



# PARENT SUPPORT PROGRAM

The Parent Support Program is a network for parents of children with disabilities within the geographic area of Holmes, Stark and Wayne Counties.

The Parent Support Coordinator is a parent of a child with disabilities who has had the experience of interacting effectively with schools and others to obtain appropriate services for children. The coordinator understands the district and the community and is familiar with how services are provided.

The Parent Support Coordinator knows the procedures and strives to assist those involved in the process to develop an effective partnership with the schools.

## **INFORMATION**

Parents often are in need of assistance with concerns and questions regarding:

- Evaluation & Assessment Processes
- IEP Processes
- Rights and Responsibilities
- Services for Children with Special Needs

The Parent Support Program will provide support, information and reassurance to parents.



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**Deb Bates** is employed by the Stark County Educational Service Center and serves as a Parent Support Coordinator for districts in Holmes, Stark, and Wayne Counties. Deb works with families who have children with disabilities and their school districts to develop effective partnerships.

**Services available for families:**

- ETR and IEP Process Technical Support
- Resources
- Annual Conference
- Questions Welcomed



For further information regarding the **Parent Support Program**, call or visit our website. To be placed on our Parent mailing list [CLICK HERE](#).

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