



## New Albany Special Connections

presents:

**A one-day seminar on Special Education; understanding the issues and processes with national presenters Pete and Pam Wright.**

**When: Saturday, February 26, 2005 8am-4:30pm**

**Place: New Albany Elementary School (2-5 building)  
87 N. High Street; New Albany, OH 43054**

Mark your calendars and register early for our special winter program. This one day seminar will replace our winter educational evening because this topic is too large and often too confusing to cover in a short educational evening. We couldn't think of a better way to help parents, educators and other professionals caring for children with special education needs to get the facts. This seminar will focus on four main areas:

- Special education law
- Rights and responsibilities
- Test and measurements to measure progress and regression
- SMART IEP'S.

This seminar will be taught by:

**Peter W. D. Wright, Esq.**, an attorney and nationally recognized expert in the field of Special Education Law. Pete has lectured around the country to parent organizations, school systems and national conferences.

**Pamela Wright, M.A., M.S.W.**, a psychotherapist who has worked with children and families for more than 30 years. Her training and experience in clinical psychology and clinical social work give her a unique perspective on parent-child school dynamics. Pam is the primary author of the Wright's two best selling books on special education.

### Registration:

Registration will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. **Space is limited** and **registration must be made in advance – no walk-ins**. No refunds will be given.

The registration fee is \$75.00 and includes:

- two books by Pete and Pam Wright which will be used as workbooks during the conference. ***The books alone are a sixty dollar value.***
  - Wrightslaw: Special Education Law
  - Wrightslaw: From Emotions to Advocacy
- a copy of the State of Ohio Operating Standards for Children with Disabilities
- Lunch
- Refreshments

*New Albany Special Connections is a positive partnership between parents and educators to better serve children with special needs through education, resources and support.*

*New Albany Special Connections would like to thank The New Albany Community Foundation and The New Albany Women's Network for helping to make this one-day seminar possible for families, educators, and other professionals within our community.*

### Event Schedule

8am- 9am Registration and Refreshments

9-10am Special Education Law: IDEA

*Overview of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; Findings & Purposes; Definitions; ESY, Child Find, Least Restrictive Environment, Private Placements; Evaluations, Reevaluations, Individualized Education Programs (IEPs); Procedural Safeguards, Complaints, Notice, Placement in Alternative Educational Setting*

10-10:15am Break

10:15-10:45 am Special Ed Law: Section 504, No Child Left Behind

*Section 504 v. IDEA; Caselaw; IDEA Reauthorization; No Child Left Behind Act of 2001*

10:45-11am Tests&Measurements 101

*Progress and Regression; Standard Scores, Subtest Scores, Percentile Ranks; How to Chart Test Scores*

11-12pm Lunch (*provided on site*)

12-2pm SMART IEPs

*Specific, Measurable, Action Words, Realistic & Relevant; Time-limited; Strategies for Writing Present Levels of Performance Annual Goals, Short-term Objectives & Benchmarks; IEP Checklists; Recognizing Common IEP Problems*

2-2:15pm Break

2:15-4pm Tactics and Strategies

*Reasons for Parent-School Conflict; Identify Common Obstacles to Problem Solving and Communication - Emotion Myths, Roles, School Culture; Rules of Adverse Assumptions; How to Organize Your Child's File; How to Use the Comprehensive Evaluation; Effective Negotiation Strategies; Letter Writing Strategies; the "Letter to the Stranger"; How to Prepare for School Meetings*

4-4:30pm Questions & Answers



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

\* Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\* Email \_\_\_\_\_

\* You will receive an email or telephone confirmation of your registration.

No. of Persons \_\_\_\_\_ x \$75 per person = Total Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

### **Professionals**

Title/Position \_\_\_\_\_

Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if you would like

*a copy of the State of Ohio*

*Operating Standards*

*Please return Registration form by*

*February 15, 2005 with check or*

*money order, payable to*

*New Albany Special Connections to:*

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