

Resources to support transition to school for children with disability or developmental delay

Supporting resource for Webinar 5: Transition to school for children with disability or additional needs.



NSW Department of Education resources

- Information for parents of children with disability about starting primary school, including a link to a 'timeline to enrolment tool' that parents can use to support them in understanding what they need to do and when.
<https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/primary-and-high-school/starting-primary-school/if-you-have-a-child-disability-or-additional-needs>
- NSW Public School Finder- parents can enter their home address to find their local public school.
<https://schoolfinder.education.nsw.gov.au>
- Information for parents about inclusive learning support provided by the NSW Department of Education across the school years.
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/inclusive-learning-support>

General information about the transition to school for children with disability or delay

- The 'Transition to School Resource' website includes information for families, services, schools, and communities to support the smooth transition of children with disability or developmental delay from early childhood education and care to school.
<https://www.transitiontoschoolresource.org.au>
- This section of the 'Raising Children Network' website provides accurate information written in plain language for families of children with disability about school options, what to consider when choosing a primary school, school support available, and school enrolment.
<https://raisingchildren.net.au/disability/school-play-work>

Advocacy

- This section of the 'Raising Children Network' website provides information for families about advocating for their children with disability, including a video of a parent explaining what being an advocate means.
<https://raisingchildren.net.au/disability/school-play-work/school/being-an-advocate-for-additional-needs>
- Family Advocacy NSW is an independent organisation that supports families across NSW to promote and support the rights and interests of people with developmental disability. Their support is particularly useful for families who would like to advocate for their child to be supported in a mainstream school classroom.
<https://www.family-advocacy.com>

Other resources

Use the table below to list other resources or sources of information that you could use and/or refer families to. Consider including contact details for local schools and support services in your local area, along with any other online or physical resources you, your colleagues, or families you have worked with in the past have found useful. Note how you will use each resource to improve your daily practice and collaborative partnerships with families (e.g., print and display at your service, share with families in newsletters, or reflect on as a team in team meetings).

Name of resource and where to find it (or contact details)	Description of resource/information source and how it will be used