

# Special Needs

Dieringer School District #343  
*Community and Family Resource Guide*  
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## **A Common Voice for Pierce County Parents**

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## **ADD/ADHD**

Living well with ADD and learning disabilities. Parenting ADHD children with tabs for parenting skills, behavior & discipline, schedules & organizing, friendships & social life, healthy minds & bodies, talking about ADD and LD, holidays & travel, sports & hobbies, teens and young adults and life stories.

[www.additudemag.com](http://www.additudemag.com)

## **Asperger's Syndrome**

[www.yourlittleprofessor.com](http://www.yourlittleprofessor.com)

Resources and academic programs for children with Asperger's Syndrome

## **Auburn Parks and Recreation (Specialized Recreation Opportunities)**

[http://www.auburnwa.gov/things\\_to\\_do/recreation/specialized\\_recreation.htm](http://www.auburnwa.gov/things_to_do/recreation/specialized_recreation.htm)

## **Autism Outreach Project**

1601 R Avenue, Anacortes, WA 98221; 360-299-4000

<https://www.nwesd.org/autism>

Information, referrals and training on program development for students with autism spectrum disorders to Washington families, schools and agencies.

## **Autism Society of Washington**

1101 Eastside Street, Suite B, Olympia, WA 98501; 888-279-4968

[www.autismsocietyofwa.org](http://www.autismsocietyofwa.org)

Advocacy, public awareness, education and research related to autism. Local chapters throughout the state.

## **Autism Society of Washington, White River Chapter**

253-224-7396

[www.autismsocietyofwa.org](http://www.autismsocietyofwa.org)

## **Birth to Three Developmental Center / [www.birthtothree.org](http://www.birthtothree.org)**

35535 6<sup>th</sup> PI SW, Federal Way, WA 98023; 253-874-5445, Jennifer or Wanda Long

Provides early intervention services for infants and toddlers in their homes, community child care settings or play groups. Occupational, physical and speech therapy is provided as needed (no FRC or county funded required).

### **Center for Children with Special Needs**

[www.cshcn.org](http://www.cshcn.org)

Offers current summer camp information as well as a searchable database where you can look for camps that meet your child's needs.

### **Community Inclusion Program**

Washington PAVE

6316 S. 12<sup>th</sup> St., Tacoma, WA; 253-565-2266 or 800-572-7368

[www.wapave.org](http://www.wapave.org)

### **Division of Developmental Disabilities**

[www.dshs.wa.gov/ddd/](http://www.dshs.wa.gov/ddd/)

### **Dyslexia**

[www.bartonreading.com](http://www.bartonreading.com)

### **Hearing, Speech and Deafness Center**

[www.hsdcenter.org](http://www.hsdcenter.org)

206-323-5770

### **National Association for Parents of Children with Visual Impairments (NAPVI)**

Empowering parents to provide great building blocks for children with visual impairments.

Helps parents stay connected with national news and resources. Also provides parents support from other parents.

[www.napvi.org](http://www.napvi.org)

### **Northwest Autism Center (NAC)**

127 West Boone, Spokane, WA 99201; 509-328-1582

[www.nwautism.org](http://www.nwautism.org)

### **O.A.S.I.S. (Organization for Autism Spectrum Information & Support, Inc.)**

[www.oasonline.org.uk](http://www.oasonline.org.uk)

Provides support and spreads awareness about Autism Spectrum Disorders. To the families who have been battling alone and feel there is no hope and that no one truly cares, we want you to know that we do.

### **O.A.S.I.S. (Online Asperger Syndrome Information and Support)**

[www.aspergersyndrome.org](http://www.aspergersyndrome.org)

### **Pierce County Coalition for Developmental Disabilities (PC2)**

[www.pc2online.org](http://www.pc2online.org) / 253-564-0707

### **Pierce County Parent to Parent**

<http://wapave.org/programs/parent-parent-pierce-co/>

Great list of resources

**Sibling Support Project**

6512 23<sup>rd</sup> Ave NW, #213, Seattle, WA 98117; 206-297-6368

[www.siblingsupport.org](http://www.siblingsupport.org)

A National project dedicated to the concerns of brothers and sisters of people with special health, developmental and mental health concerns.

**Special Education Ombudsman**

Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction

Old Capitol Building, 600 Washington St. SE, Olympia, WA 98504-7200; 360-725-6075

<http://www.k12.wa.us/SpecialEd/Families/default.aspx>

Support to parents, guardians, educators and students with disabilities, concerning laws, rules and regulations

**Summer Camp Directory – Special Needs**

Center for Children with Special Needs website: [www.cshcn.org](http://www.cshcn.org)

Their web site offers current camp information as well as a searchable database where you can look for camps that meet your child's needs.

**United Cerebral Palsy Pierce County**

253-656-1463

Provides information, support groups, aquatic physical therapy for children and adults.

**Washington Families For All Disabilities**

We are a support group for families with special needs children in the south Sound region. Professionals and other interested parties are also encouraged to attend. Meetings are held the first Monday of each month. Selected lending library resources are available at each meeting. Childcare is not provided. Sign up to be notified of upcoming meetings.

List serve: [wafad@yahooogroups.com](mailto:wafad@yahooogroups.com)

**Washington State School for the Blind, Vancouver, WA**

<http://www.wssb.wa.gov/>

**The Washington Talking Book and Braille Library**

<http://www.wtbbl.org/>