

Special Education Update

East Central Indiana Special Services....January 14, 2021

COMING THIS SPRING - IIEP Migration from Learning Connection to LINK

Heads up! The IIEP program will be transitioning from the Learning Connection to the LINK portal on May 14-16, 2021. More information will be coming your way about this soon, but, for now, you should plan to hold all of your May and August case conferences PRIOR to May 14 in case there are any glitches. Start working out a schedule to do this now!

Indiana IEP Resource Center Co-Teaching Video Series

The Indiana IEP Resource Center (IEPRC) continues to focus on supporting administrators and educators to implement inclusive practices ensuring that all students are getting what they need to find success.

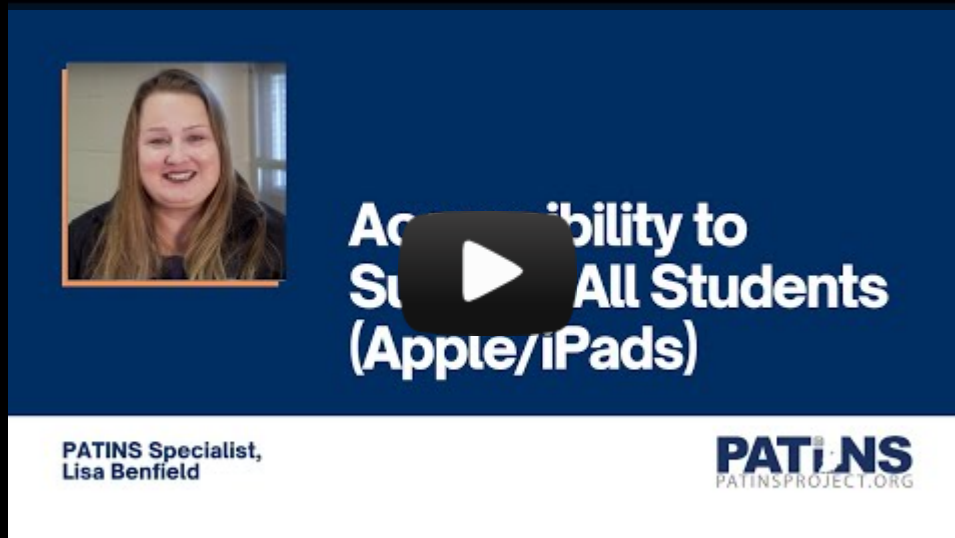
The IEPRC is excited to release a series of videos regarding co-teaching practices for educators. Within this series, consultants, Sarah Larrison and Victor Torres, offer practical insights, ideas, and strategies to help support successful implementation of co-teaching. To view, visit our [website](#).

Indiana IEP Resource Center: Upcoming Events

All IEPRC Trainings will be offered virtually through April. To review a list of topics and to register, visit <https://www.indianaieprc.org/index.php/services-professional-learning>

There is still time to register for Focus on Inclusion Week. This free event will take place February 1-5 offering different sessions each day. For more information and to register, visit www.indianaieprc.org/foi2021. We hope you can join us!

Accessibility to Support All Students - Apple/iPads



Preschool Teachers and SLPs - ISPROUT Updates from DOE

2021 brings new ISPROUT features. You may have noticed the new interface prior to winter break. You can learn more about the changes [here](#). The new window for entering student ratings opens January 5 and remains open through April 1. Additionally, the scan sheet is now available for you to utilize for scoring students if you choose.

Also, there is a new individual student report (ISR) for families. It shows growth for the 2020-2021 school year and provides talking points to share with families. The ISR for Families is a report specifically designed for families that displays how children are performing throughout the year. The report provides information about a child's strengths and provides families with ideas for supporting their child at home. This report will show scores starting from the first data collection of the 2020-21 school year. The following resources provide important information on generating the report and utilizing the information with families.

- [How to Access the ISR for Families](#) - Step-by-step instructions for accessing the report.
- Videos: [Introduction to the ISPROUT ISR for Families](#) | [Talking to Families about ISPROUT](#)
- [ISR for Families FAQs](#) - Provides families with answers to frequently asked questions about the ISR.
- [What is ISPROUT?](#) - A document to share general information about ISPROUT with families.

Two webinars will be hosted by Johns Hopkins University Center for Technology in Education to provide additional information regarding the information in the ISR for Families and utilizing it with your families. The sessions will be recorded for those unable to attend the live sessions.

January 12 from Noon to 1:00 p.m. ET [Register here](#)

January 20 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. ET [Register here](#)

FREE Autism Resources from HANDS in Autism

HANDS in Autism® has a number of resources for teachers and parents of students with autism. While some items do have a cost, there are many free items that you can use. New activities are added often and old activities are updated regularly so be sure to check back often. Link to their website:

<https://handsinautism.iupui.edu/>

Autism Training Opportunities

[Comprehensive Programming for Students Across the Autism Spectrum Training Series](#) is now available from the Indiana Resource Center for Autism.

All online courses are relevant for paraprofessionals, professionals, family members, related service personnel, administrators, early childhood providers, speech language pathologists and other interested individuals both across and outside Indiana.

Register for as many as you choose and watch at your own pace. Once an online course is completed, CEUs will be available that can be used for licensing and professional growth points. Type II BCBA units are available for relevant sessions as well.

During the year, two live Zooms will be advertised and available for folks to ask questions of IRCA presenters and to gain any needed clarification. These two live Zooms will be held for free and scheduled later.

Secondary Teachers – Transition Portfolio Training

Save the Dates!

A Spring 2021 Webinar Series

Five online trainings for Indiana transition educators and administrators.



Transition Portfolios

I will use them in the house.
I will use them with a mouse.
I will add to them at school.
They will help my students rule.

With apologies to Dr. Seuss!

We'll introduce you to an array of transition portfolio examples, demonstrating preferred/required content for each section. And during the final training, we'll take you on a step-by-step guided tour of each portfolio format.



Choose between morning or afternoon sessions for each of the five Transition Portfolio training webinars.

Watch your January emails for registration information.

- **March 2—Here I Am, Let's Come Up with a Plan!**
An overview of Transition Portfolios. Learn what Portfolios can do for your students.
- **March 3—Look at Me! So Much to See**
Find out how to capture information about students learning characteristics.
- **March 4—The Things I Achieve, You Wouldn't Believe**
Recording and capturing a student's academic skills and achievements.
- **March 8—Job One, Job Two, Finding the Right Job for You**
Recognizing and recording student employability skills.
- **March 12—Hop on Top, Cream of the Crop!**
Learn and practice the step-by-step how-tos by navigating through several Transition Portfolio examples.

Registration preference given to Indiana educators.
Information in these trainings is based on Indiana education regulations.

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