

LEArn and LEAd

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Julie Weatherly of Resolutions in Special Education (RISE), Inc. have developed LEArn and LEAd -- a one-day (in-person or virtual) training program designed for those who serve as IEP team “LEA representatives,” including local school building administrators. This program is based upon the combined experiences of a special education legal expert and an educational leader. It was developed to train LEA representatives on their important legal and professional job duties as a “process leader” in IEP meetings.

Objectives

This interactive, information-packed training day provides LEA representatives with suggested aids and strategies, as well as a video demonstration of their use in an IEP meeting. These strategies are designed to assist LEA reps to more effectively:

- Fulfill their roles and responsibilities as the IEP meeting’s “process leader” in support of the team’s “content leaders” and other members;
- Ensure that all IEP team members, including parents, are provided the opportunity for meaningful participation and input;
- Use visual aids, checklists, and other strategies to help prepare for and guide the IEP meeting process, keeping it on track and ensuring that it remains properly focused on the student;
- Use communication and conflict prevention and management strategies to respond to difficult behaviors and conversations that may occur during meetings;
- Assist IEP teams in reaching consensus in decision-making and closure when consensus cannot be reached;
- Ensure that an overall organized, efficient, and legally compliant IEP team meeting occurs.

Student Impact

It is the LEArn and LEAd goal that participants will walk away with immediate strategies they can use to improve their IEP meetings and their knowledge and skills to support collaboration between parents and school staff.

Target Audience

Special education and general education administrators, LEA representatives

Continuing Education

6.5 Continuing Education Hours

Register

Registration is open through 10:59 p.m. on Feb. 8.



Presenter:
Julie J. Weatherly, Esq

Julie J. Weatherly is the founder of RISE, Inc. in Mobile, Alabama. She has been working with school agencies in the area of special education since 1986. RISE is a full-service legal and consulting business designed to assist educational agencies in the avoidance and resolution of special education legal disputes arising under the Individuals with Disabilities Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and other applicable laws. Ms. Weatherly is a graduate of Presbyterian College and the University of Georgia School of Law. She is a member of the State Bars of Alabama and Georgia and provides consultative and/or legal services to school agencies primarily in Alabama, Florida, and Georgia, as well as on a national basis.