## CCR-IEP Family Engagement 5-Step Table



Step	What happens in this step:	What families need to know and what IEP teams need to discuss:	Encourage the family to share:	Example Discussion Prompts:
1	Share academic and functional strengths related to school functioning     Share interests, aspirations and preferences     Identify current levels of academic and functional performance in relation to standards and expectations (multiple sources)     Describe in terms everyone understands; share examples	<ul> <li>Grade level standards and functional expectations (skills)</li> <li>Explanations of IEP terminology (e.g., functional skills)</li> <li>Understand where their child is performing (at, above, or below grade level)</li> </ul>	Student strengths, interests, etc. related to school functioning (academic/functional)     How they function at home and in the community     New information related to achievement and functional skills     Family/cultural information to help understand student     Concerns, fears, and questions	<ul> <li>When is your child most happy?</li> <li>What types of books, literature, and movies does your child enjoy that could support literacy?</li> <li>How does your child feel right after school?</li> <li>How are things going at home? How is homework going?</li> <li>Is there anything you would like us to know about your family's culture?</li> </ul>
2	Effects (observations) of the disability are considered     IEP team asks "why" about the effects (root cause analysis)     Root cause analysis leads to a summary of disability-related needs     Discuss Special Factors	<ul> <li>The data shared in Step 1 is the starting point for Step 2</li> <li>The definitions of terms used</li> <li>How the effects of disability and root cause analysis determine the disability-related needs.</li> <li>That their contribution is valued</li> </ul>	How student's disability affects learning, peer and adult relations, independence in the home and the community     Observations that support or are different than those shared by school staff     If they agree with the disability-related needs that were determined	<ul> <li>What are you seeing at home that helps us understand your child's needs?</li> <li>What concern(s) do you have about your child's academics, relationships with friends, emotional needs, and independence at home and in the community?</li> <li>Do you agree with the needs as discussed?</li> </ul>
3	Goals target "why" (i.e. root causes)     Goals identify student specific disability-related need(s) that improve access, engagement and progress toward standards and expectations     Goals are measurable, ambitious and achievable	Goals:  build upon or progress from year to year and reflect high expectations of all IEP team members  Identify where child is expected to be in one year  Are aligned with grade level standards and expectations  Address disability-related needs across multiple settings  Support self-determination and independent skills  How families and schools can work together to support the IEP goals  How student strengths and interests may inform the 'when and where' of the goal  Examples of what meeting a goal can look like  How goals will enable the student to be involved in the general education curriculum, be educated with non-disabled peers and participate in age-appropriate activities.	<ul> <li>The goals they believe to be most important</li> <li>2-3 skills they believe will make the most difference in the child's access, engagement, and progress</li> <li>How the family believes they can work with the school to support a child's goals at home</li> <li>Thoughts on what supports the family may need to help support the goals at home.</li> <li>Thoughts on whether a self-determination goal would assist the student in becoming more independent?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>What goals do you feel are most important to focus on right now?</li> <li>Do these goals support your hopes and dreams for your child's future?</li> <li>How do you believe you are able to help support your child's education at home?</li> <li>How can we do a better job supporting you so you can support your child?</li> <li>What do you think would help your child become more independent?</li> </ul>

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4	Services are aligned to address disability-related needs and support goal attainment to:     Enable the student to make sufficient progress towards the goals     Reduce barriers and support access, engagement, and progress in early childhood/ grade level standards-based curriculum and instruction, other activities, and environments      All disability-related needs must be addressed by services	<ul> <li>The terms supplementary aids and services, accommodations, modifications and supports</li> <li>The link between goal and service does not need to be one-on-one. A service may address multiple goals</li> <li>Options for where and how services could be delivered</li> <li>Any Universal Design for Learning strategies being used to support their child</li> <li>What Specially Designed Instruction is and what it means for the student</li> <li>How the IEP will be implemented and shared with school staff</li> </ul>	What accomodations are used at home and in the community to support child     What services, supports, and accommodations have, or have not, been effective and why.     Questions they have about proposed services and supports     Their thoughts on how the student will be included in field trips, extracurricular activities     Does the family feel welcomed and included in the school community	<ul> <li>How can we develop services and supports for your child in such a way that it supports and respects your family's time and traditions?</li> <li>What strategies do you use at home or in the community that you find effective?</li> <li>What questions or concerns do you have about the proposed services and supports?</li> <li>Do you have a clear picture about what your child's day will look like and how they will be supported at school?</li> <li>Would you like a tour of the school to see where your child's services will be delivered?</li> <li>Do you feel like your child is included in all aspects of the school?</li> </ul>
5	Ongoing progress monitoring and analysis (outside of IEP team meetings)     IEP team reviews student progress towards IEP goal attainment     IEP team analyzes what works and what could be improved to address needs/goals     Progress must be reviewed and periodically reported to parents     When student is or is not making sufficient progress, the IEP team should review and revise, as appropriate (IEP review at least annually)	<ul> <li>What is progress monitoring</li> <li>What will be measured</li> <li>How it aligns with the goals</li> <li>The methods used to monitor progress for each goal</li> <li>Real life examples and explanations of IEP progress reports</li> <li>That their input into what is working and what needs to be changed is important and valued</li> <li>How often progress will be monitored and how it will be shared with them</li> <li>If the student is not making sufficient progress, the IEP team can review and revise</li> </ul>	Ways that they view progress toward goals at home and in the community     Questions about progress reports, progress data, or about proposed IEP changes/ improvements     Which school staff they are most comfortable communicating with to review progress, ask questions and receive encouragement and support     Their preferred way to have progress communicated with them.     What the family believes their role is in monitoring progress	<ul> <li>What is the best way to update you on your child's progress?</li> <li>How often do you want to be updated?</li> <li>How would you like to be involved in helping us to monitor your child's progress?</li> <li>Are you able to access the school's management system (insert name here)?</li> </ul>