4 THINGS YOU CAN DO RIGHT NOW TO STOP DISABLING YOUR CHILD (OR STUDENT)

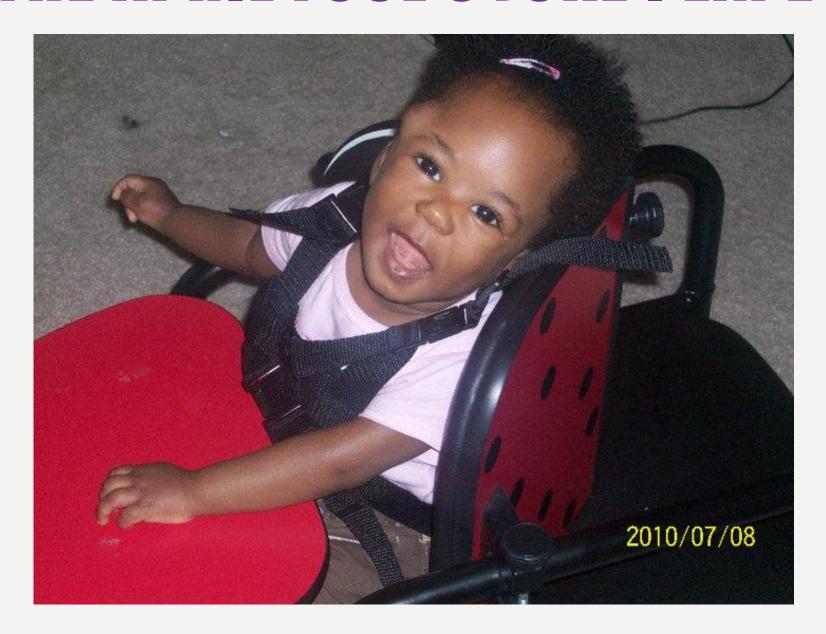
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A STAR IS BORN

EMORY YVONNE - 5LB 130Z, 19 INCHES



NOT THE APRIL FOOL'S JOKE I EXPECTED



HOW DO YOU SPELL THAT, AND WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

- BILATERAL SCHIZENCEPHALY
 - PART OF THE CEREBRAL PALSY FAMILY
 - COGNITIVE DELAY
 - APRAXIA OF SPEECH
 - LOW MUSCLETONE
 - **-LOTS OF THERAPIES**

I'M NO MATHEMATICIAN BUT....

- PHYSICAL DISABILITY ≠ COGNITIVE DISABILITY
- COGNITIVE DISABILITY ≠ INABILITY TO LEARN/UNDERSTAND



HOW WE DISABLE OUR BABIES

I:WE BELIEVE WHAT THE DOCTORS TELL US

SOLUTION

- Be a rebel with a cause
- Think outside the box
- 2:WE DON'T DO THOROUGH INVESTIGATIONS OF THEIR EMOTIONS

SOLUTION

- Understand that behavior is a form of communication
- Learn their language
- TEACH OTHERS
- 3:WE ADULT ALL OVER THEM

SOLUTION

- K.I.S.S. (Keep It Simple, Silly) Teach them how to advocate for themselves, and keep it simple
- Sometimes less is more Back off and let them problem solve
- 4:WE LET THEM "CUTE" ALL OVER US

SOLUTION

- Consequence over Cuteness
- Societal norms & expectations are real teach them
- Friendships & interpersonal relationships help them understand the dynamics of such (i.e. sharing, not hitting, etc.)

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