Autism Advocates Program

The Autism Advocates Program at Kent State University within the Division of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion is a program that strives to provide support and empower undergraduate students with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Undergraduate students with ASD will be placed with a faculty or staff member for support throughout the academic year. This program allows the student to meet with their advocate six times a year (three times in the fall and three times in the spring) to problem solve and create strategies for academic success with the ASD student in mind. All information shared is completely confidential. Please see below for a sample of questions asked and topics discussed. The next program will start Fall 2016. All ASD undergraduate students are welcome. Please note you do not have to be registered for services with Student Accessibility Services (SAS) to participate in this program. For more information or to sign up for the program, please contact Gina Campana at gcampana@kent.edu.

Suggested conversation points & questions, Contact 1 – September

- How is everything going?
- Have you registered with SAS Services and requested letters be sent to your professors?
- Were you able to get all of your textbooks without any problems?
- Is your class schedule working for you? (Are you having any time constraints that make it difficult to get to class? Do you have/need a map?)
- Are you aware of the TRIO Student Support Services? They can help with tutoring if you are registered with SAS.
- Are you aware of the ASD webpage, Taskforce and Facebook page?
- Have you felt included and connected at Kent State as a student with ASD?
- What are some actions you could take to feel more of a sense of belonging at Kent State?
- Do you understand how the Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion can help you?
- Are you aware of Dr. Lisa Audet and the programs she offers?
- Do you have any questions, needs, or concerns?