

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION WA

Supporting Students with Autism and Other Diverse Learning Needs

The Department of Education WA provide free resources available to Department of Education Teachers. We have compiled a list of training modules and downloadable resources to assist you in supporting students with Autism and other diverse learning needs. Check out the links and resources below.

Department of Education WA - Professional Learning Information System (PLIS)

The Department of Education has developed a range of training resources including a specialised training module specific for supporting students with Autism.

To access the training, log into the [PLIS](#) and navigate to the Training section. Here you can access a multitude of training modules to support students with Autism and other disabilities.

Your school can use these resources to complete self-directed learning. You can choose to run workshops within your school, or you can contact School of Special Educational Needs: Sensory (SSEND) to deliver the first module through a webinar to get you started.

SSEND also offers a range of face-to-face workshops which you can attend. Some of these include:

- Speech Sound Difficulties
- Compassion in the Classroom
- Youth Mental Health First Aid
- ASD Modules

For more information

Visit: <https://plis.det.wa.edu.au/public.aspx>

One Classroom

One Classroom is a website that provides great resources and videos to help you to support students with Autism.

- The Connected Learning Hub provides curriculum materials and teaching resources designed to support teachers to differentiate and/or develop individualised learning approaches.
- The Professional Learning section provides the following self-paced learning such as ASD 101: Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder as well as others.

For more information

Visit: <https://www.oneclassroom.wa.edu.au/>

Contact: The Statewide Services Resource and Information Centre (SSRIC), Statewide Services, 33 Giles Avenue, Padbury.

School of Special Educational Needs: Disability (SSEND)

The School of Special Educational Needs: Disability (SSEND) is a team dedicated to building the capacity of Western Australian public schools to ensure students with disability (diagnosed or imputed) are able to access the curriculum on the same basis as their peers.

School principals or their delegates can request assistance from SSEND for students with eligible diagnosed or imputed disabilities.

SSEND also offers a range of face-to-face workshops which you can attend. Some of these include:

- Speech Sound Difficulties
- Compassion in the Classroom
- Youth Mental Health First Aid

For more information

Call: (08) 9402 6185

Email: SSEND.Enquiries@education.wa.edu.au

Visit: <https://www.oneclassroom.wa.edu.au/>

Positive Partnerships

This website provides online resources focussing on building a partnership between parents, carers and educators of school-age children with Autism.

Some examples of the resources available through the Positive Partnership's website include; face-to-face workshops for schools and parents, and an online learning hub with modules focussing on topics such as understanding Autism to Positive Behaviour supports.

For more information

Visit: <https://www.positivepartnerships.com.au/>

Autism Association of WA

Therapy Services

If you are working with a Therapist from the Autism Association, they can work with you to tailor goals and strategies for the student's Individual Education Plan (IEP) and assist with implementing strategies. They can also develop resources individualised to the student and your classroom, and work with the student and family to practice strategies across environments.

The Autism Association of WA work hard to ensure we are providing great quality resources and training to better support educators to achieve great outcomes for students with Autism. You can access these through our online resource page for teachers and educators.

Teachers and Educators Online Resources

Visit our website, navigate to our resources section and the resource page designed specifically for teachers and educators working with students with Autism: www.autism.org.au/resources.

Here you will find a range of resources including printable resources, planning documents, tip sheets, visual supports, high school supports, videos and more.

Autism Apps

Developed in response to parents, teachers and individuals who have asked us how to effectively use technology to support a person with Autism. This website aims to empower you with the skills and knowledge to successfully choose the Apps that are most appropriate for a person with Autism.

For more information visit: <https://www.autismapps.org.au/>

Printed Publications

Visit our online shop to access printed publications such as:

- **Autism Heroes:** Designed with the Australian National Curriculum in mind, the Autism Heroes Education Pack contains lesson plans, a video and worksheets for students in Years 3-6 to build their knowledge about Autism and learn how they can support people with Autism in their classroom and school environment.
- **Autism in the Classroom:** A resource kit for teachers of students with Autism which describes the features of Autism, provides support strategies relevant to the school environment, demonstrates ways of making the curriculum more accessible for students with Autism and provides strategies for preventing and managing behaviours of concern.
- **Thinking Ahead:** Focussing on the transition to high school and beyond, this publication was written for young people with Autism, parents, teachers, caregivers and others and includes information to support these transitions, along with many strategies to help during some potentially difficult times.

For more information

If you have any further questions about these supports or this fact sheet you can contact the Autism Association of WA on:

Tel: (08) 9489 8900

Email: autismwa@autism.org.au

Visit: www.autism.org.au