

A Search for Significance:

A national survey of colleges and universities to determine numbers of students with Autism Spectrum Disorders attending post-secondary education

The Survey

- Sent to 1500 colleges and universities nationwide using the DSSHE listserv and Survey Monkey
- Nine questions
- Primary focus: numbers of students with Autism and Aspergers currently attending post-secondary education
- Secondary focus: services provided and barriers to service provision

Preliminary Results

- 89 Schools have replied to date
- 852 students registered with Disabilities Services offices with these diagnoses at these institutions
- 40% of these Disabilities Offices report students leaving the school completely or requesting a leave of absence, with at least some of these students **this year** (more specific data required)