

IEP PREPARATION DOCUMENT FOR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS

An Individual Education Plan (IEP) is an important document in Ontario schools. It helps service as a guide to help with student success. An individual education plan (IEP) is a written plan that describes special education programs, accommodations and services that a school board will provide for a student. Schools should review your child's IEP regularly and update it based on their progress.

Source: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/individual-education-plans>

IEP SCHOOL TEAM:

A school must develop your child's IEP in consultation with you or, if your child is 16 years or older, with your child.

The IEP must include:

- a description of your child's strengths and needs and specific educational expectations
- an outline of the special education program and services that will be received
- a statement about the methods by which your child's progress will be reviewed
- a transition plan that includes the specific goals, actions required, person(s) responsible for actions, and timelines for each educational transition where your child requires support

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THINGS TO THINK ABOUT FOR PARENT/CAREGIVER TEAM:

WHAT ARE MY CHILD'S STRENGTHS?

WHAT ARE MY CHILD'S INTERESTS?

WHAT AREAS DOES MY CHILD NEED SUPPORT IN?

Individual Education Plan (IEP) Checklist for Parents/Caregivers

WHAT SPECIFIC TYPES OF SUPPORTS WORK BEST FOR MY CHILD? E.g. Modeling, visuals, one-to-one, choices, social scripts, timers, etc.

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IS THERE ANY ACCOMMODATIONS MY CHILD NEEDS? (E.g., assistive devices or equipment, proximity to instructor, headphones, alternative workspace, time management aids, etc.)

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QUESTION I HAVE ABOUT THE IEP FOR MY MEETING:

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HELPFUL RESOURCES FOR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS:

- Individual Education Plans Ontario - <https://www.ontario.ca/page/individual-education-plans>
- Special Education in Ontario Kindergarten to Grade 12 Policy and Resource Guide - <https://files.ontario.ca/edu-special-education-policy-resource-guide-en-2022-05-30.pdf>
- Hands The Family Help Network Education Organizer - <https://thefamilyhelpnetwork.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/School-Binder-Organizer-with-Tabs-English.pdf>