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Taking the Lead – Advocating for Self as a Paraeducator

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Paraeducators are a crucial part of the educational team working directly with students in many capacities. They deserve the same respect, professional development and inclusion that other educators receive. It is critical that paraeducators are equipped with the skills and knowledge to effectively advocate for themselves at their worksite, in their school district and in their community.

In this webinar, participants learn how to advocate for self by recognizing and identifying the importance of embracing one’s self-worth and value as an educator. They also learn how to effectively share their story in order to engage others (i.e., colleagues, parents, and other members of the school community) in understanding and respecting the important role they play in student success. The more paraeducators champion for themselves the more effective they will be for students!

Presenters:

Saul Ramos, Massachusetts
• Paraeducator/Braillist, Worcester Public Schools
• 1st Vice President Educational Association of Worcester

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• Learning Assistance Program Paraeducator
• PESPA President
• Washington Education Association Board of Director

INTENDED AUDIENCE:
NEA affiliate leaders, staff, members and partners. All interested parties are welcome. You are encouraged to forward this invite to your partners, leaders and other team members.

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