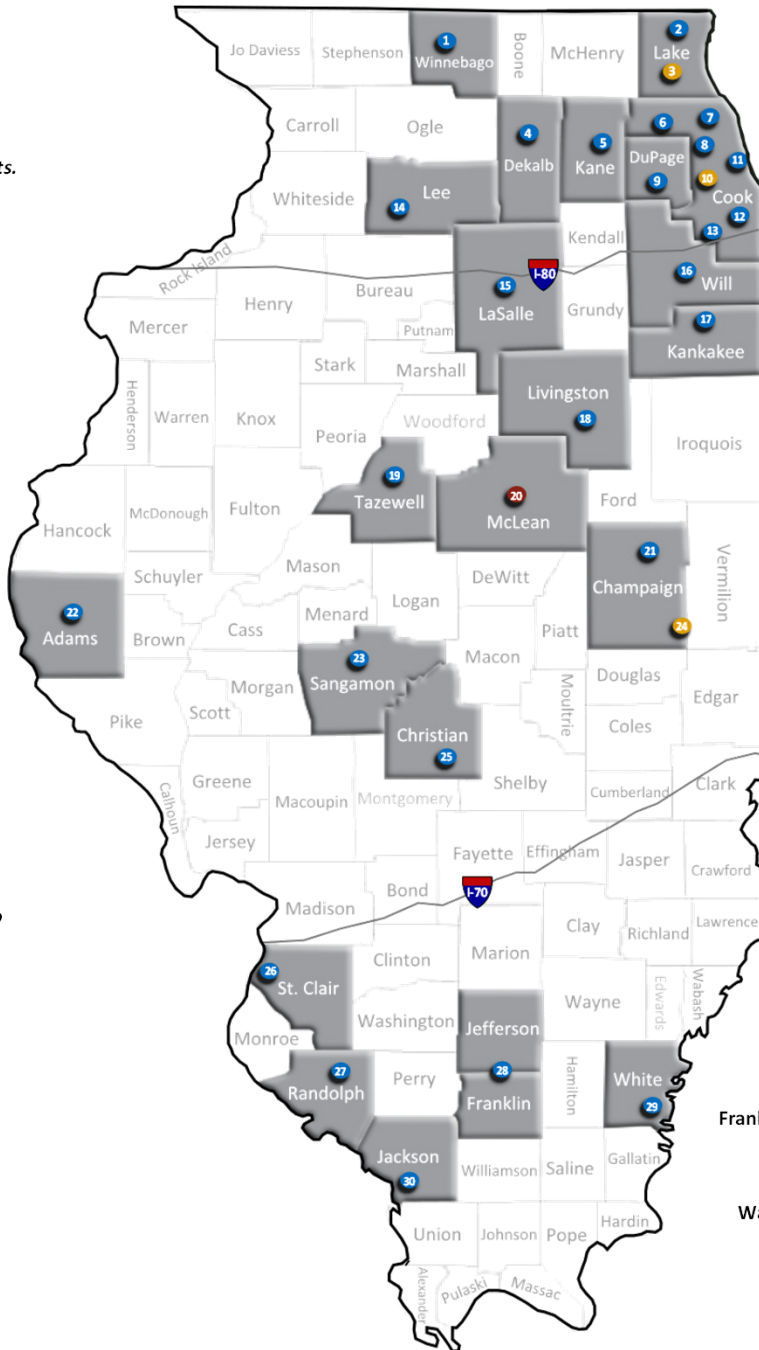




IATTAP Resource Material Centers Map

Illinois Autism Training and Technical Assistance Project

- 1 Rockford Public Schools, Rockford**
Shelley Buckwalter
815.229.2862
- 2 SEDOL, Gages Lake**
Terri Jaske
847.548.8470 X2345
- 3 STARNET Region II, Arlington Hts.**
Kathy Slattery
224.366.8579
- 4 NIA, Sycamore**
MaryK Brennan
815.964.0937
- 5 District 300, Algonquin**
Delacy Family Center
Joan Steenhausen
847.426.1450
- 6 NSSEO, Mt. Prospect**
Linda Hoeck
847.463.8100
- 7 NSSED**
Northbrook Public Library
Eric Robbins & Joanne Larser
847.272.6224
- 8 Niles Township, Morton Grove**
Claire Hanley
847.965.9040
- 9 NDSEC, Roselle**
Vic Morris
630.894.0490
- 10 ISRC**
Michalla Sedano
847-559-8195
- 11 Chicago Public Schools, Chicago**
Cassie Wells
773.553.1845
- 12 LADSE, LaGrange**
Ellen Busch
708.354.5730
- 13 Eisenhower, Midlothian**
Shawn Fornek
708.371.6340
- 14 Kreider Services, Dixon**
Julie Rombout & Laura Watters
815.288.6691
- 15 LEASE, Ottawa**
Jeanette Redman
815.433.6433



