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Administrators for Special Education

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March 7, 2008

ASE Winter Conference Program

Holy Cross College, The Hogan Center, Worcester

Theme: Knowledge is Power: Lessons Learned by Effective Special Education Leaders

Registration: 7:45 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.

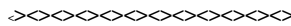
Program: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

9:00am ... Looking Ahead – “Head’s Up” ... Issues that may become our new lessons

Break Out Sessions: Lessons To Be Learned

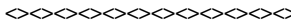
Specific Learning Disabilities: Strategies & Techniques for Decision Making

Presenter: MaryAnn Byrnes, Ed.D. Educator, Author, Consultant, Associate Professor (Graduate School of Education, UMass Boston). Dr. Byrnes is a member of the DOE committee on Specific Learning Disabilities. This session will focus on strategies & techniques in decision making to maximize school district efforts in producing the best district practice in identifying SLD, including eligibility, the process, the forms and the format.



The Facilitated IEP Process

Presenter: Richard E. Connolly, Esq, Director, The Massachusetts Bureau of Special Education Appeals
This presentation will inform the audience of the new process/procedures associated with Facilitated IEP meetings. Focus will be on what the process is/is not & the utilization of the process to encourage collaboration among school staff & parents. Additionally, discussion will highlight the types of school/parent issues that may best be addressed via Facilitated IEPs

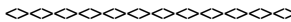


Mentoring Segment: For New and Aspiring Special Education Administrators Only Increasing District Capacity to Develop Programs for Students with Special Education Needs

Presenter: TBD

This session will focus on the development of strategies to build program capacity to meet the growing needs of special education students. The session will include the do’s & don’ts of attaining capacity & will highlight the successes & lessons learned from a practicing special education administrator.

(All break out sessions will contain an opportunity for Questions and Answers)



PLENARY SESSION

Lessons Learned: Leading School Districts Toward Effective & Successful Decisions When Faced with Challenging Student Needs

Presenter: Paige Tobin, Esq., Special Education Attorney, Murphy, Lamere & Murphy, PC, Braintree, MA
This presentation will review the elements of two recent & important Massachusetts, high profile, special education cases. It will highlight the lessons learned to better serve students & staff, including parameters in reaching successful outcomes for public school district teams.

Lunch: Business

See the attached Registration Form. Each participant must mail or fax a completed registration form prior to attending

To ensure your ability to attend, register early as space is limited

Registrations received after February 22nd may not be able to be honored

On behalf of the Executive Board, President and Executive Director, we look forward to seeing you on March 7th

Paul Stracco, President

Carla B. Jentz, Executive Director