



Caregiver Liaison for Students with IEPs

The Glendale River Hills School District proudly introduces Sam Purdy as our District Family Engagement Liaison. The liaison's voluntary role is to facilitate communication between the district and families of students with special education needs. This position is formally sponsored and trained by the Wisconsin Statewide Parent Educator Initiative (WSPEI).

Sam and his family moved to Glendale in 2017, in large part due to the reputation of the district's special education program. He is a parent of four children, including one with complex medical and disability-related needs.

Sam hopes to be able to help parents better access the resources available within the district and the larger community to benefit children with an IEP and their families, and to communicate the needs of these families back to district staff members. Sam holds a PhD from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee in educational psychology, and is a licensed school psychologist working primarily with preschool- and elementary-aged children in another school district.



Sam can be reached at the following email address: familyliaison@gdrh.org

This school year, Sam will be assisting with the coordination of two caregiver events. More details will be provided in the weeks ahead.

- **January 31, 2024 at 6 pm: Special Education 101 Event**
- **March 19th, 2024 (Time TBD): Special Education Roundtable Discussion**