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Special Education Directors Conference

June 9 & 10, 2025

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Conference Highlights

Monday, June 9, 2025

Noon - 12:15 p.m.

Welcome: SELA Team

12:15 - 1:45 p.m.

Keynote Speaker:

David Horsager, CEO of Trust Edge Leadership and best-selling author of "Trust Matters: More Than Ever"

All registered attendees will receive a free copy of his book, Trust Matters!

2 - 4 p.m.

Overview of the Cyclical Monitoring Process

3 - 4 p.m.

We've Lived Through It! - Districts' Perspective on the Cyclical Monitoring Process - A Panel Discussion with Q&A

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

Welcome: Dr. Nakia Douglas, Director of Special Education, ISBE

9 - 2:30 p.m.

Breakout Sessions

Breakout Session Topics

- IDEA Grant Guidance
- Timely and Meaningful Consultation
- Legal Hot Topics
- DLM 1%
- Funding Guidance for Public Special Education Facilities
- Room and Board Guidance - The Secrets to Form 34-37/Form 34-43
- Tips and Trends in Special Education Dispute Resolution
- RTO Updates
- Nonpublic Placement Guidance
- It Takes a Village: Revitalizing a TPC in a Rural Community
- Indicator 13: Strengthening Postsecondary Transition to Employment for All Students with Disabilities
- Early Childhood Special Education Boot Camp: An Overview of What you Need to Know
- I-Star Plus
- The BEACON Portal
- Multilingual Learners and Special Education
- Training Qualified Interpreters for IEP Meetings
- Educational Surrogate Parents 101
- Team Building
- And MORE!