



STUDENT DISCIPLINE: UNDERSTANDING THE SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

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Special education discipline is a complex and often confusing process for school officials, often resulting in significant legal exposure if done wrong. While a school may suspend or expel students for violations of the school code of conduct, schools must also ensure that students with disabilities are not disciplined for conduct that is a manifestation of their disability. Join us as we cover the special education student discipline process from start to finish, identify common traps and pitfalls, and provide practical tips on how to navigate the process.

Attendees Learning Objectives:

- Gain a greater understanding of the special education discipline process under the IDEA and Section 504.
- Learn how to conduct a proper manifestation determination, including what should and should not be considered.
- Be able to identify options and next steps when a student's conduct is a manifestation of the student's disability.

Targeted Audience: Building Administrators, Central Office Administrators, Special Education Administrators, School Resource Officers

Date: Tuesday, April 22, 2025

Time: Registration / Continental Breakfast: 8:30 am
Presentation: 9:00 am to 12:15 pm

Location: **VisTaTech Center, Room W210BC**
Schoolcraft College
18600 Haggerty Rd, Livonia, MI 48152

Cost: \$50.00 per person, member district
\$150.00 per person, nonmember district

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About the Presenter



MICHELE R. EADDY joined Thrun Law Firm in 2001. Her practice focuses primarily on special education, student issues, Title IX, and general school law matters. Michele received her Juris Doctor from the University of Illinois College of Law at Urbana-Champaign and her undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

For over 30 years, Michele has represented public school clients in state and federal courts and before various state and federal administrative agencies, including the U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights, Michigan Department of Education, Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules, and the Michigan Department of Civil Rights. She is a frequent presenter on special education law, Section 504, Title IX, and other school law related topics. She serves as a Section 504 hearing officer and mediator. She is also an adjunct professor in the College of Education at Grand Valley State University. In 2022, she received the SEAOC Award of Excellence for her support and advocacy on behalf of schools.

Michele served two terms on the Board of Directors of the National Council of School Attorneys. She is also a member and past president of the Michigan Council of School Attorneys, member and past president of the Women Lawyers Association of Michigan Mid-Michigan Region, past officer and member of the Davis-Dunnings Bar Association, and past member of the State Bar of Michigan District E Character & Fitness Committee.

As a proud graduate of the University of Michigan living in Spartan country, Michele remains involved with her alma mater, having served as a past president of the U-M Club of Lansing and Regional Clubs Council representative to the U-M Alumni Association. She is a past chairperson and board member of the Boys & Girls Club of Lansing and was the 2001 Boys & Girls Club of Lansing's Volunteer of the Year.

Michele lives in the Lansing area with her husband. In her spare time, she enjoys visiting her daughter who lives in NYC, watching U-M sports, completing NYT puzzles, strength training, and playing tennis and pickleball.

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