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“Children Diagnosed With Cancer: Returning to School” > This American Cancer Society publication covers how cancer may affect a child’s performance in school, what to do if your child is having learning difficulties, and education plans developed by parents and teachers geared specifically to each child. Go to www.cancer.org and type “returning to school” in the search box. Or call **800-227-2345**.

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CureSearch > At www.curesearch.org, look under “For Parents/Families” to find the “End of Treatment” link, where a section on school issues provides detail on education services and how to interact with and inform the school. Or call **800-458-800-458-6223**.

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“The Next Step: Crossing the Bridge to Survivorship” > This online survivorship manual, published by Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center, is available online at lombardi.georgetown.edu/survivorship. A team of oncologists, nurses, social workers, and art therapists created the manual to provide information related to long-term follow-up and survivorship. The section on education provides an overview of the cognitive effects of cancer treatment. Or call Lombardi’s CancerLine at **202-444-4000**.

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St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital > St. Jude is one of several children’s hospitals across the country that provides a school program as part of its health care services to sick children. The program includes both home-bound and hospital-bound educational services and provides school re-entry services. To learn more, go to www.stjude.org and type “school program” into the search box. Or call **866-278-5833**, extension 3346.

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The Trish Greene Back to School Program for Children with Cancer > The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society designed the program to increase communication among health care professionals, parents, patients, and school personnel to assure youngsters a smooth transition from active treatment back to school. Additional printed literature, videos, and other materials to aid the process are available at www.leukemia-lymphoma.org/all_page?item_id=39884.

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“Welcome Back: Facilitating the Return to School for Children with Cancer” > This program for school nurses and other school personnel discusses possible emotional, physical, and cognitive late effects of cancer treatment in children and offers numerous resources that can assist childhood cancer survivors to flourish in the school environment post-treatment. To learn more, go to www.leukemia-lymphoma.org/all_page.adp?item_id=484150.

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Learning and Living with Cancer > The booklet guides parents in advocating for your child's needs. The booklet is available online at www.leukemia-lymphoma.org/attachments/National/br_1139926622.pdf.

For more childhood cancer resources, visit www.curetoday.com/toolbox.