

## 2026 FAMILY TRAINING CALENDAR

TRAINING DATE/TIME	TRAINING TOPIC	TRAINING PROCTOR	TRAINING LOCATION
March 25th (Wednesday) 4:00- 5:30 PM Drop In Event for Families & Educators  Target Audience: Parents Educators	THE CONNECTION BETWEEN SCHOOLS & MAXABILITIES SERVICES: How MaxAbilities can work with schools and families to support students into adulthood	Michelle Shaffer CEO-MaxAbilities  Jennifer Baker: Director of Support Services-MaxAbilities	MaxAbilities Offices 7900 Park Place Rd. York, SC <b>Drop In Event</b>
June 20 <sup>th</sup> (Saturday) 10:00 AM-1:00 PM  Target Audience: Parents Case Managers Educators	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT OPTIONS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SC ABLE ACCOUNTS (information distribution)</li> <li>• SPECIAL NEEDS TRUSTS</li> <li>• FINAL EXPENSES INSURANCE</li> </ul>	A Special Needs Plan <i>Margaret Gaffney/ Hampton Hodge</i>  Special Considerations <i>Allison Sanders</i>  Palmetto Able Savings Program- <i>Karen Crider</i>	MaxAbilities Offices 7900 Park Place Rd. York, SC <b>Pre-registration required</b>
September 12 <sup>th</sup> (Saturday) 10:00 AM-12:00 N  Target Audience: Parents of children receiving EI services	TRANSITION FROM EARLY INTERVENTION- WHAT TO EXPECT: A review of what to expect once EI services end. How parents can manage the shift in service delivery.	Cindy Tomlinson: Family Connections SC  Michelle Shaffer CEO-MaxAbilities  Jennifer Baker: Director of Support Services-MaxAbilities	MaxAbilities Offices 7900 Park Place Rd. York, SC <b>Pre-registration required</b>
November 7 <sup>th</sup> (Saturday) 3:00 PM -6:00 PM  Target Audience: Parents Case Managers Educators	RESIDENTIAL SERVICES: What is a Residential Program Like? – TOUR	Michelle Shaffer CEO- MaxAbilities  Sharon McKnight: VP- Operations-MaxAbilities  LeEtta Hart: Director of Residential Services-MaxAbilities	MaxAbilities Offices 7900 Park Place Rd. York, SC <b>Pre-registration required</b>

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## 2026 FAMILY EVENTS CALENDAR

EVENT DATE/TIME	EVENT DESCRIPTION	EVENT CONTACT PERSON	EVENT LOCATION
<b>ADVOCACY GROUP:</b> <b>PEOPLE OF INDEPENDENCE</b> March 26, 2026 10:00 AM-11:00 AM	Adult (18 and over) self-governed social club focused on self-advocacy topics and activities. Support staff member will be available for needed assistance <i>Sponsored by MaxAbilities</i>	Questions: Contact Tonya English 803-818-6759	Rock Hill Miracle Park Outdoor Picnic Area
<b>ENCOURAGING STEPS</b> <b>EASTER EGG HUNT</b> April 1, 2026 4:00 PM- 5:00 PM	Easter Egg Hunt for kids participating in Encouraging Steps program.	Encouraging Steps Coordinator Amanda Brooks 803-818-6733	Location: TBA
<b>BOUNCE OUT THE STIGMA</b> <b>YOUTH BASKETBALL CAMP</b> June 15 2026- June 18, 2026 9:30 AM- 1:00 PM	BOUNCE OUT THE STIGMA will be providing a basketball camp for youth in our service area ages 8-21 years old. Winthrop Men's Basketball will provide instruction as part of the week's event. <i>Funded by York Co. Disabilities Foundation</i>	BOTS Coordinator: Mike Simmel: <a href="http://www.bounceoutthestigma.org">www.bounceoutthestigma.org</a>  Local Contact: Tonya English 803-818- 6759	Location: Winthrop Coliseum, Rock Hill, SC <b>Pre-registration required</b>
<b>ADVOCACY GROUP:</b> <b>PEOPLE OF INDEPENDENCE</b> June 26, 2026 10:00 AM-11:00 AM	Adult (18 and over) self-governed social club focused on self-advocacy topics and activities. Support staff member will be available for needed assistance <i>Sponsored by MaxAbilities</i>	Questions: Contact Tonya English 803-818-6759	Miracle Park Outdoor Picnic Area
<b>ADVOCACY GROUP:</b> <b>PEOPLE OF INDEPENDENCE</b> September 24, 2026 10:00 AM-11:00 AM	Adult (18 and over) self-governed social club focused on self-advocacy topics and activities. Support staff member will be available for needed assistance <i>Sponsored by MaxAbilities</i>	Questions: Contact Tonya English 803-818-6759	Miracle Park Outdoor Picnic Area
<b>FUNDRAISING EVENT</b> October 8, 2026: 6:00 PM- 9:00 PM	<b>SAVOR THE FLAVORS OF YORK COUNTY</b> A tour of some of York County's best restaurant fare with a silent auction and a live band. Sponsorships and individual tickets available. Must purchase a ticket to attend. <i>All proceeds support the mission of MaxAbilities of York County</i>	York County Disabilities Foundation <a href="http://www.MaxAbilities.org">www.MaxAbilities.org</a>  Facebook: <i>York County Disabilities Foundation</i>  Phone Contact: Tonya English- 803-818-6759	White Home, Rock Hill SC

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<b>ENCOURAGING STEPS HALLOWEEN PARTY</b> October 29th, 2026 4:00-6:00 PM	Halloween Party (trick or treating/ snacks/ games) for kids participating in Encouraging Steps program.	Encouraging Steps Coordinator Andria Brown Phone: 803-818-6733	Location: Blacks Peaches, York SC
<b>BLESSING BOX DELIVERY</b> December 22-23, 2026	Provided through the Case Management Department of MaxAbilities to support qualified families. <i>.Funded by York Co. Disabilities Foundation</i>	Questions: Contact your assigned MaxAbilities Case Manager	

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