

DADvocacy

CONSULTING GROUP

Allan Shedlin, Founding DADvocate
4822 Bradley Blvd. | Chevy Chase, MD 20815
(o) 301.907.6742 | (m) 301.651.5344
allan@dadvocacyconsultinggroup.com | dadvocacyconsultinggroup.com

September 2, 2024

To Whom It May Concern,

The DADvocacy Consulting Group's (DCG) mission is to enable every father to become the dad he wants to be – for the good of his children and/or grandchildren, his family, his community, and himself. While acknowledging the vital roles of fathers and mothers alike, we work directly with fathers in a variety of settings and in a variety of ways. We eagerly collaborate with other organizations who share the goal of positive and vibrant father engagement.

We are delighted to recognize the efforts of The National Alliance for Father Friendly Schools in working to encourage schools and school districts in providing a welcoming and inclusive environment for fathers. We recognize that when schools intentionally welcome and engage fathers, they see improvements in behavior, attendance and student achievement. We support that.

As a former elementary school principal and the founding Executive Director of the National Elementary School Center I have long recognized and encouraged the active involvement of both fathers and mothers, as well as other family members, in their children's schooling. And so, we are also proud to encourage the support of students who do not have an easily identifiable father figure in their lives. We encourage schools to help those students participate in father engagement programs with an appropriate role model or mentor to fill that gap.

As such, we are proud to join The National Alliance for Father Friendly Schools in working with other fatherhood organizations, school districts, parent organizations and others. As Alliance members, we believe in the power and importance of family engagement in schools especially those that are specifically inclusive of fathers.

Please feel free to contact me for a reference or if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Allan

Allan Shedlin
Founding DADvocate
DADvocacy
CONSULTING GROUP

www.DADvocacyConsultingGroup.com

and
Director, *Daddyng Film Festival & Forum*