



ABOUT US

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Facts About LD

- 1 in 5 Children have learning disabilities and attention issues (over 10 million kids)*
- 80% of parents, teachers and the general public still confuse Learning Disabilities (LD) with below average intelligence **
- 18.1% of students with LD drop out of high school*
- 21% of students with LD go on to a 4-year college— half the rate of other students*
- 66% of parents are conflicted and struggle deeply to cope with their children's LD*

* NCLD-State of LD 2017,**2010 Tremaine Foundation Perception Study

Facts About SKLD

- Over 446,000 website users per year
- 10,700+ opt-in Newsletter Subscribers
- 23,400+ Facebook followers
- 2,200+ Twitter followers

Local Chapters

Local groups produce programs and run parent support meetings in Fairfield County, CT and Westchester County, NY

Our History

To have a smart child who cannot learn in school: This is the paradox facing parents of children with learning disabilities (LD) and ADHD (attention deficit disorder). It took Jane Ross, a longtime publishing professional, more than 3½ years to figure out what was wrong and how to get the right help for her son with learning disabilities. After enlisting the commitment and support of LD experts and parents who had gone through the same anguished search for answers, she launched **Smart Kids with Learning Disabilities (SKLD)**, a nonprofit organization based in Norwalk, CT to provide parents with the information and support they need to help their children succeed.

Today, through an award-winning website and blog, and outreach programs by experts that are run by parent volunteers, we inspire parents to see their children's unique strengths and talents, while giving them the information and confidence to advocate for their children's educational needs.

Youth Achievement Awards

Since 2004 we've been celebrating the accomplishments and talents of young people with LD and ADHD from around the country and abroad with the **Fred J. Epstein Youth Achievement Awards**.

