



Get **SET...**  
**Support**  
**Educate**  
**Train for Success!**

[Video/Webinar Library](#)

[KY-SPIN Publications](#)

(Infographics, short videos & more)

The **mission** of KY-SPIN, Inc. is to link families and individuals with disabilities to valuable resources that will enable them to live productive, fulfilling lives.

[Visit our Website](#)

## Director's Corner

Hi, hope all is well. We all experience big emotions: frustration, excitement, disappointment, and joy. As adults, we're still learning how to manage them, and our children are too.

It's okay to feel overwhelmed, we all do at some point. Our children feel this as well, even when they can't put it into words. When children have big reactions, it's not because they are "bad," but because they are learning. Behavior is communication, offering clues about what they need.

Sometimes, as parents, we need to ask for help and that is a sign of strength. It also teaches our children to do the same.

With Love,  
Rhonda Logsdon



Remember Behavior can also be Communication when we are unable to express ourselves verbally



**Helping Our Little's  
Recognize  
Supports And How They  
Can Help Advocate For Them!**






# Bridging the Gap in Special Education



Join KY-SPIN for friendly, easy-to-follow sessions to help you understand the Special Education Process.



Upcoming Sessions		Weekly <u>Virtual</u> Sessions <b>TWO</b> Attendance Options  10:00 am - 11am EST <b>OR</b> 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm EST
Date	Topic	
April 2, 2026	Building Partnerships	
April 9, 2026	Overview of Section 504, American with Disabilities Act (ADA) & Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) 2004	
April 16, 2026	The Special Education Process	
April 23, 2026	Individualized Education Program (IEP) Development, Pt 1	
April 30, 2026	IEP Development, Pt 2	
May 7, 2026	IDEA Procedural Safeguards and Dispute Resolution	
May 14, 2026	504 Plan and Individual Health Plan (IHP)	



**Register Now:**  
<https://tinyurl.com/3f4rhtn3>

**For more information contact:**  
**Amber Hamm:**  
 [amber@kyspin.com](mailto:amber@kyspin.com)  
 859-907-5685

1-800-525-7746                      spininc@kyspin.com                      www.kyspin.com

[Register Now](#)  
[Download Flyer](#)

## Lunch and Learn

**April 14, 2026**  
**Elevating Family Voice:**  
**Bridging the Transition from Early Intervention to Preschool for Children  
who are DeafBlind**  
**12-1PM ET**

Presented by Donna Carpenter, Kentucky Deafblind Project.

This session explores the diverse experiences of families of children with vision and hearing differences as they transition from early intervention to preschool services. Participants will consider family perspectives to better understand common challenges and successes during this process. The session will also highlight family-centered strategies, tools, and resources that can support more successful and collaborative transitions.

[Register Now](#)

## Transition Tuesday

**April 28, 2026**  
**Collaborative Communication Skills for Everyday Situations**

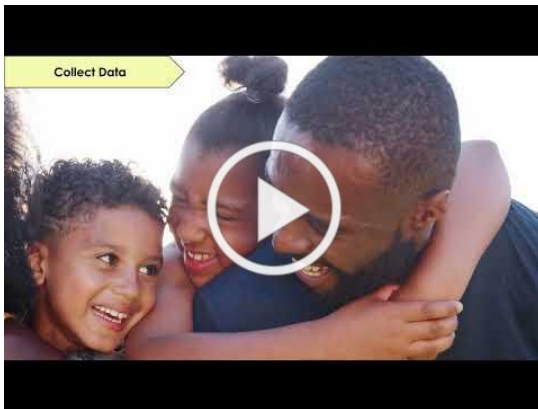
Build confidence in speaking up, sharing your needs, and working toward solutions. This session introduces six key self-advocacy skills and practical communication tools to help you navigate everyday situations, resolve disagreements respectfully, and use your voice to create positive change.

[Register Now](#)

## Resource Central



### Functional Behavior Assessment (FBA)



### Behavior Intervention Plan (BIP)




Download [Functional Behavior Assessment \(FBA\) & Behavior Intervention Plan \(BIP\) Infographic and worksheets](#)



[KY-SPIN Learning Center](#), offering free online, self-paced learning courses designed to help families, youth and professionals!


