

# Parent Resources - Special Education

## Warren County Board of Developmental Disabilities

For any Warren County Board of Developmental Disabilities' service, an individual must reside in Warren County and be deemed eligible for County Board of DD services. Help Me Grow Central Intake is the starting point for children under age three. The Support Services Division is the starting point for services for all individuals over three years of age. The Intake Specialists will assess all individuals requesting services to determine the eligibility of the individual. For those who are currently eligible for services, eligibility is reviewed at the age of three, six and sixteen. The onset of disability must have occurred prior to the age of 22. Please visit their website at <https://warrencountydd.org/services-for-children> for all of the details. They have information about potty training and so much more. If you visit the tab marked Activities Portal, you can look for local activities to participate in, as well.

## Cincinnati Children's Hospital Resource Website

<https://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/patients/child/special-needs>

This website will connect you to local, state, national and international websites that you may find helpful. There is an extensive amount of information to be found here.

## Cincinnati Therapeutic Riding

Cincinnati Therapeutic Riding and Horsemanship is committed to improving the lives of individuals impacted by disabilities and unique challenges through equine assisted services. A variety of programs are available. Please visit their website at <https://www.ctrhequinetherapy.org> for more information.

## Sensory Friendly Films at AMC Newport on the Levee

The program provides a special opportunity for families who have children with disabilities to enjoy their favorite films in a safe and accepting environment. The auditoriums dedicated to the program have their lights up, the sound turned down and audience members are invited to get up and dance, walk, shout or sing! Visit <https://www.amctheatres.com/programs/sensory-friendly-films> for more information.

A store in the greater Cincinnati area that offers equipment that supports sensory-processing, gross-motor, fine-motor, and transitional skills.

## My Sensory Tools

<https://www.mysensorytools.com>

### **Pause for Parents. Play for Kids**

PAUSE provides rest, support, connection and fun to families with differing needs to build resilience and increase hope. They support families who have children (ages 0-24) with developmental disabilities, mental/behavioral health challenges (including complex trauma), chronic medical conditions, children with IEPs/504s and those in foster or kinship care. This organization also allows parents to leave for a couple of hours while the children get the care they need. Consider this resource and access more information by visiting the website below. <https://pauseforparents.org/>

### **Capabilities Play**

An indoor play gym geared towards 0-12 years that is an inclusive space with a mission to create a place where ALK kids can come play amongst their peers and siblings. They have equipment for sensory seekers, wheelchair users and meet a wide variety of fine/gross motor levels. They have changing tables and bathrooms, a snack bar and a party room. The nearest location is in West Carrollton, Ohio. Check out <https://capabilitiesplay.com/info>

### **We Rock the Spectrum**

A kid's gym that offers an inclusive philosophy and uniquely designed sensory equipment that is designed to aid children with sensory processing disorders. All children are able to benefit greatly from this equipment and the opportunity to play with children of all ability levels. This gym is located in Cincinnati. Check out <https://www.werockthespectrumcincinnati.com/>