

Parent-to-Parent Mentorship

We are very excited to be launching what we believe to be an innovative approach to supporting parents - a Mentorship Program for Parents with Children Who Learn Differently. Our goal is to give a parent of a child who learns differently hope by connecting them with other parents, those who have walked this path before; someone who can share collective wisdom, listen with compassion and help shift the mindset associated with having a learning difference.

Who is a 'Parent in Need of Support'?

A parent who:

- Is looking for guidance
- Fears that his and her child will fail
- Is willing to do whatever needs to be done
- Feels frustrated and isolated
- Is afraid of what it would cost
- Wants his and her child to find their passion in life

Who is a 'Parent Mentor'?

Someone who:

- Experienced successes with a child who learns differently
- Wants to give back
- Is willing to share his and her stories
- Listens with compassion
- Believes all children with learning differences can achieve their dreams and goals
- Understands the importance of self-compassion

Objectives:

1. To connect a parent in need of support with another person to help alleviate the isolation and break the silence.
2. To feel heard by someone who has already gone through the experience.
3. To share stories, laughter and tears to restore hope.
4. To offer guidance through resources, experiences and collective wisdom.

Details:

A *Parent in Need of Support* is identified by special ed teachers, psychologists, tutors or physicians. The parent is given our card and/or contact information. We will assess their situation and then match them with a mentor.

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