ESE Conflict Resolution Options

Stages of Conflict	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5
Levels of Intervention	Prevention	Disagreement	Conflict	Procedural Safeguards	Legal Review
	Regular Communication Between Parents & Educators	Parent / Teacher Conference	Consult with District or State Level Education Agency	Resolution Meeting	Hearing Review
	Parent Training	Consult with Principal	Facilitation	Formal Mediation Under IDEA	Litigation
Assistance/ Intervention Options	Joint Training with Parents & Educators	Reconvene IEP Meeting / Further Discussion	Informal Mediation	Complaints	Legislation
	Parent Participation in School Reform Activities (e.g. advisory board)	Issues in Writing		Due Process Hearing	
		Parent-to-Parent Assistance			
The Continuum	Third-Party Assistance-> -> -> -> -> -> -> -> -> -> -> -> -> -				
	Informal & Flexible -> -> -> -> -> -> -> -> -> -> -> -> ->				

PLEASE NOTE: The further along the Continuum you progress, the more people become involved in the decision-making process. For example, if you bring the Principal into a discussion with the teacher, the teacher will follow the Principal's decision; the Principal will follow the Area Superintendent's decision, and so on.

This handout is used in conjunction with the Conflict Resolutions training.