## Early Childhood

### Behavior




# BEHAVIOR

Your child's behaviors can be positive or negative, physical or verbal.  
**Behavior is a reaction to our surroundings, feelings, and social interactions.**



**Sign**  
Negative behavior is a sign something deeper is going on.




Behavior is not who the person is, rather a reaction displayed.

**Communication**  
Behavior is communicating a message to us.  
A trusting relationship is key to addressing the behavior.

**Discover the Source**  
What is the root cause of your child's negative behavior?  
What is on the surface may not have anything to do with what is actually going on.  
Figuring out the source is not always easy to uncover.  
It takes time, compassion, understanding and patience to discover.

**Change a Negative Behavior**  
Address the cause of the behavior. Be proactive, develop a **Positive Behavior Intervention Plan (PBIP)** to help with navigating surroundings, feelings, social and emotional situations in a positive way.




www.kyspin.com      800-525-7746      spininc@kyspin.com

[Download](#)

## If you need someone to talk to....

- [988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline](#): Call or Text 988
- Kentucky [Community Mental Health Centers \(CMHCs\)](#) 24-Hour Crisis Numbers
- Disaster Distress Helpline Crisis line: 1-800-985-5990 (also available for Voice Phone-VP); Spanish-speakers can press "2" for 24/7 bilingual services. Website: <https://www.samhsa.gov/ddh>

## Youth Connect

 Did you know students under age 22 who are working and going to school can earn money without it lowering their SSI benefits?

**Student Earned Income Exclusion (SEIE)**



### Student Earned Income Exclusion

**Student Earned Income Exclusion (SEIE)** is a provision of the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program. This exclusion allows students under the age of 22 to receive wages/income up to a specified amount that will not affect their countable income and their benefits.

www.ssa.gov

#### What is the definition of STUDENT?

To qualify, a student must be regularly attending school and taking one or more classes. Students may participate in college or university classes, be in grades 7-12 or attend training courses. For a full list of student requirements go to:

<https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-student-earned-income.htm>

#### SEIE excluded earnings amounts

The amount of MONTHLY and YEARLY exemption limits are usually changed by the Social Security Administration annually. The 2026 SEIE amount of earnings that will not effect program eligibility or benefits are:

**Annual Income - \$9,730 Monthly Income - \$2,410**

<https://www.ssa.gov/oact/cola/studentEIE.html>

#### Other Resources

- <https://kydb101.org>
- <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-plans-self-support.htm>
- <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-work-expenses.htm>
- <https://www.ssa.gov/work/WIPA.html>

#### AT A GLANCE

- SEIE can be used in addition to other work incentive programs
- SSI asset limit remains the same (consider opening an **ABLE program account** for potential savings)
- Evidence of Student Status may be required for determination
- For school breaks or vacations student must notify SSI of intent to return to school.



#### KY-SPIN

The mission of KY-SPIN is to link families and individuals with disabilities to valuable resources that will enable them to live productive, fulfilling lives.

800-525-7746

Download [Student Earned Income Exclusion Infosheet](#)

## Youth Suite

Learn more about us  
[KY-SPIN Infographic](#)  
[KY-SPIN Infosheet](#)

Follow us  
@kyspininc on



REQUEST ASSISTANCE OR MAKE A REFERRAL  
800-525-7746 or 502-937-6894- [spininc@kyspin.com](mailto:spininc@kyspin.com)

[Contact Form \(www.kyspin.com/contact/\)](http://www.kyspin.com/contact/)

Download Printable [KY-SPIN Referral Form Here \(https://tinyurl.com/4t2evb59\)](https://tinyurl.com/4t2evb59)

KY-SPIN, Inc. | 800-525-7746 | [spininc@kyspin.com](mailto:spininc@kyspin.com) |  
[Website](#) | [Donate](#)

The contents of this eNews were developed in part under a grant from the US Department of Education, # H328M250119. However, those contents do not necessarily represent the policy of the US Department of Education, and you should not assume endorsement by the Federal Government.

Information contained herein are for informational purposes only and do not imply endorsement by SPIN or KY-SPIN, Inc.

KY-SPIN, Inc. | 10301-B Deering Road | Louisville, KY 40272 US

Constant Contact Data Notice



Try email marketing for free today!