

Privilege for Sale

Each privilege is \$100

- 1. I can feel included with a group of people without being teased, taunted or socially ostracized.
- 2. I can see people with abilities and neurology like mine on television or in other media.
- 3. People don't use my neurology as an insult ("That's so r. . .," or "Stop being such a spaz.").
- 4. People talk to me like an adult and don't keep important information from me because they are worried I can't handle it. Nobody talks to me like they would talk to a baby or young child.
- 5. I can talk about sex and receive an education about sex; my choice to have sex with someone is not something discussed in a team meeting and shared with other providers in my life.
- 6. I have the right to have children and to not have others speak to me about being sterilized because people think I'm unable to raise a child.
- 7. I don't have to worry when I have a medical or mental health problem that professionals will dismiss it as part of my neurology or due to my intellect.
- 8. When I meet with someone for the first time or meet with a professional like a health care provider, they direct questions to me instead of talking only to the people around me.
- 9. I'm allowed to make my own choices and have these respected by others; when I make a choice others don't prevent me from doing it for fear I'll be taken advantage of or hurt.
- 10. When I went to school I could have classes in the same room as my peers and be involved in school activities such as sports, drama and prom.
- 11. When I make a mistake, people see it as a mistake instead of saying that it's proof I can't make decisions on my own and need to have restrictions placed on me.
- 12. My sexual orientation and gender identity are not dismissed because of my neurology.
- 13. If I report going through abuse, I will not have this questioned as being because of my neurology or being something I'm making up.
- 14. I'm not seen as a burden on my family or tax payers for getting support.
- 15. People who have power over my education will probably not decide that, instead of receiving the academic education most of my peers receive, it would be best for me if my time in school were spent learning non-academic "skills."
- 16. People do not automatically assume that the best place for me to live is an institution.
- 17. No one sees my neurology as being in need of elimination or cure.
- 18. People do not suggest that groups that are made for the benefit of people of my neurological type be led and ruled by people of a different neurological type, because mine is seen as inherently incapable.
- 19. When prospective parents and others speak of wanting a "healthy child," I know that they mean a child like me.
- 20. I can share my opinions and make choices for my own life instead of being expected to comply with what others want me to do.