

GOOD MORNING COLLEAGUES,

WELCOME TO OUR JUNE NEWSLETTER

**THE MONTH OF JUNE IS THE BEST AND BUSIEST
EVER!**



Graduation day is an exciting day for all involved; with great admiration to all of you that have made a difference in the lives of our students. I will be attending graduation ceremonies almost every day from now through June 7th!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR GRADUATES FROM
OUR LITTLE ONES IN PRE-SCHOOL TO OUR SENIORS; THEY
ARE OUR FUTURE AND WE ARE SO PROUD OF THEM!**



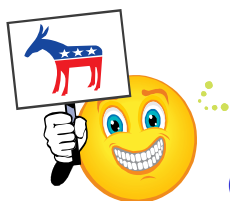
DOES ACCESS MATTER? TIME IN GENERAL EDUCATION AND ACHIEVEMENT FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

A study was conducted to examine the relationship between hours in general education and achievement in reading and math for students with disabilities. Of course as we all know that there is a direct correlation between the number of hours spent with non-disabled peers and academic success. The power of this study is that it goes one step further and clearly defines the difference between “Access to general education contexts vs “Inclusion.” The most powerful outcome that I glean from my review of the study is the importance of evaluating our district policies and practices that can either lend itself towards equity for all students, which lead to increases in achievement for students with and without disabilities and the importance of moving from a continuum of placements model to a continuum of service delivery model. Last but not least, it is equally important to examine policies and practices within our classrooms. Please take some time to review the study; I am confident that you will find it quite interesting!

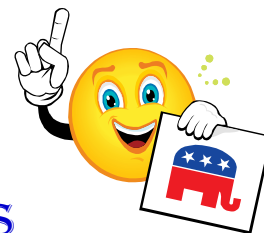
A special thank you to Monica Verra-Tirado our Bureau Chief for sharing this article with the ESE and Student Services Directors.



It's hard to believe that our CASE Summer Leadership Institute is only seven (7) days away! Your Board has worked diligently in planning a great conference for you! Please remember that we will hold early registration Sunday, June 8th from 5:00-6:30 p.m. in conjunction with a reception for our sponsors. A time to meet and greet, and a sneak preview of our fabulous sponsors' educational products; light refreshments will be served.



CASE BOARD POSITIONS



You are just the person we are looking for!

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 **no later than Friday, June 6, 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

Happiness is when what you think, what you say, and what you
do are in harmony. *Mahatma Gandhi*

Best Regards,

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