



# Cecil County Public Schools'

## *Parent Resource Center*

### *For Special Education*

Fall 2019



Cecil County Public Schools' Parent Resource Center for Special Education (PRC), provides a resource for parents, educators, and the community that benefit all youth with delays or special needs, birth to 21 years of age.

The center provides resources, workshops, and links between the school and community.

All programs are free of charge. **Registration encouraged, but not required. Please join us!**

#### PRC Office Open House:

Please join us as we kick off the 2019-2020 school year. Stop in and check out our resources and lending library. Maybe even win a door prize!

**Monday, September 16**

**10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

**PRC Office Located at  
Gilpin Manor Elementary School-  
203 Newark Ave., Elkton, MD 21921**

#### Information Workshops at the PRC Office:

Join us to learn more about a topic of interest to parents who have children with a delay or special need.

##### “Preparing for Your Child’s IEP”

**Tuesday, October 15 - 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM**

Please join us in this two part workshop. Part one, “Getting Your Ducks in a Row”, will be hosted by the Cecil SECAC on Tuesday, October 8 - 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM, at the CCPS School of Technology Building.

Part Two “Building Your Child’s IEP Binder”, on Tuesday, October 15 – 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM, at the PRC Office located in Gilpin Manor Elementary School. Plan to attend both or only 1 session as your schedule allows.

##### “How to Advocate for Your Child”

**Monday, November 18 - 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM**

What is the best way to advocate for your child at their IEP or 504 meeting? Join us, along with representatives from The Arc Northern Chesapeake Region as we discuss parent advocacy. Registered attendees will receive the book “The Art of Advocacy: A Parent's Guide to a Collaborative IEP Process.”

##### “Financial Planning for Special Needs”

**Monday, December 16 - 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM**

It is a topic that every special needs parent needs to address, but most keep putting off: planning for your child’s future financial needs. Please join Bill Heider, of Independence Planning Group and Kelly Nelson of Maryland ABLE as they prepare us to provide for our children’s financial needs. Registered attendees will receive a special needs financial planning book.

#### New to Special Education

*(or do you need a refresher)?*

Feeling lost in the Special Education World? Please join us for an informal discussion on the information you need to help understand the many forms and acronyms that you have been seeing. What is an IEP? What is a good goal for my child? Bring any papers or forms you have questions about. We are here to help you help your child!

**Where: PRC Office- 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

**When: September 30, October 28, November 25**

#### Parent Chat Sessions:

An informal opportunity for parents to chat with each other and the PRC staff, share strategies and to network with other families with children with special needs.

*Drop in and let’s chat!*

**Where: PRC Office**

**When: Mornings 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**Dates: September 30, October 28, November 25**

**Parent & Child: Play with a Purpose-** Families are invited to attend weekly play and learning time with their children, birth to age 5, of all abilities. Children will learn through play and parents/caregivers will be able to access resources and support from the staff of the Parent Resource Center for Special Education. Join us for playtime, crafts, social skills, and music & movement activities.

Every Tuesday- Held at the PRC Office

**10:00 AM – 11:30 AM**

**September 10, 17, 24**

**October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**

**November 5, 12, 19, 26**

**December 3, 10, 17**

Wednesday- Held at the PRC Office

**10:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

**September 11**

**October 9**

**November 13**

**December 11**