Monday, August 29th
George Fischer
Middle School



## **Agenda**

- 1- Call to Order
- 2-Welcome
- 3- Introductions & Representatives
- 4- Back to School
- 5- Advocacy Putnam Independent Living services
- 5- Questionaire
- 6- Events & Fundraising
- 7- What's next???
- 8- Questions

# Special Education Acronyms Cheat Sheet

**ÅBA** - Applied Behavioral Analysis

ABC - Antecedent, Behavior, Consequence

ADA - Americans with Disabilities Act

ADD - Attention Deficit Disorder

ADHD - Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

APE - Adaptive Physical Education

**ASD** - Autism Spectrum Disorders

ASL - American Sign Language

**AT -** Assistive Technology

AUT - Autism

BTP - Behavioral Intervention Plan

BD - Behavioral Disorder

**BPST** - Basic Phonics Skills Test

CAA - California Alternate Assessment

CAASPP - California Assessment of Student

Performance and Progress

**CAPA -** California Alternate Performance Assessment

**CCSS** - Common Core State Standards

CMA - California Modified Assessment

CST - California Standards Test

DB - Deaf-Blind

**DIBELS -** Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills

DIS - Designated Instruction Services

ECE - Early Childhood Education

ED - Emotional Disturbance

**EI** - Early Intervention

ELL - English Language Learner

EMD - Established Medical Disability

ESD - Extended School Day

ESL - English as a Second Language

ESSA - Every Student Succeeds Act

ESY - Extended School Year

FAPE - Free and Appropriate Public Education

FBA - Functional Behavioral Assessment

FERPA - Family Educational Rights and Privacy

Act

**GE** - General Education

GT - Gifted and Talented

HI - Hearing Impaired

HH - Hard of Hearing

HQT - Highly Qualified Teacher

ID - Intellectual Disabilities

**IDEA** - Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

TEP - Individualized Education Program

THP - Individualized Health Plan

LD - Learning Disability

LEA - Local Education Agency

LRE - Least Restrictive Environment

MD - Multiple Disabilities

NCLB - No Child Left Behind

OHI - Other Health Impairment

**OI** - Orthopedic Impairment

**OT -** Occupational Therapy

PBS - Positive Behavioral Supports

PD - Physical Disability

PII - Personally Identifiable Information

PT - Physical Therapy

**RSP-** Resource Specialist Program

RTI - Response to Intervention

SAS - Supplementary Aids and Services

**SDC** - Special Day Class

**SETS** - Special Education Information System

SELPA - Special Education Local Plan Area

**SLD** - Specific Learning Disability

**SLT** - Speech/Language Impairment

**SLP** - Speech/Language Pathologist

**SST** - Student Study Team

TBI - Traumatic Brain Injury

**TOMS** - Test Operations Management System

**VI** - Visual Impairment

# ash us ANTHING

If we do not know the answer, we will find out for you!

Email:

What are some areas that you would like our district to improve upon to better accommodate our special education population?



# Based on your experience with the Special education department, please indicate your level of satisfaction in the following areas

1 - Very Satisfied 2 - Satisfied 3 - Unsatisfied 4 - Very Unsatisfied

> Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) or Inclusion

Initial Referral, Evaluation Process

Transportation

Continuum of Special Education Programs K-12

Agree/Strongly Disagree/Strongl Neutral Agree y Disagree	5		, o	
Question	I know who to contact at school if I have a concern about my child's special education program or 504 plan	I am aware of my rights as a parent of a student with a disability.	My child is being adequately prepared for the transition to the next level of education (for example: preschool to elementary school; elementary school to middle school; middle school to high school to adult living)	Overall, I am satisfied with my child's special education program/504 plan.

# I have a child in

\_\_preschool
\_\_elementary
\_\_middle school
\_\_high school

My child receives (check all that apply)

\_\_speech \_occupational
\_\_physical therapy
\_\_Resource room
\_\_self-contained \_counseling
\_\_behaviorist \_\_none listed



To start your child's year off, send your child's teacher/s a little note about your child. Although they have most likely read their IEP/504 plan, it doesn't ever hurt to give more info and gives you piece of mind from the beginning. From day 1 you will know they are aware that your child has one, and will take further action if needed to obtain it.

# For my little one who is in a self-contained classroom, I send a note or email just stating a few safety concerns in the beginning as I know they are aware that she has an IEP in place.

ex: Hello! My name is Julianna and I am excited to be in your class! Sometimes I get a little too excited and I tend to run when no one is holding my hand. I am super good at numbers, cutting and cleaning up. I can climb to the highest heights so i might need to watched at all times I guess. I love hugs and snuggles and getting my way but I am working hard on accepting the word no. This year, my IEP has so many fun things for me to work on, and with your help, and I guess moms too, I know I can reach them all!

### FOR OLDER CHILDREN or those not in a self-contained class.

Send your child's teachers an email about accommodations and modifications. Last-minute schedule changes mean it's possible some of her teachers might not have read her IEP or might not even have a copy of it. That's why it's good to reach out to her teachers as early as possible in the school year.

ex: Dear Mrs. Smith,

Good morning! My name is Marie Camacho and my daughter, Julianna, is looking forward to being in your class this year. I just wanted to make you aware that she has an IEP(504) plan in place with the district. The school and district has this on file and available for you to read. Julianna has certain accomodations/modifications that I would like you to be aware of at the beginning.

If there is ever anything you need from me, please reach out. Looking forward to working with you this year to achieve Julianna's goals.

### A simple note can go a long way!