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HELP YOUR MEMBERS SUCCEED WITH CEC'S PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, RESOURCES, AND STANDARDS AND ACCREDITATION

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Areas of Oversight

- Online PD Programs
- Webinars
- Contract Training Programs
- Conventions
- Fall PD Fair
- Standards and Accreditation
- Repository/Professional Resources

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PD Agenda

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- Know what is available to all CEC members
- Doing the leg work for your members
- Creative ways to repurpose content so your members see the value of their membership
 - Targeted content curation
 - Targeted marketing & communications
 - Consistent recruitment for member involvement/engagement



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Let's review the PD that CEC has to offer your members!



Come hang out with us online!



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Convention

- Share important registration dates with members
- Filter highly relevant content for your members (or at least the quantity!)
- Schedule meet-ups through the mobile event app
- Start a discussion thread during the convention

San Antonio

Difference between in-person/virtual

- PAC: each division gets to choose some content - highlight that content for your division
 - PAC will make decisions in August
- Why convention is a good opportunity for your members
 - Idea sharing between states
 - Great addition to state and Division conferences



CEC Learning Library

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Filter content by relevance to your members

Highlight timely PD options for members in newsletters

Get ondemand information and CEUs





On-Demand Programs

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Webinars -FREE for CEC members!

- Individual Webinars
- Collections
 - We can assist with collection curation
- □ HLPs for Paraeducators (FREE)

Everything Else – Special member pricing

- Supporting Paraeducators Series
- JumpStart for New/Early Career Special Educators (starting soon)
- Educator Shortage Webinar Series (FREE)
- Coming Soon



Collaboration Opportunities

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- Partner with CEC to offer a FREE webinar for your members
 - You identify the content & presenter (what do your members need right now?)
 - CEC does the rest!
 - Offer free registration to your members as a member recruitment or retention effort
 - Your members could get it for free, but we charge everyone else (convert these folks to members)



Paraeducator Resources

- Paraeducator Competencies
- New Paraeducator Assessment Toolkit
- New member category for paras
- PD and resources
- How to work with a paraeducator
- Support for paraeducators



Resource Repository





Curating Resources for Members | ETRR

- Filter content from resource repository by relevance to members
- Share or highlight resources applicable to members and celebrate contributors from your Division or Unit
- Encourage submissions from your members to increase resources and elevate awareness of your members

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Targeted Member Benefits

Highlight & communicate targeted resources to your members

Curate relevant content for them

Celebrate your members' contributions

Encourage engagement & reinforce value

eLearning Highlight



Happy Pride Month! We're excited to partner with our <u>LGBTQ+</u> <u>Caucus</u> to provide an interactive **Pride and Power** course to support your efforts in being a culturally responsive educator.

Log in

Now in the Learning Library



Involve your students in planning their own future with tips from Self-Determination in the IEP Process and Beyond, a new webinar available free in the Learning Library. Featured Teacher Resource



Find the digital tools your students need with a comprehensive list of **Tech Tools for Students with LD**, available for free in the Exceptional Teachers Resource Repository.

Download

But Wait, There's More...

Log in

 Also in the <u>Learning Library</u>—three new Quick Takes on Language & Linguistics, all under 9 minutes! Find them under Programs > Quick Take Library.



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We asked!

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PD Needs Assessment

- Completed end of 2022/beginning of 2023
- Initial step for CEC to inform the implementation of part of the 2022 strategic plan
- Collected information from members on:
 - Current areas of challenge
 - Critical topics for PD
 - Determine preferences in the types of professional supports available



PD Needs | Teacher Feedback Trends

If you had to choose only one, which of the following areas would you say is your greatest challenge on a day-to-day basis?

