

Ventura County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA)
Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

The Community Advisory Committee fosters parent-professional collaboration to improve the special education system. It meets four times a year on the first Monday of the month at the SELPA office (address below). Call SELPA for meeting dates and times or check the website.

Parents of Special Education Students...including “speech only,” “resource,” and “special class” kids...

**There's lots of information & support available for you! –
www.vcselpa.org – click on “For Families”**

Annual Conferences and Forums of Interest to Families

- **Carpe Diem** (Students with Emotional Disturbance) –
March 1, 2019, VCOE, Camarillo
- **Walking the Path Together** (Children with Special Needs 0-5) – **April 13, 2019**, VCOE, Camarillo
- **Transition Fairs** (For 15-22 year-old diploma and certificate bound special education students and their families)
November 14, 2018, 5:30 pm-8:00 pm, VCOE, Camarillo
March 9, 2019, 9:00 am-12:00 pm, VCOE, Camarillo

For a complete list of events, go to our website at:
<http://www.vcselpa.org/Staff-Development>

Information and Support Groups for Parents of Kids with Disabilities (call for dates & times)

- Autism Society of Ventura County (805) 496-1632
www.autismventura.org
- Brain Injury Support Group (805) 482-1312
www.braininjurycenter.org
- Center 4 Special Needs (805) 379-1681
www.center4specialneeds.org
- Children & Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders:
(800) 233-4050 (help line) www.chadd.org
- PAUSE4Kids (805) 497-9596 www.pause4kids.com
- Rainbow Connection Family Resource Center –
(805) 485-9643 www.tri-counties.org
- The K.E.N. Project www.kenproject.com
- United Parents for Families in Crisis
(805) 384-1555 www.unitedparents.org

The Ventura County SELPA does not officially endorse any of these groups, but provides as information only.

E-mail Announcements

Sign up to receive announcements of interest to families with special needs children directly to your e-mail. E-mail
llozano@vcoe.org

Resource Materials Free To Families (click on “For Families/Resources & Booklets”)

Download any of these from our website or call for a free copy!

- 90 Ways to Help Students with ADHD
- A+ Access, Accommodations, and Acceptance “A Winning Grade”
- Are You Concerned About Your Child’s Progress in School? (3-22 years old, English/Spanish)
- Bullying & the Child with Special Needs
- Community Resource Directories of Services for People with Special Needs (all English/Spanish) Booklets - by age group:
 - ◆ Young Children (0-5) ◆ School Age ◆ Adults
- Epilepsy and Seizure Disorders
- Fact Sheet about Residential Care Options
- Family Fact Sheet - Sorting through services to help you help your child...Regional Center or Schools? (English/Spanish)
- Going to College...or Thinking About it?
- Informational Brochure for Parents of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD)
- My Child has Emotional & Behavioral Challenges...How can I find help?
- My child with special needs is going to middle school. How can we get ready?
- Parent Guide to Special Education
- Parent Guide to Transition Planning (English/Spanish)
- Parent/Adult Student Rights (English/Spanish)
- Private School Procedures
- RtI? Parent Brochure
- Sensory Issues and Needs of Children in Early Start (English/Spanish)
- Transition Checklist for Parents
- Transitioning to High School – A Guide for Parents of Special Education Students
- What Exactly is a SELPA and What Does it Do? (English/Spanish)
- What is Apraxia of Speech? A Guide for Parents of 3-5 year olds (English/Spanish)
- WorkAbility Brochure