

## **Compensatory Education Quick Facts**

- What is compensatory education?
  - Compensatory education is a remedy for when special education services are not provided.
- When does my child qualify for compensatory education?
  - Your child qualifies if they are on an IEP and the services written into their IEP are not performed, or the services were not sufficient to provide adequate instruction
- How much compensatory education can I get?
  - A school is required to provide the same amount of education as is necessary to put the student in the same position had the services been performed in the first place.
  - This is not always a 1:1 correlation for services missed, but you should determine how many minutes have been missed and use that number as the basis for your negotiation
  - You can request more or less compensation depending on the effect a lack of instruction has had on your child
- How do I request compensatory education?
  - You can request to meet with your IEP team to discuss compensatory education
  - To prepare for the meeting, calculate how much compensation is due by referring to time listed on the SDI (specially designed instruction) in Section 7 of your IEP
  - You may want to have an expert present at the meeting who can vouch for additional services
- What can I do if the school won't grant me compensatory education, or doesn't agree to my requested amount of compensatory education?
  - Request free facilitation or mediation through the Office of Exceptional Children (OEC) in the Ohio Department of Education
  - $\circ$  ~ File a complaint with the OEC ~
  - $\circ$   $\;$  File for due process complaint and request a formal hearing with the OEC  $\;$