



# SPECIAL EDUCATION COURSE FOR PARENTS

Join **VELA** for our **FREE Special Education Course** for parents!

Along with other parents of children with special needs, you will...

- Understand special education services
- Understand your child’s special education paperwork (IEP)
- Learn what to do before, during and after your child’s special education meetings (ARDs)
- Learn effective communication and advocacy skills to work collaboratively with your child’s school
- Learn about and access other important special needs resources
- Get organized and build a Parent Toolkit Binder to use with teachers, therapists and doctors
- Practice self-care strategies for YOU!

## 2019 WINTER/SPRING SCHEDULE

### Daytime Courses - Wednesdays - 9:30am - 12pm

1st Offering Dates: 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/20, 2/27 and 3/6 2nd

Offering Dates: 4/10, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8 and 5/15

### Evening Courses - Wednesdays - 6pm - 8pm

1st Offering Dates: 1/30, 2/6, 2/13 and 2/20

2nd Offering Dates: 4/10, 4/17, 4/24 & 5/1

**Requirements:** 1) Attend all sessions  
2) Have a child in special education

**Call (512) 850-8281 to register**

and/or to receive information about case management and support services!

Refreshments and childcare provided for all sessions

*VELA is a nonprofit that empowers families of children with special needs through hands-on information, support, and community building*

“I was so confused before I took The Special Education Course- now I understand my child’s IEP and know what to ask for in special education meetings so that the teachers and I can work together to get the very best for her!”

- Eric, Isabellas’s dad