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Nevada PEP celebrates 25 years of helping Nevada families!

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Helping Families in the Pandemic

Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer (P-EBT) is a new program for families that receive SNAP and TANF benefits. Children who have received free or reduced meals are eligible for more information [click here](#). The implementation of Pandemic EBT is in line with USDA's commitment to keep Americans safe, secure, and healthy during this national emergency and to keep kids fed when schools are closed.

Informational Briefs for Parents

Most students will begin the school year in distance learning. Parents have unanswered questions and are facing many challenges. Check out these informational briefs [Improving the Quality of Distance and Blended Learning](#) and [Academic Support for Students with Disabilities](#), they are easy to understand and can help parents to make decisions on strategies that might work for their child.



Special Education What You Need to Know

Nevada PEP and Nevada Legal Services collaborated to provide families with important information about Special Education during this pandemic. [Click Here](#) to watch this informative webinar and learn how schools and parents can plan for students with disabilities to make progress during these unprecedented times.

The Trevor Project

The Trevor Project was founded in 1998 by the creators of the Academy Award®-winning short film TREVOR, The Trevor Project is the leading national organization providing crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer & questioning (LGBTQ) young people under 25. To get help or Resources go to [The Trevor Project](#). Trevor's counselors are just a [phone call](#), [chat](#), or [text](#) away. You are not alone.

Connecting Kids Nevada

Most of Nevada's students have started the school year learning online, but not all Nevada students have access to the equipment they need to participate and succeed in a virtual classroom.

- 1) Need a device for your student? Call your school.
 - 2) Need internet connectivity? Call the Family Support Center at 888-616-2476
- Visit www.connectingkidsnv.org for more information . . .
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Distance Learning and Challenging Behaviors

As families continue to struggle trying to balance work schedules and distance learning with their children, another challenge maybe behaviors that your child may exhibit. The Pacer Center offers some suggestions that may help parents

to identify why the behaviors may be happening, [click here](#) for more information.

Tips for Parents about Virtual Learning

Parents are faced with a new normal the beginning of the school year. Kitchen tables are now the new classroom environment. As students begin the year with virtual learning the [National Center for Learning Disabilities](#) have developed [A Parent's Guide to Virtual Learning](#), learn four important things that parents should know and steps they can take to help ensure that their child can be successful this school year.

PEP Webinars

Take a short break and get the information you need without leaving the indoor warmth of your home or work. Click the links below to get a description and register for these amazing webinars.

- Presented by Nevada PEP

[Introduction IEP's- Virtual Style](#)

Thursday, September 3, 3:00pm – 4:00pm

[Transition Planning: Navigating Your Future](#)

Wednesday, September 9, 10:00am – 11:00am

[How is My Child Reading?](#)

Friday, September 11, 2:00pm - 3:00pm



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provoking documentaries, The Criterion Collection, and more with new titles added weekly. Browse Kanopy Kids for unlimited age-appropriate shows and movies with access to parental controls.

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Transition Corner



Free Virtual Classes

PeaceLove Studios promotes mental well-being by using creativity and self-expression to inspire, explore, and communicate. They have the belief that everyone deserves a safe space to share their emotions. PeaceLove is offering virtual classes to access creative tools to improve your mental health, and to find peace of mind. Sign up [here](#).

Youth M.O.V.E. Nevada Update

Youth MOVE Nevada is continuing to work hard in reaching out to youth in Southern, Northern, and Rural Nevada. We are still facilitating two virtual meetings a month where peer support has been accentuated now more than ever. Our August [podcast](#) topic is Self-Advocacy. We explain what self-advocacy is and why it is important for youth to develop self-advocacy skills. Stay connected with Youth MOVE Nevada from home by checking out our website at www.nvpep.org/youth-move and getting access to more resources on Facebook: facebook.com/youthmoenv, Twitter: [@YouthMOEnv](https://twitter.com/YouthMOEnv), and Instagram: [@YouthMOEnv](https://instagram.com/YouthMOEnv).

Statewide Family News

After several months of planning and anticipation, schools across the state have started the new school year. The Statewide Family Network is helping families of children with mental health care needs to navigate systems to help

their children.

Students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) remain entitled to a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) in distance, hybrid, and social-distance environments. Schools and parents will need to collaborate and be creative to help children and youth to learn and to [receive the services and supports](#) that they need.

Home Safe Tips

In response to the current crisis, Consumer Product Safety Commission has created a series of Home Safe Checklists in both English and Spanish. During these uncertain and sometimes overwhelming times, these checklists are simple steps you can check off for your family's safety.

[Home Safe for Young Children, Espanol](#),

[Home Safe for Older Children, Espanol](#),

[Home Safe For Everyone, Espanol](#),

[Home Safe- Playing Outdoors, Espanol](#)



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