

AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS RELATED SUPPORT GROUPS IN KENTUCKY

In the past several years, the awareness of autism has dramatically increased in our Commonwealth. This increased public awareness of autism can be attributed to the grass roots collaborative efforts of support groups across the state bringing together families and professionals. Below is an updated list of the autism spectrum disorders related support groups in Kentucky.

Name of support group	Address	Contact	Alternate contact	Group Activities
Autism Society of Kentuckiana (A.S.K.) (Louisville and Southern Indiana)	Autism Society of Kentuckiana P.O. Box 90 Pewee Valley, KY 40056 www.ask-lou.org	Deanna Gadjen (812) 949-2922 armj01@aol.com	Laurie Spezzano (502) 222-4706 lauries@iglou.com	2nd Saturday of the Month 10 – 12 noon EST Kentucky School for the Blind- 1867 Frankfort Ave. Louisville, KY 40206
Autism Society of Southeastern Kentucky (Laurel and Knox Counties)	Kim Smith Autism Society of Southeastern Kentucky 60 Cameron Lane London, KY 40744	Kim Smith (606) 864-4557		Call for a meeting schedule.
Autism Society of the Bluegrass (Lexington and Richmond areas)	Melanie Tyner-Wilson Autism Society of the Bluegrass 243 Shady Lane Lexington, KY 40503 www.geocities.com/autism-societyofthebluegrass/	Melanie Tyner-Wilson (859) 278-4991 Tynerswilso@aol.com		Last Monday of the month 6:30 PM– 8:30 PM EST St. Michael's Episcopal Church 2025 Bellefonte Dr. Lexington, KY 40503
Autism Society of Western Kentucky (Henderson, Daviess, Union, Webster, McLean, Ohio, and Hancock Counties)	Nancy Boyett Autism Society of Western Kentucky P.O. Box 1647 Henderson, KY 42419-1647	Nancy Boyett (270) 826-0510		No specific support group meetings. Call for a list of upcoming events and resource library hours. Annual Conference
Autism Society of Greater Cincinnati	Autism Society of Greater Cincinnati P.O. Box 43027 Cincinnati, OH 45243-0027 asgc@cinci.rr.com	Ann Hagerstrand ann@hagerstrand.com		Call for a meeting schedule.
Purchase Area Chapter of the Autism Society of America (Ballard, Carlisle, Calloway, Livingston, McCracken, and Graves Counties)	Purchase Area Chapter of the Autism Society of America 4125 Roettger Dr. Keville, KY 42053 www.angelfire.com/ky2/pasa	Michelle Sullivan (270) 462-8101 jacob9306@aol.com		Call for date, time, and place.
FEAT of Louisville, INC.	FEAT of Louisville, INC. P.O. Box 5214 Louisville, KY 40255 (502) 609-2901 featoflouisville.org	Crystal Johnston (502)693-2963 crystal@featoflouisville.org	Anne Gregory (502) 254-7733 Amgregor@aol.com	2nd Thursday of the month 7:00 – 9:00 PM EST Highland Presbyterian Church 1011 Cherokee Rd., Louisville, KY 40204 Annual fundraiser-"Create a Stir About Autism"
Barren River Area Autism Support Groups (Barren, Hart, Monroe, Logan, Butler, Allen, Edmonson, Simpson, and Warren Counties)	Barren River Area Autism Support Group TJ Samson Resource Center 922 Happy Valley Rd. Glasgow, KY 42141 schooltherapies@tjsamson.org	Susan Fant (270) 651-6510 sfant@glasgow-ky.com		4th Thursday of the month at TJ Samson Resource Center at 12 p.m.
Barren River Area (Todd/Butler Counties)		Grace Rafi (270) 542-4915		Call for information regarding local resources.

