



### Social Networking and Community Building

Students need to practice social skills and build a community support system. These resources will provide families with information on how they can help their children become more involved in the community.



#### [Skills For Independent Living: Parents Help Build Social Skills](#)

Provides explanations of seven tools parents can use to help their youth practice and improve social skills.



#### [Friends: Connecting People with Disabilities and Community Members](#)

Provides information on helping people with disabilities increase community membership and belonging, including promoting relationships with community members. It is written for agency staff but can be used by anyone such as individuals receiving services, families, and support coordinators, etc.



#### [Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports: Supporting Your Child At Home and In the Community](#)

Addresses how Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) can be used to teach and encourage appropriate behaviors at home and in the community.



#### [DIDD Community Services](#)

Provides links to all of DIDD's community programs.



#### [Independent Living Research Utilization](#)

Provides contact info for all of Tennessee's Centers for Independent Living. These centers provide information and referral, peer support, advocacy, skills training, transition services, employment readiness, benefits counseling, ADA consultations, and Braille transcription to people with disabilities.

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