

### California CASE

## Special Education: The National Perspective

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## CASE

Council of Administrators of Special Education

**CA CASE**Subdivision of CASE

CASE is a Division of CEC
Council for Exceptional Children



## **CASE Mission**

Provide leadership and support to members by shaping policies and practices that impact the quality of education.



U.S. Department of Education

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Office of Special Education

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State Department of Education (SEA)

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Local School District (LEA)



## Partnerships ... Why?

One Unified Voice Compliance Standards Critical Teacher Shortage **Student Outcomes Matter** Advocacy Stronger Together We Can Make A Difference



## The National Perspective



- \*COVID -19 and its Variants
  - \*Guidance from OSEP
- \*Compensatory Education
  - \*Flexibilities and Waivers
    - \*Critical Staff Shortage
- \*Additional Federal Funding

#### April 3, 2020



## Four Priorities for Special Education:

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OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

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#WeKeepLeading

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## Office of Civil Rights, Section 504 ~Most Recent Notice

U.S. Department of Education Announces Intent to Strengthen and Protect Rights for Students with Disabilities by Amending Regulations Implementing Section 504

~Listening Sessions

~Respond in Writing



## Office of Civil Rights (OCR) ~ Resolution Agreement

Office for Civil Rights Reaches Resolution Agreement with Nation's Second Largest School District, Los Angeles Unified, to Meet Needs of Students with Disabilities during COVID-19 Pandemic



# Through implementation of the resolution agreement the district will:

\*Develop and implement a plan to appropriately assess and provide compensatory education to students with disabilities who did not receive a FAPE during the COVID-19 pandemic

- \* Designate a plan administrator to implement the plan for assessment of compensatory education.
- \* Convene IEP and Section 504 teams to determine whether students were not provided the regular or special education and related aids and services designed to meet their individual needs during remote learning and determine compensatory education.



\* Track and report to OCR the implementation of the plan for compensatory education. And,

\*Conduct outreach to parents, guardians, students, and other stakeholders to publicize the plan for compensatory education and the roles of the plan administrator and independent ombudsperson.



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## CASE Policy and Legislative Committee

**CASE Policy Consultant** 

Collaboration with CEC, NASISP, NASP, Coalitions

OSEP Technical Assistant Centers and Grant Funded Projects

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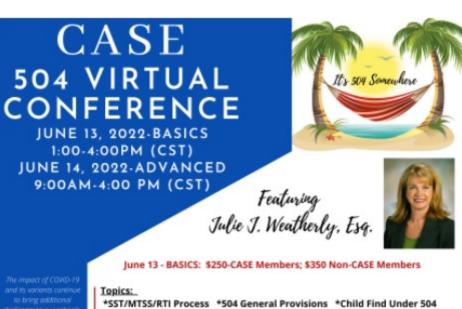


## SELS 2022 Special Education Legislative



#### LEADERSHIP • VISION • EXCELLENCE

### 504 Virtual Conference



\*Contents of a 504 Plan \*Discipline Under 504 \*504 Evaluations and "Eligibility Determinations" \*AND MORE!

June 14 - ADVANCED: \$350-CASE Members; \$450 Non-CASE Members

\*504 Safeguarded Rights \*Extended School Year Services \*504 FAPE \*COVID-19 \*Service Under 504 \*504 Definition of a "Parent" \*Service Animals \*AND MORE!

This session will be interative. Come prepared to engage with the presenter.

Intended Audience: 504 Coordinators; Special Education Directors; Principals; School Psychologists; General and Special Education Teachers; School Nurses; Counselors; Therapists; Attorneys

Register for Both Days and Save! \$500 CASE Members; \$700 Non-CASE Members

Register at: https://www.casecec.org/events





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#### 2022 Annual CASE Conference



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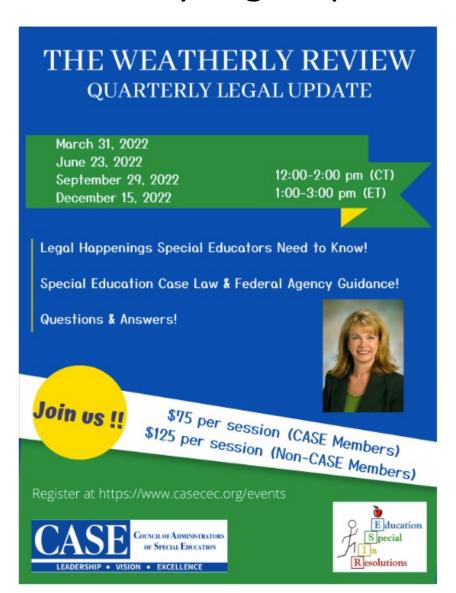
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