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This series of workshops is presented by Student Advocacy's professional staff. Each presenter brings her experience providing educational advocacy services to hundreds of children in addition to her knowledge of education law and school procedures.

Each Workshop: \$25.00
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Understanding & Addressing Your Child's Reading Difficulties

A Workshop for Parents

Presenter: Edith Rosenbaum, Esq.

Date & Time: Thursday, Sept. 24, 2009 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Location: Southern Westchester BOCES, Elmsford

Reading is critical for success in school. In this workshop, learn about the process of learning to read, red flags for reading problems, and steps to take when reading difficulties arise. Information on the new Response to Intervention approach to reading problems will be presented. This workshop will also explain when you should explore a possible related disability and clearly walk you through the process of requesting special education services.

School Discipline

A Workshop for Parents and Professionals

Presenters: Carole Boccumini, Esq., Jean Lucasey, Esq.

Date & Time: Thursday, Oct. 1, 2009 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Location: Southern Westchester BOCES, Elmsford

School discipline has evolved to address issues like discipline related to computer activities, behavior off-campus, and behavior of special education students. In this workshop, learn ways to avoid discipline problems and learn how to deal with disciplinary problems if they occur. Topics include detentions, removal from class, suspension from transportation, in-school suspension, short-term suspensions, long-term suspensions and suspension of special education students.

Understanding Your Child's IEP

A Workshop for Parents

Presenter: Maria Suchy-Kozak

Date & Time: Thursday, Oct. 15, 2009 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Location: Student Advocacy, 3 West Main St., Elmsford

For a child receiving special education services, the Individualized Education Plan or IEP is a roadmap of the goals for your child and of the services being provided. In this interactive workshop, learn how to understand and use your child's IEP. You should bring our child's IEP to the workshop. This workshop is limited to 10 parents.

Challenges in Obtaining School Services for Children with Emotional Disabilities

A Workshop for Parents and Professionals

Presenter: Maryan Johnson, Esq.

Date & Time: Thursday, Oct. 29, 2009 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Location: South Westchester BOCES, Elmsford

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) recognizes students with emotional disabilities as one group who may need special education services. But, obtaining appropriate services can be complex, particularly since the criteria for accessing special education are not identical to those used in the mental health system. In this workshop, learn through case studies what the law requires (or doesn't require) of schools for students with emotional disabilities.

Advocating for Effective Transition Services

A Workshop for Parents

Presenter: Harriet Schleifer, Esq.

Date & Time: Thursday, November 12, 2009 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Location: Student Advocacy, 3 West Main St., Elmsford

By the time a student who receives special education services reaches age 15, his or her Individualized Education Plan (IEP) should include a transition plan. This is a plan to help your child prepare for leaving high school. The plan can include instruction, related services, vocational education, college planning, planning for other types of education and planning for adult living. In this workshop, learn about the transition planning process so that you can advocate for a strong and effective transition plan for your child.



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