



## Advocating For Your Child As They Return to School Webinar Resources

### Terminology

IEP – Individualized Education Program

IDEA – Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

MARSE – Michigan Administrative Rules for Special Education

FAPE – Free Appropriate Public Education

CLP – Contingency Learning Plan

CDC – Centers for Disease Control

### Topics

#### **Key Facts to Know Regarding Special Education During the Pandemic**

- Guidance for Compliance with IDEA and MARSE during Pandemic: [https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/MDE-OSE\\_GuidanceIDEA-MARSE\\_Covid-19\\_685879\\_7.pdf](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/MDE-OSE_GuidanceIDEA-MARSE_Covid-19_685879_7.pdf)
- FAPE and Covid-19 Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S7OCjk6XVsc>
- Guidance to Address Return to Learn: [https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/ReturntoSchool\\_699307\\_7.pdf](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/ReturntoSchool_699307_7.pdf)

#### **Understanding Your Options and Considerations for Decision-Making**

- CLPs: <https://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/contingency-learning-plan/>
- Return to School Considerations Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dqZrQ0x0F0o>

#### **Advocating for Appropriate Supports and Services for Your Child to Transition**

##### **Back to School This Fall**

- Parent Advocacy: <https://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/advocacy/>
- IEP Topics: <https://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/iep/>
- Communicating By Student Snapshot: <https://www.pacer.org/parent/php/php-c160.pdf>
- Foregone Learning: <https://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/covid-foregone-recovery/>
- Documentation & Letter Writing: <https://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/sample-letters/>
- Skills for Effective Parent Advocacy: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ygYff72RrEc&feature=youtu.be>

#### **How to Help Your Child Learn Self-Advocacy Skills & How to Address Self-Advocacy in the IEP**

- Self-Advocacy: <https://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/self-advocacy/>
- Self-Determination: <https://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/self-determination/>