Using Generative AI to Support the IEP Process

Student Privacy

All privacy laws apply when using GenAI tools. Never enter personally identifiable information into a chatbot.

- Use pseudonyms
- Anonymize data
- Choose tools with clear privacy policies

Teacher Oversight

Teachers have a legal obligation to oversee the development of an IEP.

AI can assist with procedural and implementation requirements of the IEP, but not substantive.

All legal documents must be completed by a certified SPED teacher. (See Ender F. case, 2017)

Augment, Not Replace

- Begin with own ideas
- Ask AI to clarify, extend, summarize, or iterate
- Compare to student's IEP

Make revisions as needed based on your professional judgment

Objectives & Narratives

- Make IEP goals SMART
- Compose short-term objectives in support of IEP goals
- Convert notes into narratives

The majority of this writing should be based on your observation and expertise.

Communication & Workflow

- Draft emails
- Revise for tone and clarity
- Translate text
- Summarize meeting notes
- Suggest workflows and timelines