



Massachusetts

Administrators for Special Education



An Affiliate of CASE/CEC

ASE Fall Statewide Conference Program

Friday, October 30, 2009

Best Western Royal Plaza Hotel and Trade Center
Marlborough, MA

Registration: 8:00 a.m. - 8:55 a.m.

Program 9:00 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

CONFERENCE THEME:

“SETTING SAIL: STARTING THE NEW YEAR ON COURSE”

Space is limited for this conference - Save Your Space! Register Early, Register Now! - See the Attached Form
We may not be able to honor registrations received after October 14, 2009

Featuring Nationally Recognized Keynote Speaker:

THOMAS HEHIR, Ed.D. Professor of Practice, Harvard Graduate School of Education
“Current Issues & Trends Influencing Special Education Administration & Implementation.”
Lecturer on Education, Administration, Planning, and Social Policy, Harvard University
Director of the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education Programs,
Director of Special Education, Boston Public Schools,

↻ Break Out Sessions ↻

“The Lighthouse Beams on the BSEA”

SESSION FOCUS: *Featuring updates on the administrative structure relative to BSEA, the facilitated IEP process, the SPEDEX pilot program opportunity, current Massachusetts trends in hearings/rulings.*

Presenter: Richard Connolly, Esq., Director, Bureau of Special Education Appeals (MA)

“Navigating Through Treacherous Waters”

SESSION FOCUS: *Legal updates and practical advice for 504 Eligibility and services, unilateral placements, and the IEP process.*

Presenter: Paige Tobin, Esq., Murphy, Lamere, Murphy, PC School Counsel

Plenary Session

“Keeping Your Head Above Water”

Plenary Session will discuss practical strategies for school practices regarding the development and implementation of transition plans, SED Eligibility/Educational Implications, FAPE vs. LRE, including legal highlights of current development.

Presenter: Mary Joann Reedy, Esq., Murphy, Lamere, Murphy, PC School Counsel

Plus - Post Luncheon Segment

For those interested, Break Out Sessions will be repeated after lunch.

Mentoring Segment

SESSION FOCUS: *Designed for New and Aspiring Special Education Administrators*

Presenter: Joan Landers, Superintendent of Schools, Wakefield MA Public Schools

All sessions will have a brief Question and Answer Segment

On behalf of the ASE Executive Board, we look forward to seeing you on October 30th as we set the course for a smooth sail in 2009-2010 Special Education matters.

Carol Fredette, President

Carla B. Jentz, Executive Director