Open Forum for Parents of Students with Disabilities

The Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) and the RESC Alliance invite parents of students with disabilities to participate in regional forums to obtain feedback and input on special education systems, processes, and services. The CSDE is committed to ensuring that students with disabilities receive access to the services and supports that they are entitled to under the law. These regional forums will provide parents with the opportunity to share their experiences with the Special Education Bureau Chief in a structured environment to discuss the most pressing needs of the special education community in Connecticut.

The parent forums will consist of group conversations facilitated by special educators from Connecticut’s Regional Education Service Centers (RESCs). The forums were planned with the intent of being responsive to the needs of the participants, however facilitators may ask for feedback on specific special education issues in order to inform the State Advisory Committee on Special Education (SAC) and the CSDE’s Bureau of Special Education. The forums will also serve as an opportunity for parents to shape future training activities. While the forums will not necessarily address circumstances specific to individual students and families, Parent Consultants from The CT Parent Advocacy Center (CPAC), and other experts will be on-hand to offer guidance and suggestions.

There will be a morning (9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.) and an evening (6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.) session for each forum.

Oct. 3—LEARN
LOCATION
LEARN
44 Hatchetts Hill Rd.
Old Lyme, CT 06371

Oct. 4—ACES
LOCATION
ACES Staff Development
205 Skiff St.
Hamden, CT 06517

Oct. 15—EASTCONN
LOCATION
EASTCONN
376 Hartford Turnpike
Hamden, CT 06247

Oct. 16—EDADVANCE
LOCATION
EdAdvance
355 Goshen Road
Litchfield, CT 06759

Nov. 7—CREC
LOCATION
Hosted by CREC at the Chrysalis Center
255 Homestead Avenue
Hartford, CT 06112

Nov. 8—C.E.S.
LOCATION
C.E.S.
25 Oakview Drive
Trumbull, CT 06611

Registration URL: [https://goo.gl/Yh5qCi](https://goo.gl/Yh5qCi)
For questions or assistance with registration, please call 860-509-3794