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Danville / Boyle County Autism Parent Support Group (Boyle, Mercer, Casey, Lincoln, and Garrard Counties)	Melissa Caudill Danville / Boyle County Autism Parent Support Group 424 Maple Ave. Danville, KY 40422	Melissa Caudill (859) 236-8812 gmcbrc@bellsouth.net	Linda Smith (859) 236-4850 lindaandrich@searnet.com	Call for date, time, and place.
Eastern Kentucky University Autism and Related Disorders	Rita Brockmeyer Eastern Kentucky University Autism and Related Disorders 100 Ross Drive Richmond, KY 40475 www.psychology.eku.edu/Autism/general.html	Rita Brockmeyer (859) 623-6074	Myra Beth Bundy MyraBeth.Bundy@eku.edu	Support Group Student Conference Grandparent Conference Teen & Young Adult Social Group
Parent and Professional Autism Support Group in Powell County (Wolf, Montgomery, Clark, and Powell Counties)	Kay Marksberry Parent and Professional Autism Support Group in Powell County Stanton Elementary School P.O. Box 367 Breckenridge St Stanton, KY 40380	Kay Marksberry (859) 498-4065 Home (606) 663-3330 Work kmarksberry@powell.k12.ky.us	Marilyn Barnett (606) 663-2854 Shirley Christopher (606) 663-1727 Virginia Wills (606) 663-3308	2nd Tuesday of the month 4:00 –5:30 PM Powell County Middle School
Hopkins County Autism Awareness Advocates	Vicky and Bob Renn Hopkins County Autism Awareness Advocates 89 Westside Ave. Madisonville, KY 4243	Vicky and Bob Renn (270) 825-9067 Home (270) 825-5182 Work bwren@yahoo.com	Ron and Cathy Wilson 263 Randall Dr. Madisonville, KY 42431 (270) 821-8537	Call for meeting schedule.
Owensboro Area Autism Support System	Donna Lanham Owensboro Area Autism Support System 88 Gilmore St. Owensboro, KY 42301	Donna Lanham (270) 686-8517 djl423@yahoo.com		3rd Thursday of the month 6:30–8:30 PM
Bardstown Autism Support Group	Charla DeWitt Bardstown Autism Support Group 1012 Cliffwood Dr. Bardstown, KY 40004	Charla DeWitt (502) 349-0214 ChaDew7275@aol.com		3rd Tuesday of the month 7 – 9 PM Pediatric Language Associates 215 W. Beall St. Bardstown, KY 40004 (502) 350-0871
Franklin County Autism and Related Disorders Support Group	Belinda Henson Franklin County Autism and Related Disorders Support Group 300 Bondurant Dr. Frankfort, KY 40601	Belinda Henson (502) 875-8440 Day bhenson@franklin.k12.ky.us	Theresa Smalley (502) 875-4460 Evening TheresaJ.Smalley@mail.state.ky.us	3rd Tuesday of the month during school year 7:00 – 8:00 PM EST Bondurant Middle School Library 300 Bondurant Drive Frankfort, KY 40601
Bowling Green Autism / Asperger's Support Group		Karen Thomas (270) 781-2118 karen@accessky.net		2nd Sunday of the month 2:00 PM CST Barnes & Noble Booksellers 1680 Campbell Ln. #106 Bowling Green, KY 40104
Ashland Area Autism Support Group	Ashland Area Autism Support Group Stephannie Hearberlin 1003 Gilley St. Flatwoods, KY 41139	Stephannie Hearberlin (606) 836-8492 smdmkdhea@yahoo.com		2nd Thursday of the month 630 –8:30 EST Pediatric Rehabilitation Center Greenup, KY
Autism Spectrum Disorder Network (Northern Kentucky Area, Boone, Kenton, and Campbell Counties)	ASDN (Autism Spectrum Disorders Network-Nky) P.O. Box 17871 Covington, Ky 41017 asdn-ky@juno.com	Paula Childs 859-356-6400		1st Thursday of the month 7:00 – 9:00 PM EST Immanuel United Methodist Church 2551 Dixie Highway Lakeside Park, KY Childcare is available but need to call 3 days prior to meeting
Parent Resources in Special Education	Scott County Address: 100 Barbara Blvd. Georgetown, KY 40324	Tracey Hagan 502-867-9903 or 502-867-3228 THagan30@wmconnect.com		3rd Thursday of each month at Scott County Public Library