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CONNECTICUT STATE  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



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CONNECTICUT ALLIANCE OF REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTERS



# 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 and 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  
Hampton, 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



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