

Advocates for Educational Equity & Excellence

Fathers at the Education Table - The Forgotten Experts

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Ms. Cassandra Archie is the founder of Advocates for Educational Equity & Excellence. Ms. Archie is funded by the (ODJFS) Ohio Commission on Fatherhood to implement a pilot project that focuses on engaging fathers of children who have IEP's (Individualized Educational Plan) or a 504 Plan. The target audience is Fathers whose children attend schools in Franklin County. She will introduce the "Fathers at the Educational Table – The Forgotten Experts" Pilot Program. The purpose of the pilot program is to demonstrate the positive educational outcomes for children when fathers are engaged and participate in their children's education. The program seeks to further strengthen the two-parent, co-parental family by involving the father in their children's education. It focuses on providing twelve (12) to fifteen (15) low income, TANF-eligible fathers with outreach, educational training, and one-on-one advocacy services.