

## RESOURCES

### **The Arc Alliance**

610-265-4700 | [www.thearcalliance.org](http://www.thearcalliance.org)

### **Autism Society of Berks County**

610-736-3739 | [www.autismsocietyofberks.org](http://www.autismsocietyofberks.org)

### **Berks County Intermediate Unit**

610-987-2248 | [www.berksiu.org](http://www.berksiu.org)

### **Disability Rights Network of Pennsylvania**

800-692-7443 | [www.disabilityrightspa.org](http://www.disabilityrightspa.org)

### **The Greater Reading Mental Health Alliance**

610-775-3000 | [www.grmha.org](http://www.grmha.org)

### **Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities**

#### **—Berks County**

610-478-3271 | <https://bit.ly/BCM HDD>

### **Parent Education Network (PEN )**

800-522-5827 | [www.parentednet.org](http://www.parentednet.org)

### **Parent to Parent of Pennsylvania**

888-727-2706 | [www.parenttoparent.org](http://www.parenttoparent.org)

### **PA Department of Education**

717-783-6788 | [www.education.pa.gov](http://www.education.pa.gov)

Click "Instruction" and choose "Special Education"

717-783-6913 | Bureau of Special Education

### **Pennsylvania Training & Technical Assistance Network**

(PaTTAN ) [www.pattan.net](http://www.pattan.net)

800-441-3215 King of Prussia

800-360-7282 Harrisburg

### **The Special Education Consult Line**

800-879-2301

### **Wrightslaw**

[www.wrightslaw.com](http://www.wrightslaw.com)

## MEMBER SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF BERKS COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT

Antietam School District

Boyertown Area School District

Brandywine Heights Area School District

Conrad Weiser Area School District

Daniel Boone Area School District

Exeter Township School District

Fleetwood Area School District

Governor Mifflin School District

Hamburg Area School District

Kutztown Area School District

Muhlenberg School District

Oley Valley School District

Reading School District

Schuylkill Valley School District

Tulpehocken Area School District

Twin Valley School District

Wilson School District

Wyomissing Area School District



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COMMUNITY & PARENT INFORMATION

EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

SPECIAL EDUCATION RESOURCES

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[www.berksiu.org/LTF](http://www.berksiu.org/LTF)

RIGHT TO EDUCATION  
LOCAL TASK FORCE

## MEMBERSHIP

Parents of special education students are the mainstay of the Right to Education Local Task Force, which is required to have a 51 percent parent-consumer membership. Also serving on the Local Task Force are concerned citizens and representatives from:

- Berks County Intermediate Unit
- Local school districts
- Arc Advocacy Services
- Local and regional special education service agencies

## CHILDREN ARE OUR INSPIRATION

The Right to Education Consent Agreement of 1972 provided for the establishment of a Local Task Force in each of the 29 intermediate units to ensure that the intent and spirit of the agreement is carried out throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Business meetings are followed by a presentation and discussion. All meetings include: dissemination of resources, networking, and discourse on current issues within local special education.

Please consider joining us. All are welcome and meetings are free. Topics are selected by the Right to Education Local Task Force members.



## 2023–2024 Meetings

Meetings are held on Tuesdays.

October 10, 2023

April 16, 2024

December 5, 2023

May 21, 2024

February 6, 2024

Meetings are scheduled to be held virtually.  
A zoom meeting link will be shared with all participants  
the day before the scheduled meeting.

Meeting I 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

## GOALS OF THE LOCAL TASK FORCE

1. **Assist families and professionals of school-age students with special education needs** by providing educational and networking opportunities so that they are better able to make informed decisions to meet the needs of their student(s).
2. **Help disseminate** local, regional, and state school and community-based special education services, workshops, and informational or recreational opportunities to the community.
3. **Foster collaboration** among public and private agencies which provide special education services.
4. **Identify local needs and problems** and forward them to the State Task Force.
5. **Assess programs and services** for school-age children with special needs, making recommendations for their improvement, expansion, or discontinuation.
6. **Recommend solutions** for identified areas of concern and develop an action plan to affect positive change.
7. **Review recommendations** of the State Task Force and advise the administration of any recommendation which should be adopted/implemented within Berks County Intermediate Unit.
8. **Assist the administration** in carrying out the rules and regulations growing out of the Right to Education Consent Agreement.
9. **Review intermediate unit and district special education plans** and make recommendations which will help ensure that they meet the needs of school-age children with special needs.
10. **Assist the State Task Force** in the collection of data to determine the effectiveness of the Right to Education Consent Agreement.

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