#### Promoting Student-Centric Learning

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How do you know the Deaf community?



# What do you think are the biggest challenges impacting Deaf Education in Michigan?





Social and cultural exclusion and stigma

Denial of opportunities for economic, social and human development



### Barriers make the cycle hard to break



Reduced participation in decision-making, and denial of civil and political rights

Infringements of economic, social and cultural rights





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### Share Your "Why"

Why are you involved in Early Hearing Detection and Intervention?

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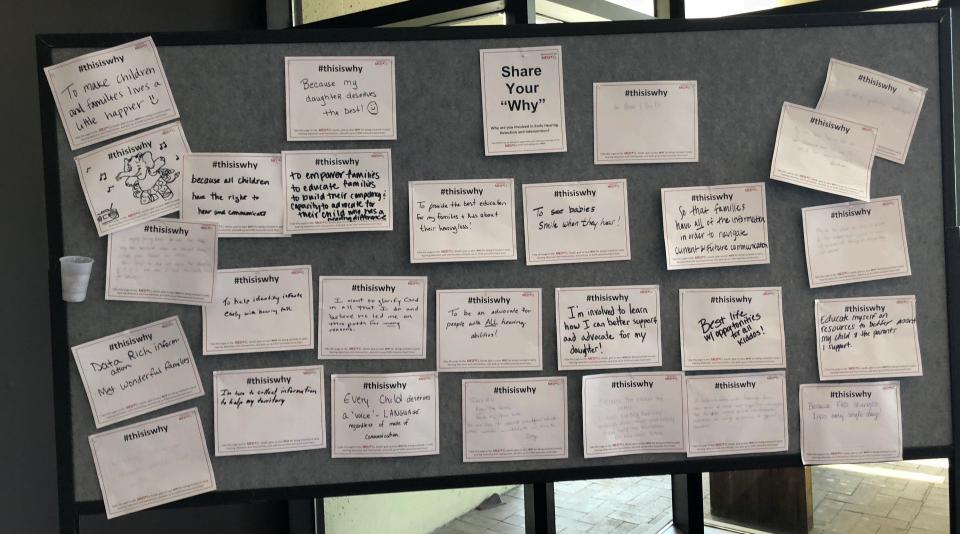
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#### "It's not about your intent. It's about your impact."

- Franchesca Ramsey





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### The Result of Preserving the Status Quo



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Where do we go from here?



Write down 5-10 words that immediately come to mind when thinking about Deaf/deaf people.



# Develop a list of 10 things you believe Deaf people think about Hearing people.



"They (deaf children) become disabled by people who are anxious to make them 'normal.' Their lack of language, not hearing, becomes their most severe handicap."

- Carla A. Halpern











# Develop a list of 5 ways to check your powers, privileges and biases.









Discuss how you have been able to successfully empower students to self-advocate.



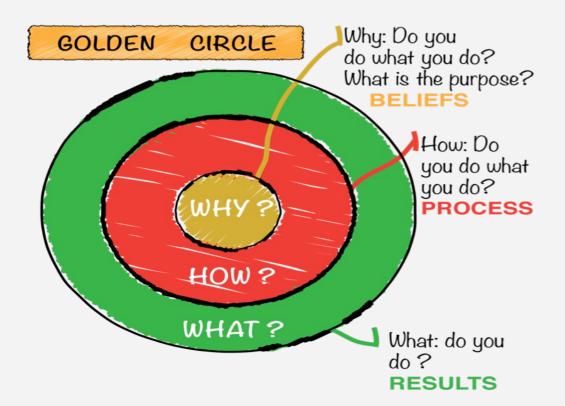
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It's not about you.

### It's about them.









My inspiration: Richard M. Axelrod, AKA "**Dad**"











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