



Educational Support for Foster and Relative Providers

Our Goal: To equip caregivers with the tools, knowledge, and support needed to ensure each child in foster care's educational needs are identified, understood, and effectively met within their school environment.

Key Services Provided

- ◆ IEP & 504 Plan Consultations:
 - Help understanding the difference between IEPs and 504 Plans
 - Guidance through the evaluation process
 - Review of existing education plans to ensure they meet the youth's needs
 - Support during school meetings, including how to prepare and what to advocate for
- ◆ Education Rights & Responsibilities Q&A
 - Clear explanation of student and caregiver rights under IDEA and Section 504
 - What schools are required to provide and when
 - How to ensure timely and appropriate support for academic or behavioral concerns
- ◆ Advocacy Support
 - Strategies to communicate effectively with school personnel
 - Suggestions to improve classroom success (e.g., behavior plans, tutoring, accommodations)
 - Guidance for responding to suspensions, expulsions, or chronic absences

Examples of When to Reach Out

- ✓ A youth is struggling with reading, math, or staying focused
- ✓ You're unsure whether the youth qualifies for special education services
- ✓ You need help understanding a school document or plan
- ✓ The youth is exhibiting behavioral challenges at school
- ✓ You need help preparing for a school meeting or IEP team meeting

Contact Us for Support: Contact your licensing worker or case manager or email us directly at nwlicensingreferrals@kvc.org to request services.