

Kinship Families Education Resources



As a kinship caregiver, you can call on your Kinship Navigator for help finding education resources. You may also find the following resources and contacts to be helpful.

Child care and preschool

- **Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) and Head Start** offer services for qualified preschoolers. Call 425-453-1227 or visit www.wsaheadstarteceap.com
- **ChildCare Aware of Washington** helps connect caregivers with local childcare providers. Call 1-866-416-4321 or visit <https://childcareawarewa.org/>
- **2-1-1 Washington Information Network (WIN)** can help find childcare near you. Translators available. Call 2-1-1 or visit <https://search.wa211.org/>

K-12 education services

- **McKinney-Vento:** The Education of Homeless Children and Youth Assistance Act is a federal law that provides funding to states for programs that serve homeless students. Call 360-725-6505 or visit <https://www.k12.wa.us/student-success/access-opportunity-education/homeless-education>
- ***DCYF's Foster Care Liaison:** For a list of foster care contacts by county, visit <https://www.k12.wa.us/student-success/access-opportunity-education/foster-care/foster-care-liaisonsdcyf-contacts>, call 360-725-6505, or email fostercare@k12.wa.us
- **The Washington Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI)** offers resources for parents and families. Visit <https://www.k12.wa.us/parents-families>
- **The Office of Native education** <https://www.k12.wa.us/student-success/access-opportunity-education/native-education>
- **Public libraries in Washington State** offer help with educational technology. Visit <https://access.wa.gov/topics/communitytechnology/library.html>
- The **Education Ombuds** is an independent and confidential state advocate who resolves complaints, disputes, and problems between families and K-12 public schools. Call 1-866-297-2597 or visit www.oeo.wa.gov
- **TreeHouse** serves children in the foster care system (eligibility criteria must be met). Call 206-767-7000 or visit <https://www.treehouseforkids.org/>
- **Informing Families** offers updated information provided by the **Washington State Developmental Disabilities Council** and other statewide partners. Visit www.informingfamilies.org
- **PAVE, Partnerships for Action, Voices for Empowerment**, is an organization that supports families impacted by disabilities. Call 1-800-5-PARENT or visit www.wapave.org
- **Washington State's Wraparound with Intensive Services (WISE)** connects caregivers with education resources for children with disabilities (eligibility criteria must be met). Visit <https://www.hca.wa.gov/billers-providers-partners/behavioral-health-recovery/wraparound-intensive-services-wise>

