### **Services**

A2IDEAS offers special education advocacy services for students from PreK to Grade 12.

Our Education Advocates will work to understand your concerns and priorities so that we can provide you with advice tailored to meet your individualized needs.

Non-legal services may include:

- Document Review
- Research & Strategic Planning
- Consultation
- Communication & Correspondence with school and/or other providers
- Direct Advocacy (in-person)

#### **Ethics in Practice**

Education Advocates with A2IDEAS follow The Council of Parent Advocates and Attorneys (COPAA) Voluntary Code of Ethics for Special Education Advocates.

Please visit www.A2IDEAS.org for more information.



# MISSION

To support individuals with disabilities and their families through advocacy, ensuring greater access to inclusion opportunities in education and fostering development of self-determination.

We strive for universal supports that value equity, dignity, and independence for all people.

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# Knowledge & Experience for Advocacy in:

- State of Michigan grades K-12 curriculum standards;
- Assessments and measures;
- Evaluations and IEP goals;
- Special Education eligibility designations and related research-based methodologies;
- IDEA, Section 504, ADA, ESSA, and FERPA;
- Area resources including schools, educationbased providers, community-based providers, and other professionals.

### **Sliding Scale Fees**

A2IDEAS offers fee-based service on a sliding scale\* which ranges from \$10-\$50 an hour.

Initial consultation to determine needs and services (for up to 30 minutes) is without charge.

\*Income eligibility follows State of Michigan thresholds for Free and Reduced School Meals as well as Federal Poverty Guidelines.

More information at www.A2IDEAS.org.

"What the best and wisest parent wants for his child, that must we want for all the children of the community.

Anything less is unlovely, and left unchecked, destroys our democracy."

– John Dewey, Educational Philosopher and Progressive Reformer (1859-1952)

## Support

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