process, including: the role of the IPRC, various definitions parents should know about, what to do before, during and after the meeting, and how the review process works. It also provides parents with information on the categories of exceptionalities and definitions used by school boards.

York Region District School Board (YRDSB) – A Parents Guide to...Identification, Placement and Review Committee - <http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/SpecEd/Documents/Referral%20Process/SD-IPRCparentguide.pdf>

This guide to the IPRC from YRDSB breaks down what an IPRC is and provides parents with information on what to do before, during and after an IPRC meeting.

YRDSB – The Individual Education Plan (IEP) – A Guide for Parents - <http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/SpecEd/Documents/Referral%20Process/SD-IEPguideforparents.pdf>

This guide provides parents with information on how the IEP is developed, carried out, reviewed and updated, as well as the role that a parent should expect to play with respect to the IEP.

