



## KNOWLEDGE & PASSION

101 Advocacy offers a wealth of knowledge and expertise. All of our advocates are trained Special Education professionals, each holding a Master's degree and relevant certifications. All of our advocates have worked for school districts in a variety of capacities to serve special education students and their families. All of our advocates are parents. This combination of experiences brings a unique service to families.

## PURPOSE

101 Advocacy was created out of a need I experienced. During a move, I hit road block after road block trying to obtain educational services for my child with special needs. It wasn't until the school understood that I was aware of the law, my rights, and the services to which my child was entitled, that I was taken seriously and the roadblocks began to disappear. I realized that if navigating the system was this hard for someone with my own special education background, how hard it must be for parents without that background. Out of this series of events came my desire to help families obtain the services and supports their children need to succeed in school.

**-Sylvia Farber**

## SERVICES:

- ▶ Providing special education support for students ages 3 through 21.
- ▶ Helping families navigate through the special education and 504 process.
- ▶ Educating families on special education/504 laws, their rights, and implications of school district recommendations.
- ▶ Collaborating with parents and schools to get effective educational programs and services.
- ▶ Assisting at Admission, Review, Dismissal (ARD) and 504 meetings.
- ▶ Reviewing the IEP to ensure it is written measurably, specifically, and designed to meet individual student needs.
- ▶ Providing workshops to parent groups on their rights and IEP goal writing.

## WHY SHOULD I HIRE 101 ADVOCACY?

101 Advocacy can help you obtain the educational services your child needs. All of our advocates have worked for school districts, and have the specific skills and knowledge base needed to help you navigate the system with the best interests of your child in mind. All of our advocates have a wealth of understanding concerning IDEA and other laws/regulations regarding special education. Our advocates are passionate about ensuring that students with disabilities get the services they need. 101 Advocacy can help to reduce the anxiety and pressures parents feel when attending special education meetings alone.

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## WHY SHOULD I CHOOSE TO HIRE AN ADVOCATE?

Many parents are happy with their child's programming, but use an advocate to support them through the special education and/or 504 process. Other parents use an advocate because they are frustrated with current programs, placement, and/or lack of appropriate services for their child. Also, parents of a child with a disability may not understand their rights or know how to navigate the special education/504 process. An advocate can help in all these situations.

## WHAT AREA DO YOU SERVE?

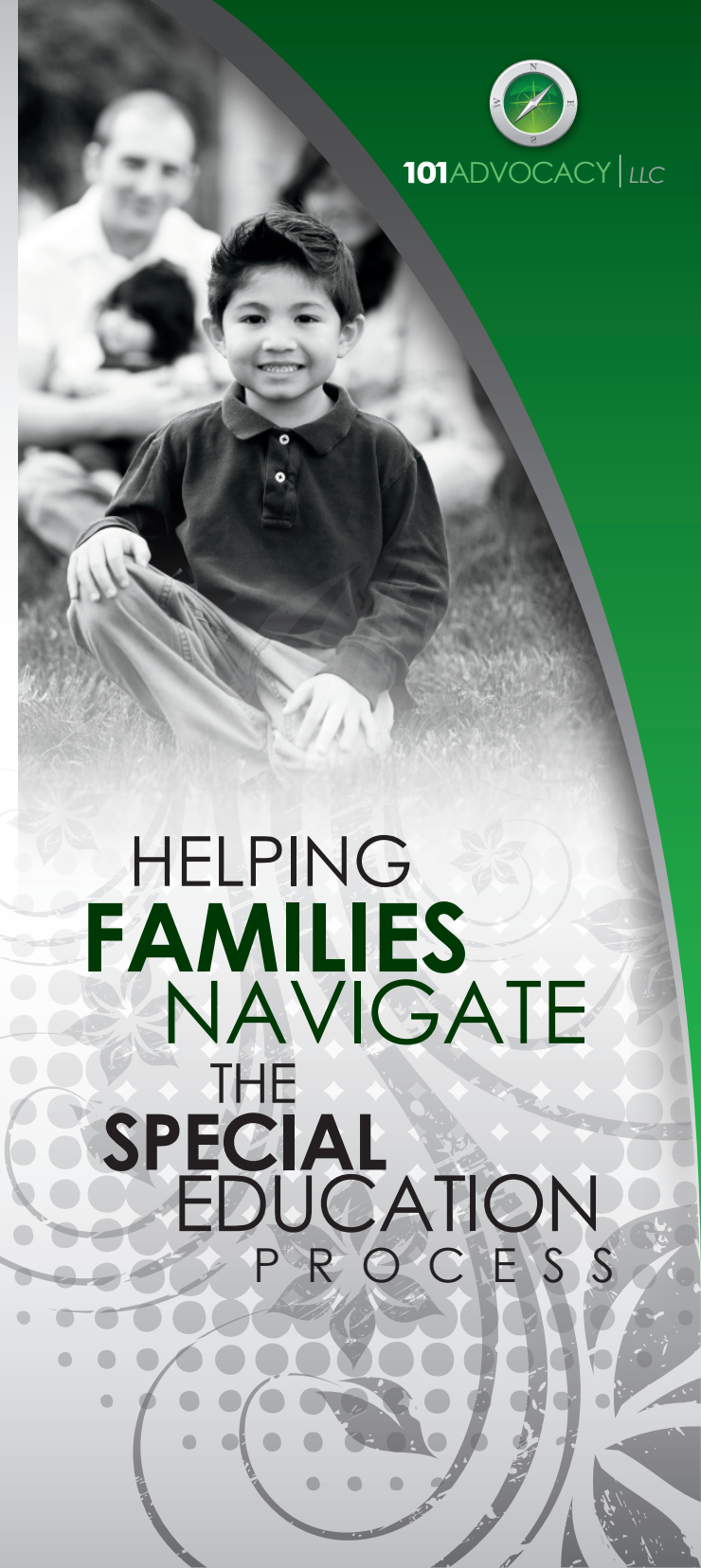
101 Advocacy can assist parents throughout the state of Texas. Generally, 101 Advocacy attends ARDs/504s in the greater San Antonio area. However, phone conferencing is available when 101 Advocacy's physical presence is not feasible.

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