

## CEC Announces Concetta Lewis as 2026 President-Elect

Arlington, Va. December 15, 2025 — Concetta Lewis has been elected the 2026 President-Elect of the Council for Exceptional Children. Lewis will assume the presidency on January 1, 2027, overseeing CEC's committees and Board of Directors and providing critical leadership on the organization's planning and programs.

"Students with IEPs are general education students first, and my vision is that all students would have access to what they need in their local neighborhood schools." Says Concetta.

"The majority of students with IEPs spend the majority of their school day in general education classrooms. Ensuring that ALL educators are adequately supported and trained to meet the unique learning needs of all students is important to me."

Concetta has over twenty-five years of experience in PreK-16 education, including assignments as a special education teacher, general education teacher, principal, special education administrator, and college instructor in schools located in southeastern Michigan.

Concetta is currently the Assistant Superintendent of the Office of Special Education with Ann Arbor Public Schools and a part-time Lecturer with Eastern Michigan University. She previously served as Assistant Superintendent of Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion with Rochester Community Schools. Concetta currently serves on the CASE Membership Committee, and she has served as President of Michigan CEC, President of the Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education (MAASE), and on the CEC Policy Steering Committee.

During her leadership tenure, Concetta plans to advocate for increased access to inclusive learning for students with special needs through continued advocacy, training, and collaboration with general education colleagues.





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