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# DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

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To: Local Educational Agency Leads, Administrators of Approved Private Schools for Students with Disabilities  
From: Kathy Ehling, Assistant Commissioner  
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## Office of Special Education Online Resources

The Office of Special Education (OSE) values its mission to provide educators, families and other stakeholders with the technical assistance, professional learning in evidence-based practices, and access to instructional materials and resources necessary for students with IEPs to achieve the goals established for all New Jersey students.

This quarterly broadcast, along with the OSE's Newsletter, highlights various tools and resources recently made available to the public through the OSE website. Each resource is curated with equity, diversity, empowerment, and improved student outcomes in mind.

The following resources and websites can now be accessed online:

- New landing pages for [Accountability and Quality Improvement](#) (Monitoring) and [Special Education Data and Resources](#)
- [Special Education in Action Newsletter, Issue 10 \(Winter 23/24\)](#): Highlighting the Dare to Dream Conference and the Student Self-Advocacy Experience with Matthew Kane
- Updated [Free and Low Cost Legal and Advocate Services](#)
- Two additional [E-Learning Opportunities](#) that can be used for on-demand professional development:
  - "Work Refusal: Reframing from Won't Do to Can't Do"
  - "Who Are NJ Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disability?"

In addition to these resources, we continuously highlight ongoing opportunities for action, learning and collaboration on the [Special Education Engagement website](#).

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