

# Hour of Power

## Family Engagement Opportunity

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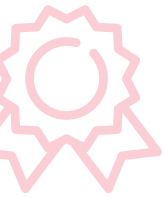
## VISION

To create a world-class educational system that gives students the knowledge and skills to be successful in college and the workforce, and to flourish as parents and citizens



## MISSION

To provide leadership through the development of policy and accountability systems so that all students are prepared to compete in the global community



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**ALL** Students Proficient and Showing Growth in All Assessed Areas



2

**EVERY** Student Graduates from High School and is Ready for College and Career



3

**EVERY** Child Has Access to a High-Quality Early Childhood Program

**EVERY** School Has Effective Teachers and Leaders

4



**EVERY** Community Effectively Uses a World-Class Data System to Improve Student Outcomes

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**EVERY** School and District is Rated “C” or Higher

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Purpose of Hour of Power

Get to know the MDE Office of Special Education Team

Resource Highlight and Upcoming Events

Feedback...We Want to Hear From You!

## What is the Hour of Power?

**The Hour of Power is an opportunity for parents, families, and other stakeholders to spend time learning more about special education and building relationships to support improved outcomes for students with disabilities.**

## When is the Hour of Power?

**The Hour of Power will be held virtually the first Thursday each month. You can use this [LINK](#) to join each month**

## Who can attend the Hour of Power?

**Anyone... Parents, Families, Advocates, Students, Stakeholders**

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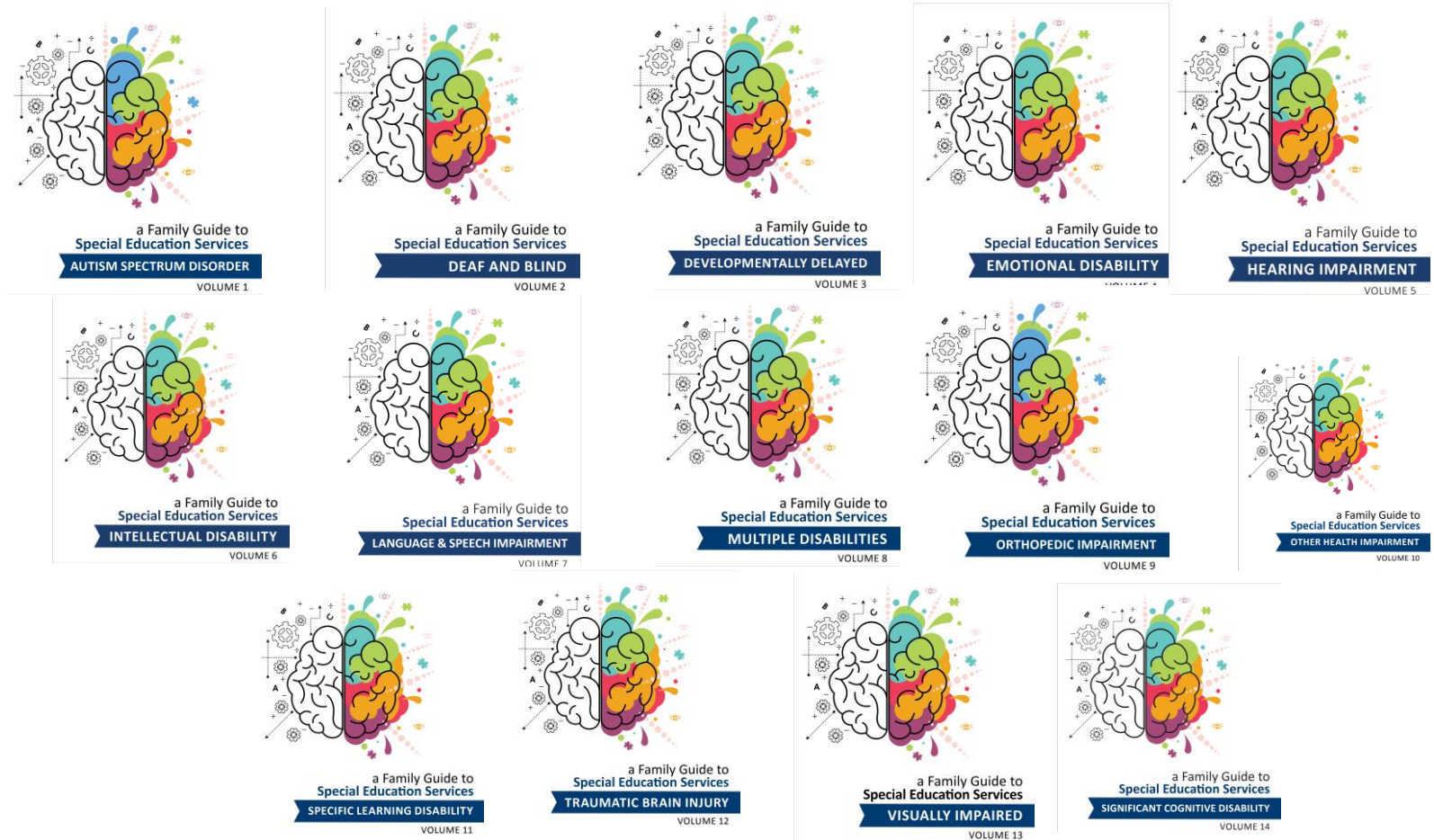
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# Resource Highlight: A Family Guide to Special Education

The Family Guides to Special Education offer families an overview of each IDEA eligibility category and significant cognitive disabilities. Each volume includes information unique to each category, useful tips, and resources. The Guides are available in the following languages: English, Arabic, Spanish, Vietnamese, Traditional Chinese, Simplified Chinese, and Punjabi



These Guides can be found at [www.mdek12.org/OSE/Information-for-Families/Resources](http://www.mdek12.org/OSE/Information-for-Families/Resources)

**SAVE the date**

**the  
time  
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Right**

**JUNE 19-21, 2024 - HILTON JACKSON**  
**IMPROVING OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS  
WITH DISABILITIES MEGA CONFERENCE**

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# QUESTIONS



**Our Next Hour of Power will be  
Thursday, June 6 at 12:00 p.m.**

**Link to join: [Join Here](#)**



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