



Every Kid in a Park: Parent Bulletin

[Every Kid in a Park Initiative](#) helps to engage and create supporters and advocates of nature's environment and provide an appreciation of America's history and culture. The initiative is an administration-wide effort among the National Park Service, Forest Service, Department of Education, Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Land Management, Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Reclamation, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The immediate goal is to provide an opportunity for every child across the country to experience America's public lands and waters in person throughout the 2015-2016 school year.

Parents, teachers, families, and children, explore together the millions of acres of national parks, historic structures, cultural artifacts, ancient forests, snow-capped mountains, and clear blue lakes. To begin, access an [Every Kid in a Park](#) pass. The pass will give you free access to national parks, national forests, national wildlife refuges, and more!

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The Critical Voice of Parents in Education

Parents can play a key role in demanding the world-class education that their children deserve. But, for many parents and families, it can be an uncertain task determining the best ways to support their children or the right questions to ask to ensure their children are learning and growing.

That's why, today, speaking from the perspective of a father of two young children, Secretary Arne Duncan described a set of educational rights that should belong to every family in America in a speech at the National PTA Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina. This set of three foundational family rights can unite everyone who works to ensure that students are prepared to thrive in school and in life.

Your child has a right to be prepared for success in college, careers and life through...

1

Free, quality preschool

2

High, challenging standards and engaging teaching and leadership in a safe, supportive, well-resourced school

3

An affordable, quality college degree



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Student Led IEP Meetings and Section 504 Meetings

The Utah Parent Center, with funding from the Interagency Outreach Training Initiative is pleased to provide two new webinars to parents and families. Details about how to involve students, the student's role, benefits and outcomes are explained. These recorded webinars are posted on the [Utah Parent Center's YouTube Page](#). Click the titles below to view.



Student-Led IEPs

April 2015

[Student Led IEPs webinar](#) is presented by Susan Loving, Utah State Office of Education Transition Specialist.



Student Led Section 504
Accommodation
Planning Meetings

Presented by Jennifer Slade, Utah State Office of Education

[Student Led Section 504 Accommodation Planning Meeting Webinar](#) is presented by Jennifer Slade, Utah State Office of Education.

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