

## INFORMATION RESOURCES

WV Dept. of Education-Office of Special Programs  
wvde.state.wv.us/ose/  
304-558-2696

Department of Vocational Rehabilitation  
891 Auto Parts #131  
Martinsburg, WV 25403  
304-267-0005

WV University Center for Excellence in Disabilities  
www.cedwvu.org  
304-293-4692

WV Autism Training Center, Marshall University  
www.marshall.edu/atc  
800-344-5115

WV Bureau for Medical Services  
www.wvdhhr.org/bms  
304-558-1700

Medicaid Title XIX MR/DD Waiver  
www.dhhr.org/bhhf  
304-558-3628

WV CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program)  
www.wvchip.org  
877-982-2447

Social Security Administration  
www.ssa.gov  
800-722-1213

## Lending Library

The PERC has developed a lending library for parents and educators. Books, videos, and various materials are available on a variety of topics for loan. We can also take requests and acquire new materials that are of interest to parents or educators.

**Parent Engagement Resource Center**  
401 S. Queen Street  
Martinsburg, WV 25401

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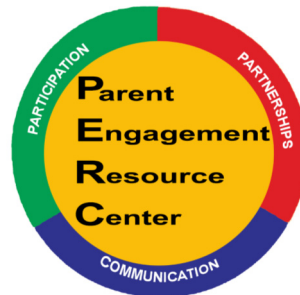
**Office Hours: 8:00am—3:00pm**

**jwestrope@k12.wv.us**

**Phone: 304.263.5717**

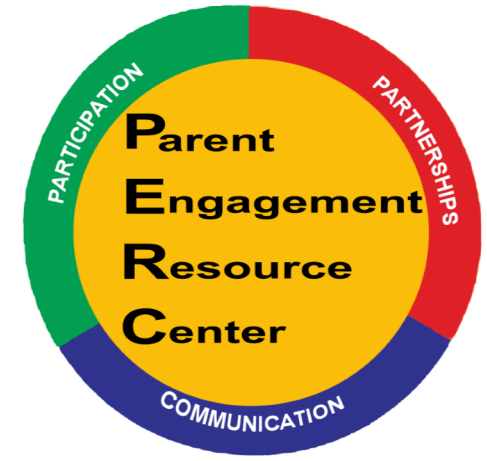
**Fax: 304.263.5767**

**Please call and leave a message or  
send email to the above address. Your inquiry  
will be answered promptly.**



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**Supporting all students and  
families to reach their fullest  
potential.**



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# PARENT ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Parent Engagement Program believes that parents, schools, families, and communities working together can create meaningful partnerships that ultimately lead to significant gains across the board in student achievement.

## **What is Parent Engagement?**

The research is clear that when schools and families support each other, students of all backgrounds and various abilities achieve at high levels. Parent engagement is an ongoing process that increases active participation, communication, and collaboration between parents, schools, and communities with the goal of educating the whole child to ensure student achievement and success.

## **What does PERC do?**

- ◆ **We...** promote a work relationship between all Berkeley County Schools' parents/families, educators, and our community.
- ◆ provide information and support for families with special needs children and educators
- ◆ provide training for parents and promote an understanding of the special education process in our schools.
- ◆ obtain information and consult with parents to provide direction related to educational issues and community services.
- ◆ provide emotional support through parent-to-parent "sharing"
- ◆ maintain a lending library of current educational resources.

## **SPECIAL EDUCATION**

Specifically designed instruction at no cost to parents to meet the unique educational needs of a child with disabilities.

## **WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

- ◆ Autism
- ◆ Blindness and Low Vision
- ◆ Deafblindness
- ◆ Deafness
- ◆ Developmental Delay
- ◆ Emotional/Behavioral Disorder
- ◆ Gifted
- ◆ Hard of Hearing
- ◆ Intellectual Disability
- ◆ Specific Learning Disability
- ◆ Speech / Language Impairment
- ◆ Traumatic Brain Injury
- ◆ Orthopedic Impairment
- ◆ Other Health Impairment  
Such as ADHD, asthma, cancer, diabetes, Tourette Syndrome, and

others.



Free information and support for special needs children, families and educators.

## **INFORMATION RESOURCES**

**Berkeley County Board of Education**  
1453 Winchester Ave., Martinsburg, WV 25405  
304-267-3500

**Family Resource Network of the Panhandle**  
433 MidAtlantic Parkway  
Martinsburg, WV 25401  
[www.familyresourcenetworkotp.org](http://www.familyresourcenetworkotp.org)  
304-262-5360

**RAPP - Relatives As Parents Program**  
Sharon Awkard  
304-754-3802

**Outpatient Rehab-Dorothy McCormack Center**  
2000 Foundation Way, Martinsburg, WV 25401  
OT/PT/Speech Therapy  
304-264-1214

**EastRidge Health Systems**  
235 S. Water Street, Martinsburg, WV 25401  
[eastridgehealthsystems.org](http://eastridgehealthsystems.org)  
304-263-8954

**Shenandoah Valley Community Health**  
[www.svms.net](http://www.svms.net)  
304-263-4999

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## **Transition**

Our goal for all special-needs students exiting Berkeley County Schools (BCS) is that they are well prepared for adult life.

## **Work Exploration Program**

The Work Exploration Program is, simply, business owners and managers allowing students to come into their places of business for job observation and educational work experience. This program is invaluable because no parent, teacher, or textbook can teach community living and survival better than the community itself.