

Resources for School Age Children

100 Day Kit for Families of Newly Diagnosed School Age Children

The Autism Speaks 100 Day Kit was created specifically for families of children between the ages of 5 and 13 to make the best possible use of the 100 days following their child's diagnosis of autism. Topics include information about symptoms, treatment, accessing services, family support and more. Hard copies are available free of charge.

School Community Tool Kit

The School Community Tool Kit is designed to assist all members of the school community in understanding and supporting students with autism. The kit provides helpful information about students with autism and tools and strategies to achieve positive interactions and increase learning for all members of the school community.

Guide to Individualized Education Programs (IEPs)

The Autism Speaks IEP Guide is the first-of-its-kind interactive, video-based resource focused on helping parents and caregivers ensure that their children with autism are receiving the best possible education. The guide includes interviews with top experts and is broken into sections focused on getting, developing, changing and disputing an IEP.

ATN Tool Kits

Over 20 tool kits have been developed for the autism community by the Autism Speaks Autism Treatment Network (ATN). Specific tool kits for school age children include: Sleep Tool Kits, Medication Decision Aid, Guide to Managing Constipation, Puberty and Adolescence Guide and much more. Visit autismspeaks.org/tool-kit.

Resource Guide / Directory

The Autism Speaks Resource Guide is a portal of thousands of local resources, searchable by zip code, that includes social skills groups, after school programs, occupational therapists and more. An Information by Topic directory includes hundreds of resources on important subjects like behavioral issues, sleep, safety and more.

Autism Response Team

The Autism Response Team (ART) connects individuals with autism, family members and professionals in the autism community with resources and information through phone calls, emails and chat. ART can help connect you with local service providers, provide information on your child's rights and help find the right resources for you and your family, including the many available from Autism Speaks. The team can be reached at help@autismspeaks.org or (888) 288-4762 en Español (888) 772-9050.

...and many more resources!

Other tool kits and resources available to help families of school age children include the Advocacy Tool Kit, Challenging Behaviors Tool Kit, A Guide for Autism-Friendly Youth Organizations, Special Needs Financial Planning, and portals focused on support in the community, health and wellness, medical resources and more!