The Council for Exceptional Children Recognizes University of Kansas Professor with Special Education Lifetime Achievement Award

Arlington, Va., Jan. 24, 2022 — Kathleen Lynne Lane, Ph.D., BCBA-D, CF-L1 Roy A. Roberts Distinguished Professor in the Department of Special Education and Associate Vice Chancellor for Research at the University of Kansas and, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC). The award recognizes an individual who has made continued and sustained contributions to the education of children and youth with exceptionalities.

Over her 25-year career, Dr. Lane developed a prevention model to increase educational systems’ capacities to meet the academic, behavioral, and social and emotional well-being needs of students with and at risk for emotional and behavioral disorders through an integrated approach, the Comprehensive, Integrated Three-tiered (Ci3T) model of prevention. Dr. Lane directly supported more than 140 schools to develop, implement, monitor, and sustain Ci3T and published a manualized professional learning approach with materials available free-access—illustrating her lifelong commitment to bridging research and practice gaps and making high-quality professional learning resources accessible to all.

Dr. Lane is an international expert of systematic behavior screening, generously sharing expertise in numerous presentations, practice-focused articles, monthly coaching calls, and open-access training resources. A prolific researcher, mentor, collaborator, and scholar, she has published 11 books, 42 chapters, 200 articles, and 58 web-based resources and acquired more than $17 million in research funding. In addition, her record shows 20 years of continuous grant funding for preparing leadership personnel in special education.

Dr. Lane has served in a variety of leadership roles with CEC as well as on national committees, workgroups, and panels for the improvement of special education.

“Dr. Lane was inspired by evidence that students with emotional and behavioral disorders have traditionally been underserved, leading to negative consequences such as academic underachievement, school dropout, underemployment, and incarceration. She brought her experiences as a special and general educator as a strong foundation for her academic career. Dr. Lane is a ‘superstar’ deserving to be in company of other ‘giants’ in our field. She exemplifies outstanding and sustained scholarship in special education.”

Dr. Lane was recognized in January at the CEC Convention & Expo and 100th Anniversary Celebration in Orlando, Florida.

[LINK TO AWARDS VIDEO: https://youtu.be/fsY8kCxiUuw]
The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) is the professional association of educators dedicated to advancing the educational success of children and youth with exceptionalities through advocacy, standards, and professional development. Learn more about CEC at exceptionalchildren.org.

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