Answered: 540 Skipped: 1,395



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•	Social, Emotional, & Behavioral Health (including Anxiety; Classroom Management; Functional Behavioral Assessments; Maltreatment/Bullying; Mental Health; Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports; Positive School Climate; Poverty, Homelessness, and Insecurities; Peer Support; Social Skills; Trauma)		29%	156
•	Assessment and Progress Monitoring (including Accountability Systems; Child Find/Eligibility; Data-based Individualization; IDEA)		17%	92
•	Curriculum Access (including Co-teaching; Inclusion; Specially Designed Instruction; Universal Design for Learning; Adaptive and Assistive Technology)		16%	89
•	Instructional/Interventional Practices (including instruction in specific areas such as Art, Literacy, STEM; High- Leurande Dractices: Instructional Diagning: Instructional Technology: Multi-tiered System of System Student		9%	49

Top 3 Areas of Challenge from Teachers

- Social/Emotional & Behavioral Health
- Assessment & Progress Monitoring
- Curriculum Access (SDI, UDL, coteaching, etc.)

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PD Needs | Administrator Feedback - greatest challenges for special education staff?

If you had to choose only one, which of the following areas would you say is the greatest challenge on a day-to-day basis for the special educators on your staff?

Answered: 405 Skipped: 1,530



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 Social, Emotional, & Behavioral Health (including Anxiety; Classroom Management; Functional Behavio Assessments; Mattreatment/Bullying; Mental Health; Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports; Por Climate; Poverty, Homelessness, and Insecurities; Peer Support; Social Skills; Trauma) 		172
 Curriculum Access (including Co-teaching; Inclusion; Specially Designed Instruction; Universal Design f Adaptive and Assistive Technology) 	or Learning; 15%	59
 Instructional/Interventional Practices (including instruction in specific areas such as Art, Literacy, STEI Leverage Practices; Instructional Planning; Instructional Technology; Multi-tiered System of Support; S Engagement) 		49
 Assessment and Progress Monitoring (including Accountability Systems; Child Find/Eligibility; Data-bas Individualization; IDEA) 	ed 12%	47

Top 3 areas of challenge for educators on their teams

- Social/Emotional & Behavior Health
- 2. Curriculum Access
- Instructional/Intervent ion Practices



PD Needs | Administrator Feedback - greatest areas of challenge for themselves

If you had to choose only one, which of the following areas would you say is the greatest challenge on a day-to-day basis for yourself and/or other Administrators?

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A	ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES *	
•	Educator Supports and Wellness (including Recruitment and Retention; Teacher Effectiveness)		24%	96
•	Social, Emotional, & Behavioral Health (including Anxiety; Classroom Management; Functional Behavioral Assessments; Maltreatment/Bullying; Mental Health; Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports; Positive School Climate; Poverty, Homelessness, and Insecurities; Peer Support; Social Sullis; Trauma)		23%	92
•	Legal, Ethical and Compliance Issues (including IEPs; Policy/Advocacy)		19%	75
•	Instructional/Interventional Practices (including instruction in specific areas such as Art, Literacy, STEM; High- Leverage Practices; instructional Planning; instructional Technology; Muiti-tiered System of Support; Student Engagement)		9%	38

Top 3 areas of challenge for Administrators

- Educator supports & wellness
- 2. Social/Emotional & Behavioral Health
- 3. Legal, ethical and compliance issues

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Feedback Trends | Resource Types

What type of "resources or professional development" would be most helpful to you?

Teachers:

- 1. Books/Articles/Case Studies
- 2. Online/Virtual Training/Webinars
- 3. Manuals/Guidance Materials/Templates

Administrators:

- 1. Books/Articles/Case Studies
- 2. In-person Training/Seminars
- 3. Coaching/Mentoring



²⁵ Standards & Accreditation

- CEC Standards
- HLPs
- Program Review
- Accreditation
- Resources



Professional Preparation Standards

- What are they?
 - Set the expectations for what completers of professional preparation programs should know and be able to do
 - They provide a common framework for how highquality educators are prepared
- Audiences: Preparation Programs, policy makers, credentialing agencies, administrators



