# **Registration Information:**

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### Fees Before 12/31/09:

\$ 75	individual
\$125	couple (one set of books)
\$ 85	Educator (CEU's are included
	for educator's)

## Fees After 12/31/09:

\$100 individual
\$150 couple (one set of books)
\$110 Educator (CEU's are included for educator's)

## Fee Includes:

Conference Resource Fair Two Wrightslaw books Boxed Lunch

### Please make checks out to: Autism Society of West Shore

Mail to: 100 Pine Street, Suite 170 Zeeland, MI 49464

### Register online using your credit card at <u>www.asws.org</u>

## **Questions?**

Contact Jennifer Hendrick by telephone 616-395-3222 or by e-mail: asws\_contact@yahoo.com

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# Wrightslaw Conference & Resource Fair with Wayne Steedman, Esq.

# Saturday, March 27, 2010

Grand Valley State University Robert C. Pew Campus Eberhard Center 301 W Fulton Street Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Registration: 8:00am - 9:00am

Conference: 9:00am - 4:30pm



**AUTISM SOCIETY** Improving the Lives of All Affected by Autism West Shore Michigan

## Agenda

8:00-9:00	Registration
9:00-10:30	Introductions
	IDEA History and Overview
	Section 1400 Findings, Purpose
	Section 1401 Definitions: Special
	Education, Related Services, LD, etc.
10:30-10:45	Break
	Section 1412 Extended School Year, Child
10:45-12:00	Find, Least Restrictive Environment/
	Mainstreaming/Inclusion, Private
	Placements, Statewide Assessments
	Understanding Tests and Measurements,
	and the Bell Curve, Standard Scores, Scale
	Scores, % ranks, Grade Equivalent, Age
	Equivalent
12:00-1:00	Lunch
	Section 1414 Evaluations and IEPs
	Section 1415 Prior Written Notice,
	Procedural Safeguards Notice, Mediation,
	Due Process Hearing, Appeal, Discipline,
	Age of Majority
	Section 504, ADA, FERPA
	NCLB No Child Left Behind
	Litigation: Special Ed Caselaw
	S.M.A.R.T. IEPs
	Special Ed Advocacy for the Parent,
	Advocate, and Parent's Attorney
1:00-2:30	Legal, systemic and "school culture"
	obstacles to compliance with IDEA-04
	The Parent as the Special Ed Manager and
	Expert
	Developing the Master Plan
	Knowing the Rules of the Game
	Recognizing and Avoiding the Fatal
	Obstacles
	How to Deal with Conflict, a Healthy and
	Normal event
	Crisis, Emergency, Help
	Organization of the Child's File
2:30-2:45	Break
	Tactics and Strategies
2:45-4:00	Rule of Adverse Assumptions
	Private Evaluations
	Paper Trails
	The Letter to the Stranger
	5 Ws + H + E
	Preparation for Meetings
	Meeting Strategies
4:00-4:30	Questions and Answers

### Accommodations

Days Inn (Holiday Inn as of 12/09) 310 Pearl Street NW Grand Rapids, MI 49504 616-235-7611 Free parking and walking distance for venue.

### Directions

From Detroit/Lansing: take I-96 West to I-196 West (Gerald R. Ford Freeway) to the Ottawa Street exit #77. Follow Ottawa Street and continue to Fulton Street. Turn right at Fulton Street, Continue for one block, passing beyond the US-131 overpass to our campus. Detroit is approximately 158 miles from the Robert C. Pew Grand Rapids Campus and Lansing is approximately 67 miles from here.

**From Kalamazoo:** take US-131 North to the Pearl Street Exit, #85B. Turn left onto Pearl Street and proceed one block beyond the US-131 overpass to our campus. Kalamazoo is approximately 50 miles from our Grand Rapids Campus.

**From Northern Michigan:** take US-131 south to the Pearl Street exit, #85B. Turn right on Pearl Street for one block to the Robert C. Pew Grand Rapids Campus. Traverse City is approximately 139 miles from the Grand Rapids Campus.

### Airport

Gerald R. Ford Airport (GRR) (approx. 30 min. to the Eberhard Center)

### Credits

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Credits available from the University of Missouri-Kansas City Division of Continuing Education.

Provides both graduate credit for practicing teachers and CEU's for a variety of professionals who need to document their professional development hours.

Registration fee's reflect the surcharge for the CEU credits.

### **Educational Materials:**

Wrightslaw: Special Education Law, 2nd Edition

Wrightslaw: From Emotions to Advocacy, 2nd Edition

#### **Cancellation Policies:**

Attendee cancellations must be made in writing and postmarked by March 15, 2010. Cancellations before March 15 will be assessed a \$25 processing fee. We will not make any refunds to cancellations after March 15, 2010. Refunds will be processed within 4 weeks after the conference.

For conference cancellation due to weather or unforeseen circumstances, please go to our website.