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My name is Jennifer Turley. I am a Mother of a child with Autism. His public school fought me tooth and nail. They denied his disability. He was harassed because I advocated for him. My son who loves school was coming home saying he wanted to kill himself. His public brick and mortar school denied his disability. They denied him services. They lie to parents. They harass your children.

Why isn't he state investigating why people are leaving brick and mortar schools? Why isn't the state looking at how many parents have to hire attorneys for services for their children? Why isn't the state looking at how much brick and mortar public schools are paying their attorneys to fight and settle lawsuits? Why are parents forced to sign NDAs?

My son now attends a Cyber Charter School, Commonwealth Charter Academy. He has Speech. He has OT. He has a Behavioural Specialist. He was offered a Social Group. He has an IEP with the Autism box checked. He is in Honors classes. He is also enrolled in Dual Enrollment and taking college courses. He is thriving!

Why do you want to reward the bad behaviour of brick and mortar public schools like my sons went to? Overhaul the public school system! It is broken! You want to punish kids for their schools failing them. 100% of the funding for my child should follow him wherever he goes. We want and need Cyber Charters. We will fight for them! I will not watch my son suffer or fail because people do not want to do what they are legally required to do. And the School Board, Superintendent and State does nothing about it.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Turley  
Mother and Advocate

Sent from my iPhone