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About Special Kids is always looking for ways to deepen our relationship with the families and professionals we serve. Built upon our mission, *helping children with special needs live better lives by educating, empowering, and connecting their families*, we have taken the concept of ASK & Learn in two directions. Read on:

Facebook:

About Special Kids has just launched [ASK & Learn Indiana](#), a Facebook page, which provides another opportunity for families to connect with our parent liaisons and other caregivers of children with special needs. As a closed group, this group furthers our mission to help children with special needs live better lives by educating, empowering and connecting their families.

We are a group of moms and dads who have questions, need issues addressed and/or who want to hear from others who walk in similar shoes. Parenting a child with special needs can be overwhelming. We are here to help you understand any of the complicated systems that you encounter on your journey with your child.

All group members are welcome to respond to posts. Parent liaisons will regularly monitor the conversations and respond to questions as soon as possible. ASK staff reserve the right to delete any question or comment that is inappropriate or correct any comment that is not accurate.

As a closed group, this Facebook page is opened to "ASK families" only. Our intent is keep providers from marketing services or products. An "ASK family" member is a caregiver or parent who has received services from ASK. Request to join by [clicking here](#).

We look forward to the conversations we will have with you through [ASK & Learn Indiana](#).



Face-to-Face for Families:

ASK parent liaisons provide opportunities for ASK families and parent liaisons to come together in a small group setting (no more than 8) for conversations and information sharing around a specific topic. These **ASK & Learns** have been so well received since their inception that we are planning them for 2016. Be on the lookout for more specific information as the **ASK & Learns** are scheduled.

Face-to-Face for Professionals and College Students:

We also host ASK Informational sessions for professionals who work with families of children with special needs and students that are pursuing a career in a field of serving the special needs community. The informational sessions covers ASK's history and what we do today. The sessions give a great in depth overview of all of our services and reach throughout the state of Indiana.

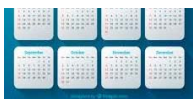
These sessions are offered twice monthly (1st Tuesday – late afternoon and the 3rd Thursday in the morning) at our Central Office. Reservations are required – please call 317-257-8683 or 800-964-4746 to make yours today!



ASK Workshop Schedules

Our 2016 workshops are being finalized right now. Keep an eye on our [calendar page](#) for trainings in your area.





GALA - Grupo de Apoyo para Latinos con Autismo*
Support Group for Spanish Speaking Parents and Caregivers of Children with Autism

Join them for the first meeting on **Wednesday, February 3!**

- Learn more about Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Receive information from professionals who work with children with autism
- Find out more about autism resources in the Indianapolis area
- Learn about current treatments and therapies
- Share experiences with other parents

Free childcare will be provided!

MEETING DATE: Wednesday February 3, 2016
TIME: 6:00 PM
ADDRESS: 708 E Michigan St, Indianapolis, IN 46202

Meetings will be held the first Wednesday of every month

If you plan to attend or have any questions, please contact:

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Visit their Facebook page for more information: www.facebook.com/galagrupodeapoyo

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