Initial & Advanced Levels

- Standards are organized into two categories of initial and advanced
- Does not indicate graduate or undergraduate
- Initial programs is designed to result in a first special educator licensure/credential
- Advanced Programs are designed to result in an additional special educator licensure/credential



CEC's Standards (Initial-Level)

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Initial Practice-Based Professional Preparation Standards for Special Educators (K12)

Initial Gifted Educator Preparation Standards*

Initial Practice-Based Professional Preparation Standards for Early Interventionists/Early Childhood Special Educators (EI/ECSE)



CEC's Standards (Advanced-Level)

Advanced Gifted Educator Preparation Standards

Advanced Administrator of Special Education Professional Leadership Standards

Advanced Special Education Preparation*



High-Leverage Practices (HLPs)

- Address the most critical practices that every K12 special educator should master and be able to demonstrate
- The HLPs are used frequently in classrooms and have been show to improve student outcomes if successfully implemented
- 22 HLPs organized into four aspects of practices
 Collaboration
 - Assessment
 - Social/emotional/behavioral
 - Instruction



HLPs and the Standards

The standards drive training pre-service teachers on how to enact the HLPs

PD plan in development for faculty on HLP and Standards Standard 3: Demonstrating Subject Matter Content and Specialized Curricular Knowledge Candidates apply their understanding of the academic subject matter content of the general curriculum and specialized curricula to inform their programmatic and instructional decisions for learners with exceptionalities.

	CEC Standard Component	High Leverage Practice
	3.1 Candidates apply their understanding of	HLP 11: Identify and prioritize long- and short-
	academic subject matter content of the	term learning goals.
t	general curriculum to inform their	HLP 13: Adapt curriculum tasks and materials for
	programmatic and instructional decisions for individuals with exceptionalities.	specific learning goals.
	3.2 Candidates augment the general	HLP 12: Systematically design instruction toward a
	education curriculum to address skills and	specific learning goal
	strategies that students with disabilities	HLP 13: Adapt curriculum tasks and materials for
t	need to access the core curriculum and	specific learning goals.
n	function successfully within a variety of	HLP 14: Teach cognitive and metacognitive
n	contexts as well as the continuum of	strategies to support learning and
	placement options to assure specially	independence.
	designed instruction is developed and	HLP 15: Provide scaffolded supports.
	implemented to achieve mastery of	HLP 21: Teach students to maintain and generalize
	curricular standards and individualized	new learning across time and settings.
	goals and objectives.	



Program Review with National Recognition

- Partnership with CAEP (Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation)
 - Only programs pursuing Accreditation through CAEP are eligible
- AKA SPA Review (Specialized Professional Association)
- Not equivalent to Accreditation
- CEC issues National Recognition Decision; CAEP issues Accreditation Decision



Why CEC Created Accreditation

- CAEP was the only mechanism CEC had to evaluate programs using our Standards through national recognition
- CEC Accreditation provides an exclusive opportunity for special educator programs to seek accreditation independently from or in addition to their unit/EPP
- An avenue for CEC to influence and directly impact the preparation of special education professionals through our standards



Accreditation Overview

Fully virtual process

Reduces financial and staffing resourcesIncreases flexibility

- Cost are tiered based on program size (based on enrollment) and discounts for multiple programs from the same parent organization
- Streamlined and supportive process



Why become CEC accredited

- Relevance: CEC Standards represent consensus from the field
- Commitment: Demonstrates your program's commitment to operating a high-quality special educator preparation program
- Impact: Assures the public, the profession, and graduates of accredited programs that educators are prepared
- A Statement of Excellence: CEC upholds the national standards for special educator preparation programs while encouraging innovative practices and instructional strategies.



Resources

CEC Website HLP alignments Standards alignments Accreditation National Recognition Division Websites □ "Purple Book" HLP Faculty Guides (Coming Soon!)



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