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SKILLS

- Policy Advocacy
- Research Analysis
- Educational Equity
- Program Development
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Public Speaking

EDUCATION

MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION,
UNIVERSITY OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

LANGUAGE

- English
- Spanish
- German

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Played a key role in the passage of legislation that increased special education funding by 25%.
- Received the 'Champion of Education' award from a national advocacy organization.
- Led a successful campaign that raised public awareness of special education rights.

Michael Anderson

DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND ADVOCACY

Strategic Special Education Policy Researcher with over 9 years of experience in educational equity and policy advocacy. My career has been dedicated to fighting for the rights of students with disabilities, focusing on systemic changes that enhance educational access and quality. I possess a unique blend of hands-on teaching experience and policy analysis skills, allowing me to approach research with a practical lens.

EXPERIENCE

DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND ADVOCACY

Equity in Education Fund

2016 - Present

- Developed and advocated for policy initiatives focused on special education equity.
- Conducted comprehensive research on the impact of educational policies on marginalized groups.
- Facilitated partnerships with community organizations to promote inclusive practices.
- Presented policy proposals to state education boards, leading to funding increases.
- Managed a team of researchers in conducting policy analysis.
- Organized statewide conferences to engage stakeholders in policy discussions.

SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

Maplewood School District

2014 - 2016

- Implemented innovative teaching strategies for students with special needs.
- Collaborated with interdisciplinary teams to develop effective IEPs.
- Monitored student progress and adjusted teaching methodologies accordingly.
- Engaged families in the educational process through regular communication.
- Facilitated workshops for teachers on inclusive education practices.
- Advocated for additional resources to support special education programs.