



GREETINGS CASE MEMBERS

Fall is in the air! What a beautiful time of the year. The mornings are crisp and clean. I trust you are enjoying this lovely weather.



PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING
OUR NEW CASE MEMBER:

Daisy Pua- University of Florida- National CEC/CASE

We are delighted that you have joined your professional organization.
Please visit our website at www.flocase.org for a wealth of information.

CELEBRATING DISABILITY HISTORY AND AWARENESS WEEKS!



October 1-9, 2015 has been designated as "Disability History and Awareness Weeks" by the Florida State Legislature. The law encourages school districts to provide disability history and awareness instruction to expand students' knowledge, understanding, and awareness of individuals with disabilities, the history of disability education, and the disability rights movement. Enjoy celebrating this special occasion with your administration, instructional and support staff as we are committed to providing a quality education to our students with disabilities as we prepare them to be college and career ready!



DR. LANDIS M. STETLER

EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Florida CASE established a scholarship program several years ago to award financial scholarships in the name of Dr. Landis Stetler, a pioneer and great leader in exceptional student education in the state of Florida and the nation. This award is made annually at the Florida Council of Exceptional Children (FCEC). In honor of Dr. Landis Stetler, Florida first ESE Bureau Chief, Florida CASE will recognize and award a deserving college student who is pursuing a graduate degree in the area of special education a \$3,000 educational scholarship.

We received three (3) applications that were reviewed and scored by our scholarship committee, Dr. Drew Andrews, Catie McRae and Cathy Dofka. I will present the scholarship to the recipient at the Florida CEC Conference. We are very proud of our applicants who have found their passion to be of service to our students with disabilities. They are an inspiration and a gift to the students they will serve.



MEMBERSHIP CORNER...

New this year, your FLO-CASE Board of Directors will be honoring ESE Directors/Administrators across the state that has a proven track record for leading and empowering children with disabilities and their families. There will be three categories and we are asking our membership to help us in selecting individuals from two of the three. They are as follows:

- **Rookie of the Year: 0-3 years of experience:** must be a member of CEC and in a short period time has made a significant contribution to the children, families and district staff that they serve. Does not need to be a member of CASE (yet).
- **ESE Administrator of the Year:** must have **5-20 years of experience** with a track record vision and leadership. He or she must have made and significant contribution to special education not just in their district, but with others and throughout the state. They must be a member of CEC and CASE.
- **Life Time Achievement Award:** this individual has **20+ years of experience** in the field of education. The individual has made a significant impact on children, families, their community and state in the field of special education, and is respected among their peers across the state. **The FLO-CASE Executive Board has already nominated this person.**

The individuals selected for the awards will be featured in upcoming issues of our newsletter, and will also be recognized with gifts at our Summer Institute in Bonita Springs, FL. We NEED YOUR HELP! Please see the attached forms and nominate your choice of Rookie of the Year or ESE Administrator of the Year! We know that each district has some terrific ESE leaders that are making a difference in the lives of other. We want you to help us openly acknowledge their hard work. **DEADLINE: October 15, 2015.** Please email your nomination form to Sandra.Chambers-Collins@fdlrsaction.org.

See attached nomination forms and guidelines.



We want to **congratulate** our winners of the membership drawing.

Zenada Lewis won a free membership to CEC/CASE. We will reimburse the membership fee.

Teresa Pedro Morel won an all-expense paid trip to the Florida Legislative session in Tallahassee in January, 2016.

Judy Everett won an all-expense paid trip to the summer legislative session to Washington D.C. in July, 2016.

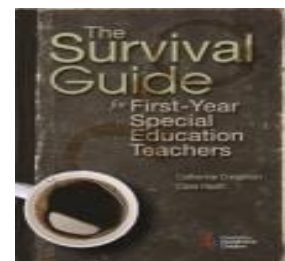
Florida CASE looks forward to being able to continue this service and opportunity to our members next year at AMM!

Congratulations to each of you!

CEC EDUCATIONAL PRODUCTS

Nurture your new teachers through every stage of their professional growth.

These two forthcoming publications from CEC will help you ensure your new teachers are ready for the classroom — and prepared for the future.



Pre-order them by Sept. 21 with the code SURVIVETHRIVE and save 15 percent!

Help them survive.

The first year is a critical time time for new teachers, so make sure they stay in the classroom with "[The Survival Guide](#)." It's chock-full of **real, practical information they need** to:

- Work with families
- Navigate the school culture with principals and other professionals
- Deliver instruction and assess students' progress
- Create positive classroom environments, and more!

Buy this **how-to handbook** for every teacher on your staff—it's spiral-bound for easy sharing!

CEC Member Price: \$22.50
Your Pre-order Price: \$19.13



Help them thrive.

CEC wrote the book on special education ... literally. Our [Red Book](#) outlines the **knowledge and skill sets** that every special educator really needs to know to best support students and fellow educators in your inclusive classrooms. It includes easy-to-read tools for understanding **standards, performing self-evaluations, and aligning standards with individual state standards**, and includes guidance on creating professional development plans that will help your team build their paths toward future career goals. Almost everything in this edition has been updated, including the **Ethical Principles and Professional Practice Standards, the Preparation Standards and the Specialty Sets.**

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Your Pre-Order Price: \$22.06

Bundle and save even more!

Get your new teachers off to a great start in the classroom AND help them stay there. Buy the [New Special Education Teacher Toolkit](#), containing both **The Survival Guide for First-Year Special Education Teachers** and **What Every Special Educator Must Know** for the low price of \$40.95 — that's over 15 percent savings.

***For more information or to view their catalog filled with an array of products, please go to the CEC website www.cec.sped.org and click on "Publications."**

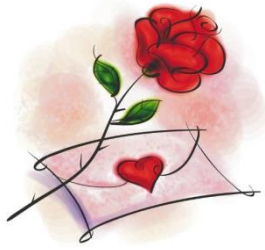


➤ **CASE, FASA, FOIL AND FASSA COLLABORATION
2ND ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

FEBRUARY 25 & 26, 2016, ORLANDO, FL.

➤ **CASE 19TH ANNUAL SUMMER LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE
JUNE 13-15, 2016- LOCATION: HYATT REGENCY
COCONUT POINT RESORT AND SPA, BONITA SPRINGS,
FL.**

➤ **ISR D SUMMER INSTITUTE—JUNE 15TH AT 12:00 NOON
AND JUNE 16TH- LOCATION: HYATT REGENCY
COCONUT POINT RESORT AND SPA, BONITA SPRINGS,
FL.**



QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“Management is doing things right; leadership is doing the right thing.” *Peter Drucker*

Best regards,

Dr. Rosalind Hall, President of Florida CASE and Board of Directors