

ABOUT PETER AND PAM WRIGHT

Pete Wright is an attorney who represents children with special needs. Pete struggled with learning disabilities, including dyslexia, dysgraphia and ADHD. His determination to help children grew out of his own educational experiences.

Pam Wright is a psychotherapist with training in psychology and clinical social work. She is editor of *The Special Ed Advocate*.



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The Autism Program of Virginia TAP-VA

in association with the

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Present:

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**Hotel Roanoke
Roanoke Virginia
May 21, 2003**

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One Day Advocacy Training Seminar

8:00 - 8:45 am Registration and coffee.

8:45 - 10:15 am **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.

10:15 - 10:30 am Break

10:30 - 11:00 am
Special Education Law: Section 504, No Child Left Behind. Section 504 v. IDEA; Case law; IDEA Reauthorization (IDEA 2002); Back to School on Civil Rights; No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

11:00 - 11:45 am

Tests & Measurements 101.

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

11:45 - 1:00 pm **Lunch on your own.**

1:00 - 2:30 pm **Introduction to 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

2:30 - 2:45 pm Break

2:45 - 4:00 pm **Introduction to Tactics & Strategies.**
Reasons for Parent-School Conflict; Identify Common Obstacles to Problem Solving & Communication - Emotions, 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; School Meeting Survival Strategies.

4:00 - 4:30 pm Review. Qs & As.

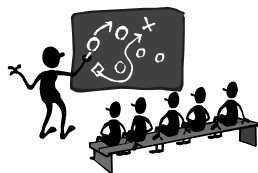
If you are a person with a disability and require any auxiliary aids, services, or other accommodations for this workshop, please discuss your accommodation needs with Tracy Gravelly by calling 804-355-0300. Requests after April 25 can not be guaranteed.



Refund policy: Requests for refunds or prepaid enrollments are honored if they are received by May 14. There will be a \$15 processing fee for cancellations:
However, substitutions are accepted at any time.



A Block of rooms have been reserved at the Hotel Roanoke for the night before the Seminar, Tuesday, May 20. A special room rate of \$94 is available. Mention The Autism Program to receive this rate. Call 1-800-222-TREE **Parking Costs \$1-4.00** (8733)



Teamwork is the answer!

Directions

From North or South I-81; Exit 143(I-581 South) to Exit 5; bear right onto Wells Avenue, parking straight ahead.
From 220 North: 220 North becomes I-581 North. Exit 4E to Route 460 (Orange Ave.), right on Williamson Road, right on Wells Avenue, parking straight ahead.
From Lynchburg 460 West; 460 West becomes Orange Avenue. Left on Williamson Road, right on Wells Avenue, parking straight ahead.

Wrightslaw Registration Form

All participants will receive copies of the books:

Wrightslaw: Special Education Law
Wrightslaw: From Emotions to Advocacy (FETA)
Virginia Special Education Regulations

Morning coffee and afternoon refreshments will be provided. Lunch is on your own.

Sign up for:	Quantity	Price
<input type="checkbox"/> Registration for May 21, 2003	_____	\$85.00
Confirmation Letters with directions and restaurant locations will be mailed two weeks before the seminar.	Total: _____	

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Method of Payment:

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- Visa
- MasterCard

We are only accepting phone and fax registration with a valid credit card or school purchase order.

Credit Card # _____ Exp. date _____

Signature _____

We CANNOT give a discount for a book you may already own. Please donate any extra copies you may have to your public library or Parent Resource Center.

This workshop is not disability specific. Educators and parents are highly urged to attend.

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