

**Student-Driven IEP  
A 10-Step Guide**

**What I Need to Do to Drive My IEP Meeting in 10 Easy Steps**

**1. Begin By Greeting Everyone and Stating Purpose of the Meeting.**

"Welcome to my meeting. Today we are going to plan my program for the next year."

**2. Introduce Yourself and Others.**

"My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am a student at \_\_\_\_\_."  
"I'd like to introduce \_\_\_\_\_."

OR

"Please introduce yourselves."

**3. Identify Your After-Graduation Goals.**

"When I finish high school, I want to

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"Any questions or comments?"

**4. Review How You Have Been Doing in School.**

"Things that have worked well for me this year are

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"Things that have not worked very well for me are

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**5. Request Input From Others in the Meeting.**

"Does anyone want to comment on how my school program has been going?"

NOTE TO STUDENT: Ask questions if you don't understand something that is said.

**6. Identify Your Goals for This Year.**

"This year in school I want to

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"Any comments or questions?"

**7. Identify the Supports You Need to be Successful**

"For me to be successful in school this year, I need

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"Any comments or questions?"

**8. Summarize Your Goals.**

"In summary, my future plans are to

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"For me to make progress toward these goals, I will do these things this year:

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## **9. Review Support Needs and Finalize Program**

"The things that need to be in my program to help me succeed are

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"Does anyone have anything they want to say about my program?"

NOTE TO STUDENT: Discuss differences and agree on the final program.

## **10. Conclude Meeting**

"Thank you all for coming to my meeting."

"This year I am going to work hard to accomplish my goals."

"I appreciate your help."