

SAI SPEAKERS BUREAU



What is a Speakers Bureau?

A Speakers Bureau is a group of paid self-advocate presenters who raise awareness and educate the public on issues important to individuals with disabilities

Why does SAI want to start a Speakers Bureau?

- Raise public awareness about important issues
- Educate people about people with disabilities
- Educate people about Self-Advocates of Indiana and The Arc of Indiana
- Connect to communities around Indiana

Compensation

- Speakers will be paid \$40 per presentation
- Speakers will be paid \$20 per panel discussion or transition event
- Speakers will not be paid to speak to their own self-advocates chapter or agency

What are the presentations like?

- SAI will provide presentation tools including handouts, Power Points, information and messages to be shared
- The speakers will use these tools to share their stories, goals, dreams, etc.
- Presentations will educate people about issues that affect the lives of people with disabilities, including self-advocacy, employment, disability awareness, goals/dreams, and supported decision making

Who will the presentations be given to?

- Speakers will be responsible to reach out to groups in their region to arrange presentations
- Panel discussion and transition events will be arranged by The Arc of Indiana or SAI

Who can speakers reach out to in their community?

- Church groups
- Organizations and corporations
- Service organizations/civic groups such as the Kiwanis Clubs, Rotary Clubs
- Local Chamber of Commerce groups
- Local public safety groups
- Government officials and employees
- Local teachers associations, parent-teacher organizations, school groups
- Local disability and parent groups

Application/Interview process

- Applications will be available Monday, October 10, 2016
- E-mail or call Amanda to get an application or visit www.saind.org
- All applications are due by 5:00 pm Friday, November 11, 2016
 - Applications can be mailed, e-mailed, or faxed
- Interviews will be scheduled beginning November 21, 2016
- Interviews may be in person or by phone, depending on the location of the applicant
- Please Note: All applicants must be able to provide or arrange their own transportation to and from scheduled meetings and presentations.

Questions?

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