"Advocating Equity for All Learners" Virtual Conference Schedule Overview Friday, October 9th, 2020

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Please see the Program for descriptions of each session.





8:30 - 9:30 am	Keynote- Staying Close While Teaching Remotely: Supporting Parents and Students with Disabilities During the COVID-19 Pandemic Natasha Strassfeld, JD, Ph.D, Assistant Professor of Special Education, NYU Steinhardt						
9:40-10:40 am	Presentation 1: Resources & Services for Resolving Special Education Disputes between Schools & Families -Samantha Pudloski, Office for Dispute Resolution	Conversation Session 1a: Yes They Can! Access to Standards-Aligned General Education Curricula for Students with Complex Instructional Needs -Amanda Helman, Jackie Chovanes	Presentation 2: Challenging Goals & High Expectations for All Learners -Jeannine H. Brinkley & Lorie Brew, PEAL Center	Conversation Session 2a: Reducing Suspension & Expulsion in Early Childhood Education Settings within Pennsylvania -Samantha Riggleman, Kaitlin Moran	Presentation 3: Keeping Up with Technology Tools that Support Access to Learning -Tammy Bertel, Pattan		
		Conversation Session 1b: Let's Talk About It! A Conversation between Professionals and Families to Define What's Needed to Create Comprehensive and Effective Life Skills Programs for Students Ages 5 to 12 Years Old. -Katie Veneziale, Kristyn DeCarlo		Conversation Session 2b: Manifestation Determination: Re-Defining Challenging Behavior as a Tool for Advancing Equity -Olivia Enders			
10:50-11:50 am	Presentation 4: Solutions to Challenges of Providing Virtual Special Education Services: Perspectives of Parent and School District Attorneys -Jane M. Williams, Esq. & Liliana Yazno-Bartle, Esq.	***Conversation Session 3a: Making Access to Orton- Gillingham Training & Tutoring Equitable -Emily Sharp, Amanda Helman Conversation Session 3b: Using Data to Support Co- Teaching Best Practices in High School: Increasing Inclusion -Mollie Anzinger, Sarah Schreiber	Presentation 5: Integrating Comprehensive Trauma Informed Practices in Teacher Preparation -Stephanie Gardner, Robin Drogan	Presentation 6: Building a Good Life: A Toolkit for Understanding and Facilitating Friendships -Jane Stadnik & Diane Perry, PEAL Center	Presentation 7: Problem Solving for Problem Behavior: An Equitable and Instructive Approach to Behavior -Nichole Corsi, Alicia Reiss		
2:00 - 00 pm	Keynote- Facing the "New Normal": How Science Can Help Educators Meet the Needs of All Learners						

Kristen Betts, Ed.D., Clinical Professor, School of Education at Drexel University

1:00-1:30 pm	Lunch & Poster Presentations in Slide Format Transportation Questionnaire for IEP Meetings, Translating PDE's Secondary Transition Guidelines for an Independent School, Becoming a Virtual Teacher: Back to Basics with Accessibility, Alternative and Augmentative Communication for Special Olympics, Developing Actionable Change: Teacher Voices about Student Mental Health Research, Enhancing Family-School Collaboration with Positive Behavioral Intervention Support (PBIS), The National Pre-Service Teacher Resource Center, Implementing Rapid Response Teams to Reduce Exclusionary Practices in Early Childhood Settings, Teaching Transition and Post-Secondary Skills						
1:30-2:30 pm	Presentation 8: Avoiding Due Process Pitfalls - Update 2020: Hearing Officers' Perspectives - Brian Jason Ford, Esq. & Cathy A. Skidmore, Esq., PA Hearing Officers	Presentation 9: Skills for Effectively Advocating for Your Child -Ana Pacheco & Jeanine Schultz, PEAL Center	Presentation 10: Let's Talk About Sex: Effective Sexuality Education for Students with Disabilities -Jacquelyn Chovanes, Anne Papalia, Thomas Gibbon	Presentation 11: Enhancing Gifted Education Programs through Partnerships with Higher Education -Michelle LaBadie, Susan Eden	Presentation 12: Web-based Tools for Teaching and Learning -Vicki McGinley		
2:40-3:40 pm	Presentation 13: Understanding the IEP and Reevaluation Process Part 1 -Diane Perry & Cindy Duch, PEAL Center	Presentation 14: Race, Poverty, and Trauma: The Makings of Educational Inequity in Special Education -Ilaynna Brown, Shannon Haley-Maze	Presentation 15: Using Itinerant Emotional Support to Promote Social Emotional Learning in Elementary School -Matt Schuck, Morgan Stepanchick, Theresa Kreider, Melissa Mealy, Eric Howe	Presentation 16: Paraprofessional Perceptions of Student Behavior and Evidence-Based Practices -Briana Bronstein, Nicole Breeden	Presentation 17: Knowing How to Prevent, Recognize, and Report Restraints -Keith Focht, Bureau of Special Education & Sandy Shacklady-White, Pattan		
3:50-4:50 pm	Presentation 18: Understanding the IEP and Reevaluation Process Part 2 -Diane Perry & Cindy Duch, PEAL Center	Presentation 19: Service Dogs in Schools: Legal, Access, and Programming Considerations -Anne Papalia	Presentation 20: Trauma-Informed Strategies for Supporting Students with Disabilities during Remote Learning -Collen Lelli	Presentation 21: Effective and efficient strategies to improve Para Educator delivered interventions -Miguel Ampuero	Presentation 22: Implementing School- Wide Positive Behavior Support in an Alternative Setting -Maura Roberts, Greg Llewellyn, Ki Brosovich, Nathaniel Arrington		
	Student PACEC meeting (3:50 – 4:50)						
5:00- 6:00 pm	PACEC Membership Meeting All are welcome to attend!						