Educational Liaison

What is an Educational Liaison?

Adoption Network Cleveland’s Educational Liaison provides support for adoptive, foster and kinship (the care of children by relatives) families whose children are experiencing any challenges at school. Recognizing that the families we serve often deal with school-related issues, the liaison educates families, teachers and school administrators about the issues that your child may face in school and provide everyone involved with strategies for success.

How can an Educational Liaison help?

The specific services offered within the program include, but are not limited to:

- Preparation for and attendance at a child’s IEP meeting
- Education on special education policies and procedures
- Connection to appropriate educational information services and resources
- Assistance in working with school professionals, administrators, teachers and mental health providers
- Presentations to school professionals, administrators and teachers about embracing family diversity

Testimonies from adoptive parents who have utilized the Educational Liaison Program:

“[I] feel you are a great advocate for my needs and a great support.”

“My ‘go-to’ for back-up.”

“They provide me with the support that is needed for my child’s special needs and education.”

“I feel well informed … I know where to go to find out the answers (to my questions).”

There is no fee for families to consult with our Educational Liaison, but we encourage all families that use our services to become members of Adoption Network Cleveland. No one will be turned away for an inability to pay.

For more information

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