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From: Kathy Ehling, Assistant Commissioner

**Division of Educational Services** 

## **Preschool Inclusion Leadership Conference**

The New Jersey Department of Education, in partnership with Montclair State University Center for Autism and Early Childhood Mental (CAECMH), is pleased to sponsor the inaugural Preschool Inclusion Leadership Conference on Wednesday, April 24, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the National Conference Center at the Holiday Inn in East Windsor, New Jersey. The theme of the conference is Building a Bridge – Bringing General and Special Education Together to Support Inclusion. The target audience for the conference is Superintendents, Directors of Special Services, Early Childhood Directors, and Principals who are working together to support high quality inclusive education in preschool and beyond. This professional learning opportunity will equip school administrators, preschool educators, and support staff with skills and resources to implement inclusive education in preschools and learning environments. Workshops will be provided by nationally recognized and experienced inclusive educational experts, leaders, and advocates.

A \$58 registration fee is required to cover breakfast and lunch. Please visit the New Jersey Preschool Inclusion Education Project webpage (NJPIEP) or register at the Preschool Inclusion Leadership Conference on Eventbrite.

Please direct questions to Dr. Corinne G. Catalano, NJPIEP Project Lead at catalanoc@montclair.edu.

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