

# GREETINGS CASE MEMBERS!



May is queen of blossoms, and  
fulfilling flowers! *Lord Edward Thurlow*



Please Join Me In Welcoming Our New CASE  
Members:

Katherine Dustine- National CEC/CASE, Sumter County  
School Board

Michele Fasnacht- National CEC/CASE, Solid Rock  
Community School

We are so delighted that you have joined your  
professional organization!



## NATIONAL CASE RECOGNITION!

I am delighted to share with you that for the first time we received a certificate of recognition at our National CASE Board of Directors' and Annual Membership meeting held in Philadelphia for demonstrating outstanding member growth strategies resulting in extraordinary membership growth of 26.4%! CASE Units were recognized for their efforts and the recipient for the Membership Award for 2014 was Nebraska CASE. Thank you for your support and recruitment efforts; this one is for you!

We will continue to focus on strengthening our membership and ask that you continue to encourage our colleagues to join national CEC and add CASE as a subdivision. Please refer them to the website [www.cec.sped.org](http://www.cec.sped.org) where they can join CEC and become a part of CASE nationally and automatically be a part of Florida CASE. If they wish to join Florida CASE for only \$25.00, they are able to do so by logging onto [www.flocase.org](http://www.flocase.org). This is Our Organization and Our Voice! Let's make it count!

For additional information, please contact Sandy Chambers-Collins, Membership Chair at [sandra.chambers-collins@ocps.net](mailto:sandra.chambers-collins@ocps.net)



LEADING BY

CONVENING...BRINGING IT ALL TOGETHER

Leading by convening is a blueprint for authentic shared work among families, general and special educators and administrators. In 1999, US Department of Education Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) embarked a new strategy to bring General and Special Education into a learning partnership that will support students with disabilities. To make their vision of collaboration explicit, IDEA Partners worked collaboratively to create a blueprint. The blueprint serves as a guidebook for teams, a capacity building resource and much more. To learn more visit [www.ideapartnership.org](http://www.ideapartnership.org)

# CIVIL RIGHTS DATA COLLECTION: A QUICK ACCESS TO ALL DATA FOR A SINGLE SCHOOL OR DISTRICT

The purpose of the U.S. Department of Education (ED) 2009-10 Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) is to obtain data related to the nation's public school districts and elementary and secondary schools' obligation to provide equal educational opportunity. To fulfill this goal, the CRDC collects a variety of information, including student enrollment and educational programs and services data that are disaggregated by race/ethnicity, sex, limited English proficiency, and disability. This collection includes data from a representative sample of schools and districts, representing 85% of the students in our nation's schools. The CRDC is a longstanding and important aspect of the Department's Office for Civil Rights (OCR) overall strategy for administering and enforcing the civil rights statutes for which it is responsible. This information is also used by other ED offices as well as policymakers and researchers outside of ED. For additional information go to [www.ocrdata@ed.gov](http://www.ocrdata@ed.gov).



**LAST DAY FOR EARLY REGISTRATION IS MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>!**

**LAST DAY FOR TO MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATION IS  
MAY 18<sup>TH</sup> AT THE INSTITUTE RATE**

**FLORIDA CASE 2014 SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL SUMMER  
LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**

Your Board has worked diligently in planning a great conference for you!

Early Bird online registration is currently available through **May 1, 2014**, for the CASE Summer Leadership Institute.

This year's theme is "Leadership in the 21st Century: Results Driven Accountability" and will be held on June 9–11, 2014, at the Embassy Suites Deerfield Beach-Resort & Spa, 950 South Ocean Drive, in Deerfield Beach, Florida. To register, go to <http://www.flocase.org> and click on "Events and News."

**Early Onsite Registration will be held on Sunday, June 9th from 5:00-6:30 pm.**

The block of hotel rooms are available until **May 18<sup>th</sup>** at a reduced rate or until they are sold out.

**Register for the conference and make your hotel reservations today!**

Please see the attached draft agenda.

- Early Registration (by May 1)  
National Member: \$275; Florida Member: \$300; Non-Member: \$325
- After May 1  
National: \$300; Florida Member: \$325; Non-Member: \$350



The Florida CASE Board of Directors is calling for nominations for the office of President-elect, By-Laws and Legislative Chair and Professional Development Chair. Please review the details below and consider nominating yourself or a colleague for the office:

**CASE President-elect** (6-year commitment, commence on July 1, 2014; 2 year as president-elect, 2 years as president, 2 year as past-president. Responsibilities: The President-elect will serve on committees assigned by the President. Serve in the President's place and with the president's authority in the case of the President's absence and shall be responsible for all committees.

**By-laws and Legislative Chair- (2-year commitment commence on July 1, 2014).** Responsibilities: Develop and recommend timely statements of CASE legislation and regulatory concerns. Collect legislative and regulatory information to disseminate to members related to issues and concerns to special education administrators.

**Professional Development Chair-(2-year commitment commence on July 1, 2014).** Responsibilities: Promote leadership skills within the organization and encourage the utilization of members' leadership potentials and advise on conference programs and professional development activities.

**Candidate Qualifications:**All officers of the Board must be National CEC/CASE members in good standing.

**\*Email nominations to Catie McRae, CASE Treasurer  
at [mcrac@leonschools.net](mailto:mcrac@leonschools.net) no later than Friday, May 30, 2014\***

**We are looking to bring in new people with new energy and talents to serve on the Board. We asked that you please consider, we would love to have you join this energized hard working group :)**



## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

**“ALONG WITH SUCCESS COMES A REPUTATION FOR WISDOM.”** *Euripides*

*Best Regards,*

DR. ROSALIND A. HALL

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