

Special Education Resources and Links

Special education refers to the education of students with some form of disability. Some of these disabilities include behavioral disorders, communication challenges, developmental disabilities, emotional disorders, learning disabilities, and physical disabilities.

Education for these students requires specialized teaching methods and programs.

Below are some special education resources for parents and educators.

<http://www.ade.az.gov>

The home page for the Arizona Department of Education (ADE). Information on academic standards, charter schools, teacher certification, school report cards, exceptional education, and much more.

<http://www.ade.az.gov/ess/pinspals/>

The web site for the Parent Information Network, the Arizona Department of Education, Exceptional Student Services. It contains several publications and the PIN Clearinghouse order form for special education and disability-related information.

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

The Technology Access Center of Tucson, Inc. web site for information on assistive technology.

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

Information for parents and families about psychiatric disorders affecting children and adolescents. Also provides disability-specific information.

<http://www.NORD-RDB.com/>

Information about rare disorders from the files of the National Organization for Rare Disorders.

<http://www.yahoo.com/education>

A Yahoo (yet another hierarchical officious oracle) site for education. Includes information on educational standards and testing, conferences, alternative education, literacy, special education, workplace, and higher education, and much more.

<http://www.ade.az.gov/ess/>

An Arizona Department of Education Home Page for Exceptional Student Services. Provides information on Transition Services, the Preschool Unit, parent involvement through the PINS and PALS Network, special ed hot links, and the current issue of Special Education.

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

A Home Page for The Arc of Arizona. It contains news briefs and many articles of information for families, advocates and educators of children with disabilities. Links to national and international organizations.

<http://www.anu.edu/~ihd/aztap>

A Home Page for the Arizona Technology Access Program (AzTAP). Contains their mission statement, fact sheets on funding, legal issues, brochures on activities for daily living, and links to other disability sites.

<http://www.ldanatLorg>

The Web site for the Learning Disabilities Association of America. It contains information on LDA position papers, publications, resources, fact sheets, bookstore, state and local Home Pages, and upcoming events.

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

The Academy for Educational Development addresses human development needs in the United States and throughout the world. Includes access to the Federal Resource Center for Special Education and the National Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities (NICHCY).

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

This web site is dedicated to developing effective family/school partnerships. Includes tips on parent involvement and updates on The National Coalition of Parent Involvement in Education activities.