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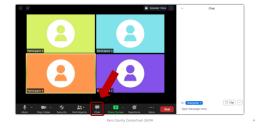
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Navigating Through the Virtual IEP Process

Community Advisory Committee



Agenda

- Technology Tips
- Participating in a Virtual IEP Meeting
 - Before the Meeting
 - During the Meeting
 - After the Meeting

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Technology Tips







Virtual IEP Meetings: Technology Tips for All Participants

	\overline{X}	Be patient—technology may not work as intended. Assume that everyone is doing their best.
	ᅜ	Test out technology in advance, and make sure all devices are charged.
	•→•	Have a back-up plan ready in the event technology issues arise.
	0	Join the meeting about 10–15 minutes in advance to troubleshoot any technology issues.
	9	Actively listen and participate in the meeting.
	鲒	Set up a meeting space that reduces potential distractions to minimize background noise as much as possible.
	0	Ensure the security of confidential information before, during, and after the meeting.
	口	Turn off any notifications on your computer—they may show up on others' screens.
	2	Use headphones or a headset with built-in microphone, when possible.

Participating in a Virtual IEP Meeting

Before the Meeting

Student Privacy

- Ensure student privacy will be maintained
- Review with team members how privacy of information is maintained
- Secure a location where others will not overhear the meeting
- Have a plan to share documents in a secure manner

Technology

- Concerns or barriers
- Confirm attendance
- Learn about members access needs (Ex. video call or phone call)
- Ask about additional participants and sharing meeting information
- Platforms and requirements
 - Allow for appropriate participation of all team members
 - Conduct practice sessions if needed
 - Tip sheet or video recording of how to use the platform
 Brief tutorial of platform

 - features

Norms

- Meeting agenda and norms should be shared
- Disagreements
 - It is ok to disagree! Have a plan for disagreements, should they come up
 - Provide additional information, invite a team member, etc.
- Back up plan

Agenda

- Have a back up plan in case of any technology glitches
 This may include a number to call or text in case something comes up
- Distractions
 - All team members should do their best to minimize distractions

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Supports

- Supports needed
 - Parents should indicate if supports are needed to access the meeting/materials
 - Interpreters
 - Paperwork emailed or mailed
 - Drafts provided before the meeting



Participating in a Virtual IEP Meeting: Before the Meeting

Student privacy

Technology concerns or barriers

Technology platform and requirements

Agenda and norms

Back-up plan?

Remove distractions

Request interpreters or other supports

Develop a plan to address disagreements

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Participating in a Virtual IEP Meeting

During the Meeting

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Student Privacy

- Continue to maintain student privacy throughout the meeting:
 - Ensure that you are in a location where others will not overhear the meeting
 - Share documents in a secure manner



During the Meeting



- Introductions
 - Allow all team members to introduce themselves and their role with the student
 - Have cameras on, if possible
- · Listen Closely
 - Pause often
 - Allow time for feedback
 - Allow appropriate wait time when interpreting information

During the Meeting

- Discussion
 - Display documents if possible
 - Refer to page numbers
 Rephrase and repeat as
 - Rephrase and repeat as necessary



- Signatures
- Discuss and agree on how signatures will be obtained
- Confirm method of delivering of completed forms
- Decide on anticipated arrival time

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Participating in a Virtual IEP Meeting: During the Meeting



Participating in a Virtual IEP Meeting

After the Meeting

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After the Meeting

- Follow-up
 - Follow-up phone call
 - Additional questions or concerns
 - Debrief on the meeting
 State any additional needs

- Finalized materials
- Confirm with team how finalized materials will be received
- If necessary, request translation of materials
- Ask for anticipated arrival date

After the Meeting

- Implementation
- Ensure that IEP is being implemented after the meeting has been finalized
 - Communicate with teachers and staff
 - Communicate with student
- Documentation
 - Periodic reports and student progress reports should be provided
 - Outlined in IEF



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Participating in a Virtual IEP Meeting: After the Meeting

Follow student privacy guidelines

Conduct a follow-up call with parents

Deliver finalized IEP to all members

Implement the IEP as written Provide periodic progress reports

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Remember...

Parents are an equal and valued member of the IEP team!

- Parent Rights still apply to virtual IEP meetings
- Feel free to:
 - Ask questions
 - Take your time
 - Ask for additional information
 - Disagree



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Resources for Parents

Resources

- https://studentprivacy.ed.gov/audience/parents-and-students
- https://www.parentcenterhub.org/wpcontent/uploads/repo_items/sample-agenda.pdf
- https://www.parentcenterhub.org/wpcontent/uploads/repo_items/sp-sample-agenda.pdf
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