



Parent Support Network is here for YOU!

Trained Parent Support Network volunteers are available to provide support and information to parents of students with special education needs. Parent Support Network parents are committed to supporting parents and staff as collaborative participants in the process of their child's education program.

Our Parent Support Network volunteer parents have an understanding of what parents in similar situations are going through. We are here to provide support.

If you want someone to listen or are looking for information, a trained parent volunteer is here to help.

Parent Support Network Volunteers

Name	Phone	School
Suzanne Antone	829-2968	Neil Armstrong
Elisabeth Duran	875-0430	Golden View
Scott Giles	828-0832	Montair
Rachel Hurd	833-9455	Country Club, Pine Valley, Cal High
Betsy Jimenez	945-1139	Rancho Romero
Erica Layman	648-1644	Tassajara Hills
Susan Lovella	552-0907	Montair
Laurie McGrath	839-3272	Montair
Nancy Mills	648-0312	Diablo Vista
Megan Portoni	556-2527	Golden View, Country Club
Laelah Quintor	829-0590	Hidden Hills, Montair
Ilna Rodd	736-3849	Sycamore Valley
Betsy Rutherford	216-4360	Venture
Mindy Silvers	413-5470	San Ramon Valley High
Nancy Vandell	829-2355	All Sites
Suzanne Viani	743-0651	Los Cerros

The Parent Support Network is facilitated by the SRVUSD Special Needs Liaison. For information, referrals and assistance, or if you are interested in training and serving as a volunteer in our network, please contact:
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For information on Special Education in our district, please visit
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San Ramon Valley Unified School District

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A parent to parent support network for families of children with special needs



You are not alone -
SRVUSD Parent Support Network can help you!



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WHAT IS THE SRVUSD PARENT SUPPORT NETWORK?

A parent to parent support network that provides emotional support and information to parents/families of children with special needs. We are not counselors or therapists. We are parents who have experienced the feelings and emotions that come with learning that our children have a disability. We offer support and encouragement, and can provide information, resources and perspective. SRVUSD Parent Support Network does not promote or recommend any treatment, therapy or professional services.

WHAT IS OUR MISSION?

SRVUSD seeks to provide and foster emotional support and information to parents/families of students with special needs, and to provide assistance connecting parents to others with similar experiences, to community groups and community resources and to promote positive relationships between parents and our school community.



WHAT IS OUR PHILOSOPHY?

We believe that parents who are informed, connected and supported by other parents who have “been there”, are better able to meet the challenges that arise. We believe that one of the most meaningful sources of support and information comes from other parents who have experienced parenting a child with a special need.

WHAT DOES PARENT SUPPORT NETWORK PROVIDE?

- A safe, non-judgmental and confidential outlet for sharing with parents who have gone through similar experiences
- Connection with a volunteer support parent who has been in a situation very similar to the one the parent now faces
- Emotional support and understanding for parents when they learn their child has a special need or when difficult situations arise
- Information on support groups/community resources
- Ways to help parents communicate effectively with school staff
- Educational information on various disabilities

INFORMATION IS KEPT CONFIDENTIAL

TO WHOM DOES PARENT SUPPORT NETWORK PROVIDE ASSISTANCE?

- Families seeking the opportunity to share experiences with other parents
- Families whose children are making transitions from one program to another
- Families who have recently relocated
- Families who have children with newly diagnosed disabilities

WHO MAKES REFERRALS TO THE PARENT SUPPORT NETWORK?

- Parents
- School Staff
- Friends
- Service Providers
- Program Supervisors
- Special Needs Liaison