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**About Me:**As a first-generation professional raised in Los Angeles and influenced by Latin and Middle Eastern cultures, my path to special education was unexpected but deeply fulfilling. With nearly 20 years of experience as a school psychologist, licensed educational psychologist, and public-school administrator, I’ve developed a unique perspective on how to effectively serve diverse students across large districts, charter, and non-public schools. My work focuses on creating and implementing IEPs, building positive relationships with families and educators, and advocating for students who need extra support.

The complexities of working within the constraints of school systems fueled my passion for helping families who may feel overwhelmed by the process. I know firsthand the challenges of navigating special education, and I make it my mission to ensure that every child gets the services they need by cutting through red tape and simplifying communication for parents and administrators alike. Rooted in empathy and understanding, I fight for what matters most- ensuring each student’s unique needs are met, while helping families feel supported every step of the way.

**How Can I Help?**As a Licensed Educational Psychologist with extensive experience as a school psychologist and special education administrator, I bring broad expertise in both general and special education. Whether you have an IEP or not, I’m here to help you navigate your unique situation.

**What is Educational and IEP Consulting?**  
As a parent, your priority is your child’s success. Learning differences can lead to worry and uncertainty about accessing the right resources. Educational and IEP consulting equips parents with the knowledge to navigate the school system, understand available assessments and interventions, and empowers you to advocate effectively for your child.

**What To Expect During The Educational and IEP Consulting Process:**

**Sample Topics I Can Help With:**

* Responding when your child’s teacher suggests extra support.
* Understanding your child’s IEP, assessment reports, goals, and support services.
* Exploring options available through an IEP.
* Empowering you to collaborate confidently in IEP meetings.
* What to do if you disagree with the IEP or feel it’s not being followed.
* Differences between a 504 Plan and an IEP.
* Navigating the sequence of meetings in the IEP process.

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