The Parent Support and Information Center is a part of the Virginia Beach City Public Schools (VBCPS) Office of Programs for Exceptional Children. The center serves all VBCPS families, staff, outside agencies and the community, placing an emphasis on the needs of students with disabilities. The Parent Support and Information Center offers resources for parents/legal guardians and school staff that encourage positive parent-school partnerships to increase educational opportunities and success for all students.

**Office of Programs for Exceptional Children**  
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**Parent Support and Information Center Hours of Operation**  
Monday - Friday  
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
*Additional hours by appointment*

For your convenience, please call the Parent Support and Information Center before visiting. Occasionally the office is closed for training and workshops.

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**VISIT THE CENTER’S WEBPAGE**  
Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE)

The school division’s special education and preschool programs are provided free of charge, and their services and resources are designed to assist and support individuals with a variety of disabilities. Disability categories include:

- Autism
- Deaf-Blindness
- Deafness
- Developmental Delay
- Emotional Disability
- Hearing Impairment
- Intellectual Disability
- Multiple Disabilities
- Orthopedic Impairment
- Other Health Impairment
- Specific Learning Disability
- Speech or Language Impairment
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Visual Impairment including Blindness

If a student is found eligible to receive special education services, an individualized education program (IEP) is written to outline the specially designed instruction, related services, and supplemental aids and services necessary to meet the student’s educational needs. The parent/legal guardian is a member of the committee that writes the IEP, and his/her involvement in the development process is welcome and encouraged.

Online Resources for Families

- Virginia Beach City Public Schools
  www.vbschools.com
- Virginia Department of Education (VDOE)
  www.doe.virginia.gov
- VDOE Special Education Resources
- VDOE Self Determination Project I’m Determined
  www.imdetermined.org
- Virginia Beach Department of Human Services
  www.vbgov.com/government/departments/human-services
- Virginia Board for People with Disabilities
  www.vaboard.org
- Enddependence Center
  www.enddependence.org
- Center on Transition Innovations
  www.centerontransition.org
Objectives
The objectives of the Parent Support and Information Center are to:

- Ensure effective communication between parents/legal guardians and school personnel for the benefit of students with disabilities;
- Clarify the role of parents, as well as educators, related to special education services;
- Serve as a resource for disability related referrals;
- Provide services that will strengthen the bond between home, school and the community; and
- Foster a rapport between the families of students with disabilities and their schools.

Child Find Services
Each local school division is responsible for providing a Child Find program that helps to identify children, ages 2 through 21 years old, residing in its jurisdiction who may qualify for special education services. For preschool children (ages 2-5 years), VBCPS provides screening through the Preschool Assessment Center (PAC) located at the Laskin Road Annex. Parents/legal guardians who feel their child’s cognitive, fine and gross motor, self-help, social or speech skills may be significantly delayed may call the PAC at (757) 263-2800 for an appointment to meet with the center’s interdisciplinary team. If your child is currently attending school, please contact his/her assistant principal to discuss a referral for special education services. If you would like more information about the Child Find program please contact the Parent Support and Information Center at (757) 263-2066.
Please contact the Parent Support and Information Center to receive more information about the following:

- Advocating for your student
- Child Find services
- Community resources
- Individualized Education Program (IEP) planning
- Parental rights pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA 2004)
- Parent support groups and networking
- PSIC lending library, training and workshops
- Preschool Assessment Center (PAC)
- Preschool programs
- Special education process
- Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)
- Summer camps and activities
- Transitioning from school to adulthood

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For further information, please call the Office of Programs for Exceptional Children at (757) 263-2400.

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To seek resolution of grievances resulting from alleged discrimination or to report violations of these policies, please contact the Title VI/Title IX Coordinator/Director of Student Leadership at (757) 263-2020, 1413 Laskin Road, Virginia Beach, Virginia, 23451 (for student complaints) or the Section 504/ADA Coordinator/Chief Human Resources Officer at (757) 263-1133, 2512 George Mason Drive, Municipal Center, Building 6, Virginia Beach, Virginia, 23456 (for employees or other citizens). Concerns about the application of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act should be addressed to the Section 504 Coordinator/Director of Student Support Services at (757) 263-1980, 2512 George Mason Drive, Virginia Beach, Virginia, 23456 or the Section 504 Coordinator at the student's school. For students who are eligible or suspected of being eligible for special education or related services under IDEA, please contact the Office of Programs for Exceptional Children at (757) 263-2400, Laskin Road Annex, 1413 Laskin Road, Virginia Beach, Virginia, 23451.

Alternative formats of this publication which may include taped, Braille, or large print materials are available upon request for individuals with disabilities. Call or write the Parent Support & Information Center, 1413 Laskin Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Telephone 263-2066 (voice), 263-2067 fax, or email ASEPSIC@vbschools.com.

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