

PARENT MENTOR SERVICES

- Help build collaborative partnerships between families, schools and the community to benefit students
- Organize and conduct workshops, trainings and support groups based on the needs of families and professionals in the community
- Guide families through the special education process and help them understand rights and responsibilities
- Listen and provide support to families and educators on an individual basis
- Provide information and resources to families on district programs and services and community resources
- Attend meetings at the request of parents or staff. These meetings include Individual Educational Program (IEP), Evaluation Team Report (ETR), Functional Behavior Assessment (FBA) team meetings and more

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**Newark City Schools
&**

Licking County Schools

Granville, Heath,
Johnstown, Lakewood,
Licking Heights, Licking Valley,
North Fork, Northridge,
Southwest Licking

Administrative Service Center

621 Mount Vernon Road
Newark, OH 43055

Your Parent Mentor



Building a bridge between home and school.



PARENTS
ADVOCATING FOR
CHILDREN WITH
EXCEPTIONALITIES

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**Newark City & Licking County
Schools**

Parent Mentor Program

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**Guiding Families through the
Special Education Process**

NO COST FOR SERVICES

Ohio Parent Mentor projects are funded through grants from the Ohio Department of Education Office of Exceptional Children.

All Parent Mentor services are provided to families **FREE OF CHARGE.**



The goal of the Parent Mentor Program is to help parents to become effective partners in the education for their children with special needs by encouraging parent-professional partnerships. A Parent Mentor is a parent who has a child with special needs and whose role is to provide a bridge between school and home. Research shows that when families are involved in their child's education, then students are more successful.



**To register for these events,
please contact:**

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**Registration is encouraged,
but Walk Ins are always welcome!**

Please join us!

Keeping P.A.C.E

A group created by parents for parents and the professionals that serve our children. Through building relationships, dedication & communication, together, we can give our children the education they deserve.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- THRS 10-05-17 5:30 PM Licking County Transition Resource Fair
- TUES 11-14-17 6 - 8 PM Triple P Stepping Stones: 1 Positive Parenting for Children with Disabilities
- TUES 11-28-17 6-8 PM Triple P Stepping Stones: 2 Helping Your Child Reach Their Potential
- TUES 12-12-17 6-8 PM Triple P Stepping Stones: 3 Changing Problem Behavior into Positive Behavior
- TUES 02-13-18 6 - 8 PM Parents & The IEP: Your Participation Matters
- TUES 03-15-18 6 - 8 PM Triple P Stepping Stones* Positive Parenting for Children with Disabilities
- TUES 04-10-18 6 - 8 PM Conscious Discipline: Preventing Power Struggles
- TUES 04-24-18 6 - 8 PM Triple P Discussion Group: Dealing with Disobedience

LOCATION*

The Roosevelt Building
621 Mount Vernon Road
Newark, OH 43055

**except Triple P Stepping Stones 03/15/17*

EVENT DESCRIPTIONS

Transition Resource Fair

Are you a student or parent of a student with an IEP or 504 between the ages of 13 and 21? Are you looking for resources to help with the transition to life after high school? This event is for YOU! Meet representatives from county agencies and programs, visit resource tables, and attend break out sessions to learn all you can about this important time.

Triple P Stepping Stones Seminar Series

Helping you to manage problem behavior and developmental issues common in children with disabilities, Stepping Stones is based on Triple P's Positive Parenting Strategies. Learn to encourage behavior you like, cope with stress, develop a close relationship with your child, and teach your child new skills.

Parents & The IEP: Your Participation Matters

Being an active participant on your child's IEP team can be overwhelming and intimidating. But it doesn't have to be! Come learn more about the IEP process, the document itself, and tips for confidently contributing to the IEP meeting. Come join us and empower yourself to know your rights and responsibilities and get your questions answered.

Conscious Discipline: Preventing Power Struggles

Come learn why we get into power struggles, understanding what power is, and strategies for healing the effects of power struggles. We will discuss active calming and preventing and getting out of power struggles by using assertive communication, choices, and empathy.

Triple P Discussion Group: Dealing with Disobedience

Come experience this relaxed group session where you will learn tips for dealing with your child's problem behavior. You'll see short video clips showing other parents successfully dealing with the same issues and receive a take-home workbook with simple exercises and information to help you try your new strategies at home.