



Free Special Education Resources, Consultation, Trainings Your Arizona Parent School Connection

Parent Information Network Specialists (PINS), parent consultants with the Arizona Department of Education, Exceptional Student Services (ADE/ESS), serve every county in Arizona. PINS provide essential information for parents to actively participate in their child's special education. PINS offer training and resources to educators, college students, service providers, community agencies, and parent organizations. PINS assist parents and community partners to understand the special education process and related issues.

FREE PIN Clearinghouse Resources

- Behavior, early childhood, disability-specific, Individualized Education Program (IEP), IDEA'04, self-advocacy, transition: preschool to adult, Spanish resources
- Disability Resource Directory
- Video Lending Library
- Quarterly newsletter, Network News

FREE PIN Trainings and Workshops

- The special education process
- Participation in the IEP process
- Parents as advocates
- How to start a parent group
- Disability awareness

FREE PIN Consultation to help families assess their needs and learn how to participate in the decision-making process.

- Discuss concerns
 - Examine documentation
 - Review laws and rights pertaining to issues
 - Explore possible options for solutions
 - Prioritize and strategize next steps
- PIN Specialists cannot attend IEP meetings.

Teambuilding

PIN Specialists promote consensus-building to achieve positive outcomes for students. They regularly assist parents, schools, and local agencies throughout Arizona to build and sustain positive working relationship.