

# Families for Inclusive Education



The [Families for Inclusive Education \(FFIE\) Project](#) helps families develop a clear vision for their child's school years, learn about inclusive education policies and supports, and develop advocacy skills and peer support networks.

In its sixth year, this is an initiative of Community Resource Unit Ltd (CRU). For more than 35 years CRU has worked to promote positive change so that people with disabilities can belong to and participate in community life.

## THIS PROJECT:

- helps families develop communication and advocacy skills so they can work effectively with their child's school,
- builds families' confidence and support networks so they can sustain their efforts as valued partners in their child's education,
- provides information and resourcing to service providers including local schools.

## WHAT DOES THE PROJECT OFFER:

Full-day, face-to-face Workshops: "Inclusion and belonging at the local school: The parent advocacy tool-kit" This workshop features new and updated content and will be provided across South-East Qld and regional areas throughout 2025.

Participants will learn about:

- Knowing your child's gifts and setting a vision for inclusion success
- Embracing your role as an advocate
- What authentic inclusion in the regular class looks like
- Education laws, policies and supports
- Speaking positively and confidently to work collaboratively with the school
- Advocacy tips to stay strong and effective

Book at [cru.org.au/events](http://cru.org.au/events) or call (07) 3844 2211

Online Workshops: Free online short workshops are also provided regularly. Example topics include: transitions, curriculum inclusion, advocacy skills and friendships.

Information & Consultations: Information and individual consultations to families and others who support the education of students with disability.

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Resources: Extensive online inclusive education resource webpages including pre-recorded webinars and workshops. [cru.org.au/our-work/inclusive-education/resources/](http://cru.org.au/our-work/inclusive-education/resources/)

Peer Networks: Fostering of peer support networks.

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**PLEASE NOTE:**



- All workshops are delivered by CRU facilitators passionate about inclusive education and experienced in advocating for inclusion.
- Assistance to families to attend workshops: Where interested families live outside these locations, there is a small amount of travel/support funding available. (These workshops are for parents/guardians of students with disability currently enrolled in a Queensland state school). Eligible families can apply through CRU to access this support.
- **FFIE workshops for families are free to attend**



## TERM 2 WORKSHOPS FOR 2025

### Face to Face



**Inclusion & Belonging at the Local School**  
The parent advocacy tool-kit

 Rockhampton Leagues Club, Rockhampton

 Thursday 1st May 2025

 9.15am - 2.30pm




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For more information and to register  
**[CLICK HERE](#)**



**Inclusion & Belonging at the Local School**  
The parent advocacy tool-kit

 Highfields Cultural Centre, Toowoomba

 Wednesday 14th May 2025

 9.15am - 2.30pm



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During Term 2 we will also be providing our face to face  
**‘Inclusion and Belonging at the Local School’ workshop in the following locations:**  
Sunshine Coast 29<sup>th</sup> May - [click here](#) to register  
Gold Coast 11<sup>th</sup> June – Registrations open soon [here](#)  
Cairns 19<sup>th</sup> June – Registrations open soon [here](#)

You can stay informed about our upcoming events via CRU’s [website](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) page or you can sign up to our [mailing list](#) or visit [cru.org.au/events](http://cru.org.au/events) for all upcoming events.