

Frequently Asked Questions

Supporting Our Global Community: Multicultural Program for Families of Children and Youth with Disabilities

What suggestions are being made to families with how to cope with online learning? Are families receptive to suggestions or still too overwhelmed?

Although families may still face challenges with online learning, many are adapting and utilizing resources and information available to support learning at home. We encourage families to establish a plan and/or point of contact to maintain constant communication with schools and other professionals supporting the child's online learning. We also encourage families to take notice of what is going well and where extra support might be needed. It might be helpful to maintain a log detailing concerns as well as emerging skills and share this feedback with the child's team. This is also an opportunity for families to learn new strategies and tools to support virtual learning. We invite families to access free resources, such as online homework help programs with local libraries, webinars offering tips for learning at home – including the InspirED Webinar: Welcome to Homeroom!, and videos and publications providing strategies to support daily routines, activities, and interactions.

What specifically do these agencies do for families other than provide support?

OCALI and the Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities (OCECD) offer information, resources, and trainings to equip and empower families to support their children at home, school, and in the community. In addition, OCALI and OCECD help connect families to information and resources within their community. To learn more, check out the many online resources offered by OCECD (www.ocecd.org) and OCALI (www.ocecd.org).