

Tips for how to use PWSA (USA)'s Wyatt Special Education Advocacy Training (WSEAT)

For Parents of a Student with PWS

We are very pleased you are visiting the WSEAT because this training was designed specifically for parents. We hope this training will, in various ways, help you to advocate more effectively for your child regardless of their age or grade. Here are some ways you can use this training:

- View all the training modules. You do not have to view them in order. You can start with the modules that are of most interest first. For example:
 - If your child is struggling with behavioral issues at school watch module 2. It gives an overview of how schools should respond to behavioral challenges, so you will be equipped to make sure your child's school is handling the situation appropriately.
 - If you are struggling with how to communicate with your child's IEP team then view modules 3 and 4. These modules provide advocacy tools and strategies to help you work more effectively with school professionals.
 - If you've heard the important term FAPE (Free Appropriate Public Education), but are not sure what it really means, then check out Module 7 (our newest) which explains FAPE and more.
- Modules 5 and 6 (PWS Problems and Solutions) are designed specifically for school professionals. Let your child's IEP Team know about these modules. Ask that the IEP Team be required to view these modules as part of their PWS training.
- The training is available 24/7 so you can fit viewing into your schedule. You can also view the module on the go through the PWSA app -available for both android and iPhones.
- Each module comes with pre-reading and downloadable resources. Completing the prereading is recommended because it will give you helpful context before you view the module.
- Save all the WSEAT downloadable resources for your special education advocacy library - including the downloadable slides for each presentation.
- If you do not have a copy of the Wrightslaw book "From Emotions to Advocacy" you can order it <u>for free</u> on the WSEAT website.
- Make sure to look at the additional resource page for more helpful information.
- Regularly check the WSEAT website to see if any additional modules or information has been added.