Division of Special Education Report Update
Community Advisory Committee

IEP Team Meetings Update
From 7/1/2022 – 2/28/23 LAUSD has conducted approximately 61,758 Team Meetings, excluding charter.

Revision from 02/15/23 DSE Report: 7/1/2022 – 01/31/23 has conducted approximately 58,308 Team Meetings, excluding charter.

Transition Teachers – FAFA and CDAA deadlines
Transition teachers continue to support efforts at high schools across the District towards Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and California Dream Act Application (CDAA) completion and are available at every high school to support students with disabilities and their families. The FAFSA is a form that is used to apply for federal student aid, such as federal grants, work-study, and loans. The FAFSA form is free to complete and submit. This form provides access to financial aid to pay for college or career school. In addition, CDAA allows students enrolled in eligible California Colleges, Universities and Career Education Programs to apply for state financial aid. Students may apply for CDAA if they are undocumented, have a valid or expired DACA, are a U Visa holder and have a Temporary Protected Status (TPS). Questions about completing the FAFSA may be found at the Federal Student Aid website, and for questions about the CDAA please visit the CSAC website FAQs.

Parent Trainings Presented by Purchin Consulting
The Division of Special Education is hosting two free training opportunities for parents. The first training is Building Positive Communication Skills which will be conducted on 3/23/23 and 3/25/23 via Zoom. The second training Parent/Professional Collaboration will be conducted on 4/6/23 and 4/22/23. Click here to access the flyer for more information.

English Language Learners Spring Reclassification
The Division of Special Education in collaboration with the Multicultural Multilingual Education Department (MMED) is supporting the messaging for schools and families to engage in dialogue about English Learner Reclassification. If your child has spent 6 years receiving English Language Development instruction, it may be that their disability impacts their ability to reclassify. There is a District policy that delineates a reclassification process specifically for students with disabilities. Learn more about this reclassification process and engage in a discussion with your child’s IEP Team during the IEP Team Meeting, as appropriate, by visiting our webpage at https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/17407

2023 California Youth Leadership Forum (YLF) for Students with Disabilities
Learn more about how this six-day leadership program can empower students with disabilities and their future. Access more information about the application and selection process at https://www.dor.ca.gov/Home/YLF or email YLF@dor.ca.gov or call (855) 894-3436. Application deadline has been extended to March 17. The 2023 program is tentatively scheduled for July 13–19, 2023 and is for students in grades 10 through 12.
2022–2023 Division of Special Education Live Webinar Series

**APRIL**

**Effective Collaboration and Communication Between Families and Schools**

Monday 04/10/23, 9:00 –10:00 a.m.
Wednesday 04/12/23, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Overview:
Tips for establishing positive and productive dialogues with schools and families.

Webinar ID #: 842 5318 9472
Webinar Link: [https://lausd.zoom.us/s/84253189472](https://lausd.zoom.us/s/84253189472)

All families and community members are welcome! Registration is required. Translation in the following languages will be available: Spanish, ASL, Armenian, Cantonese, Korean.

Korean Conference - March 10, 2023
Spanish Conference – March 17, 2023
English Conference – March 24, 2022

For more information visit the Division of Special Education Webpage [https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/16784](https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/16784)

**The Autism Intervention Research Network on Behavioral Health (AIR-B)** is a network of researchers seeking to advance evidence-based behavioral treatments for children with autism spectrum disorders. Learn more by visiting [airbnetwork.org](http://airbnetwork.org) and visit our webpage for more information at [https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/16784](https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/16784)

Alternate Curriculum Parent Training Series. Two workshops left!

Join us for an introduction to alternate curriculum and to receive strategies that you can implement to support a successful transition for your child.

Building Independence – April 17 and 19, 2023
Preparing for Next School Year – May 15 and 17, 2023

Registration Link

Pathways to Lifelong Success – April 25 and 26, 2023

Adult Transition Programs Parent Training Series

LAUSD Adult Transition Programs is offering a series of trainings for parents and families of students in grades TK-12 that are using an alternate curriculum as identified by an IEP.

Pathways to Lifelong Success – April 25 and 26, 2023

Registration Link
Homework Support
To ensure that your students get individualized help—anytime, anywhere, from any internet-connected device, LAUSD currently offers the 24/7 on-demand homework help with a personal virtual specialist that are available to all L.A. Unified students. The academic support is offered in multiple languages at no cost to families. For additional information visit the two vendors for on-demand homework. See below:

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Parent Portal
The Division of Special Education highly encourages all parents to access the Parent Portal where various special education documents and reports are available. To access the Parent Portal, visit: [https://parentportalapp.lausd.net/parentaccess/](https://parentportalapp.lausd.net/parentaccess/)

Websites
Division of Special Education: [https://achieve.lausd.net/sped](https://achieve.lausd.net/sped)
Office of Parent and Community Services (PCS): [https://achieve.lausd.net/pcss](https://achieve.lausd.net/pcss)

Phone Numbers
LAUSD General Hotline: 213-431-4300
Division of Special Education School and Family Support Services: 213-241-6701
LAUSD School Mental Health Hotline: 213-241-3840
Technology Access: 213-443-1300