- 16 Lincoln Way, Frankfort**
Colleen Patton
815.806.4600
- 17 Kankakee School District #111**
Christy Strole
815.802.7807
- 18 Livingston County, Pontiac**
Dawn Conway
815.844.7115
- 19 Tazewell-Mason, Pekin**
Jan Staker
309.346.1186
- 20 Autism Spectrum Institute - ISU**
Stacey Bock or Nikki Michalak
309.438.5291
- 21 Rural Champaign, Rantoul**
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217.892.8877
- 22 Adams County, Quincy**
Kristen Kendrick
217.228.7158 ext.250
- 23 SASED, Springfield**
217.566.3542
Fax: 217.566.2183
- 24 Project CHOICES Allerton**
Mandy Waggoner
217.834.3543
- 25 Mid-State, Taylorville**
Fran Amling
217-526-8121 X233
- 26 STARNET Region IV, Belleville**
Dinnia Cooper
618-825-3968
- 27 Perandoe, Red Bud**
Red Bud Public Library
Brenda Gilpatrick
618.282.2255
- 28 Franklin & Jefferson Counties, Benton**
Patti Doughty
618.439.7231
- 29 Wabash & Ohio Valley, Norris City**
Lane Wenzel
618.378.2131
- 30 Thomas School, Carbondale**
618.457.6226

- University Connection – Illinois State University
- Regional Resource Material Centers
- Statewide Resource Material Centers

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ILLINOIS STATEWIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER (ISTAC)

The Illinois Autism Training and Technical Assistance Project

The Illinois Autism Training and Technical Assistance Project (IATTAP) is one of four Illinois State Board of Education initiatives under the Illinois State Wide Technical Assistance Center (ISTAC) that provide training and technical assistance to schools in Illinois. Other ISTAC partners are PBIS Network, Project CHOICES and ISTAC-Parent. IATTAP focuses on educating and supporting children with autism spectrum disorders (ASD) and their families and schools. The Project is operated under a grant to the School Association for Special Education in DuPage County (SASED) and its major goals are to:

- **Build local capacity to establish and implement effective educational supports and services in the least restrictive environment for children with ASD**
- **Promote a proactive approach to working with individuals with ASD and their families**
- **Help children with ASD remain with their families in their home communities and become productive**
- **Increase the percentage of students on the autism spectrum who are educated in the general education classroom**
- **Increase the effective and meaningful involvement of parents in their children's education**

REGIONAL RESOURCE MATERIAL CENTERS

IATTAP has established Regional Resource Material Centers throughout the state. These Centers house ASD resource materials available for loan to parents, professionals and community members. Some Centers have materials in addition to those provided by the project. Some sites also have multi-disciplinary teams that have received extensive training through IATTAP and other sources and are available for training, consultation and technical assistance to schools and families in their geographic locations. Contact the Center in your area for specific services and assistance in accessing the resources. In addition, IATTAP has a lending library and resource directory online at the project website www.illinoisautismproject.org

FAMILY RESOURCES & SUPPORT

The Autism Training and Technical Assistance Project offers support to families through a Family Resource Specialist Network and Parent Cafes. Parent Cafes are held in a variety of areas in Illinois throughout the year and focus on different topics of interest to parents for working with and enjoying their child. They are facilitated by parents of children with ASD and family members. The Family Resource Specialist Network helps to connect parents who share the experience of having a child with autism and to distribute valuable resource information from family to family through phone calls, emails, family conferences and resource guides. **There is no charge for family members to attend Parent Cafes or access resources through the Family Resource Specialist Network.** See more information on the project website.

FOCUS FAMILY SUPPORT AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES

IATTAP offers the Focus Family Support for Autism Spectrum Disorders, a model of support and technical assistance that was developed by the West Virginia Autism Training Center through a grant from the Centers for Disease Control. This model focuses on intensive family-centered support and combines key elements from Positive Behavior Supports with Person-Centered Planning to achieve positive changes for families with children with autism spectrum disorders. IATTAP helps families develop a support team to work on goals in the home, school and community. Contact the state office for more information: 630-889-7398 or www.illinoisautismproject.org.

ASD ON-LINE COURSES/ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY CONNECTION

IATTAP has partnered with the Autism Spectrum Institute at Illinois State University to develop on-line courses on ASD. A foundation level on-line training course on autism is available free for CPDU credit – register through Mindy Bolin mbolin@ilstu.edu or Nikki Michalak nakempe@ilstu.edu. Undergraduate and graduate credit courses are also available through ISU - contact Mindy Bolin mbolin@ilstu.edu or Nikki Michalak nakempe@ilstu.edu for additional information regarding the courses and registration.

ILLINOIS EXPERIENTIAL PRACTICUM AND COACHING NETWORK

As follow-up to the on-line course, IATTAP sponsors a week-long hands-on, experiential practicum for school teams and parents in various locations throughout Illinois. Coaching and networking meetings are available during the school year for continued skill-building and support in implementation of strategies and capacity-building.

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