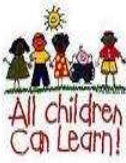


"A candle loses none of its light by lighting another candle."



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Special Education



Inclusion Education

Inclusion education is the act of including students in the general education class and school setting, no matter what their strengths or weaknesses are in any area. IDEA was amended in 2004 and states that inclusion is not a requirement. The law does state that any child with a disability must be educated in the most appropriate and less restrictive environment that meets their needs. There are many reasons that inclusion education for special needs children is important. For one, all kids have the right to with one another. Research has shown that most kids do much better, both in the academic and social sense when they are with their peers.

learn Inclusion classes can work wonders for students who have special needs provided that teachers and parents make efficient use of all the resources available for them. Take part in developing the IEP for the child.

The IEP should lay out in detail the strengths and weaknesses of the student in question. Once a plan is laid out in writing, it can help erase any doubt as to why the student should be given an inclusion education.



Special Education is important for children who have disabilities, whether mild or severe. With patience and understanding, the child with special needs can develop at the same pace as their schoolmates, all the while developing their self-esteem and self-worth.

Special Education Rights in Michigan

Discipline: Michigan rules for suspension and discipline are different for special education students who break rules. The school and parents may be required by law to have meetings and a hearing to decide if the student's disability caused the discipline problem. Special Education Students have the right to remain in the classroom until the meetings and hearings are held. In extreme cases, the hearing results in the student being removed from the general education classroom and receiving education in a special classroom, or removed to another educational setting.

Conferences in April 2011

- 4/1 - 4/29 online "The Leader In You" contact Danielle@gomem.org or 517-327-2589 April 13 & April 27
- Live Audio Conference "Strategies to Reduce Bullying & Social Aggression"

Visit the website to register
info@specialeducationinsyitute.net





Special Education - What You Should Know...

All children are entitled to the full benefits of a public education. This belief is supported by State and Federal Laws. (e.g., the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, known as IDEA 2004). These laws recognize that every individual is unique and different, and that, while everyone can learn, the style and the rate at which each individual learns varies from one person to another. Michigan Law, under Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1976, requires that special education supports be available to all eligible children, from birth to age 26 or until graduation. Just as people are different, so too are disabilities. They vary from one person to another. A disability may be perceived as mild to severe. Each disability, however, has one thing in common: whether physical, mental, emotional, sensory, or a developmental delay, these disabilities can impede learning. Special Education is specially designed instruction to help students with special needs reach their maximum potential.



Colleges and Universities in Michigan for LD Students:

The transition to college and the stresses of college-level work can be difficult for any student. Students with learning disabilities may face additional challenges during this exciting yet often frightening time of change.

Many colleges and universities in the state of Michigan have special programs in place to assist students with learning disabilities, to highlight the student's strengths and ensure that their college careers are successful.



Wayne State University
Detroit, Michigan

Calvin College
Grand Rapids, Michigan

North Central Michigan College
Petoskey, Michigan

Albion College
Albion, Michigan

Central Michigan University
Mt. Pleasant, Michigan

University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Oakland Community College
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Thoughts for the Month

We grow a little every time we do not take advantage of somebody's weakness.

"Dreams are not the ones which come when you sleep, but they are the ones which will not let you sleep."

Vision is the art of seeing things invisible." --

