

The State Education Resource Center (SERC), in collaboration with the CT State Department of Education (CSDE) and the CT Council of Administrators of Special Education (ConnCASE), invites you to the ...

# March Leadership Forum

## Education and the Law: Current Legal Issues Impacting Education

### A Professional Development Opportunity for Administrators in General and Special Education

This professional development opportunity is designed to provide multiple perspectives on current legal issues impacting both general and special education. Participants will receive a practical synthesis of significant legal issues and decisions regarding the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA 2004) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.

The presenters, a panel of attorneys working with local education agencies (LEAs) and families, will review the latest court decisions relevant to IDEA. They will cover Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, eligibility/accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and other legal issues relevant to the provision of special education. The session will conclude with a question-and-answer period.

#### Participants in this session will:

- demonstrate an understanding of relevant issues pertaining to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA 2004) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act in order to ensure effective learning for students with disabilities;
- delineate emerging issues facing special and general educators as a result of IDEA from the perspective of attorneys representing LEAs and families;
- use recent court decisions to identify processes for determining eligibility and services under IDEA and Section 504; and
- examine significant legal issues in general education, including the No Child Left Behind Act.

#### Date, Time, Location:

Session A:  
Wednesday, March 24, 2010

or

Session B:  
Thursday, March 25, 2010

8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
ITBD, New Britain

#### Presenters:

Members of the Connecticut Bar and  
CSDE Representatives

#### Audience:

Two hundred (200) general and special education administrators will be accepted to participate on a first-come, first-served basis.

#### CEUs: .7

Includes:  
Full Attendance  
Post-Activity Application of Learning

#### Registration Fee:

\$65.00 per person  
Payable to *Rensselaer at Hartford*

#### Questions/Special Needs:

Contact: Yolanta Garcia  
Project Assistant  
(860) 632-1485, ext. 264

#### Register By:

Monday, March 8, 2010  
Fax (860) 632-0438

You may now  
register online at  
[www.ctserc.org](http://www.ctserc.org)



Leadership Initiative

Please return application to SERC, Leadership Initiative/ConnCASE, 25 Industrial Park Road, Middletown, CT 06457-1516. Participants will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis with regional consideration. The registration fee is payable upon notice of acceptance.

APPLICATION FORM: **March Leadership Forum**

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\_\_\_ March 25, 2010 (Session A) or \_\_\_ March 26, 2010 (Session B) or \_\_\_ No Preference

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