



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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
Route To: Building Administrators, Directors of Guidance, Special Education Directors, Child Study Team Members, Teachers
From: Kathy Ehling, Assistant Commissioner
Division of Educational Services

Summer Learning Institute 2024: "Progress Through Partnership"

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) is excited to host the 2nd Annual Summer Learning Institute 2024 (SLI 2024). This year's theme, "Progress through Partnership," will highlight the importance of collaboration and shared expertise in advancing educational practices and improving student outcomes. Partner organizations co-presenting with NJDOE staff include:

- New Jersey Coalition for Inclusive Education;
- SPAN Parent Advocacy Network;
- Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School's Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities;
 - New Jersey Positive Behavior Support in Schools (NJ PBSIS)
 - Community-Based Instruction (CBI)
 - Person Centered Approaches in Schools and Transition (PCAST)
- Montclair State University Center for Autism and Early Childhood Mental Health;
- Autism NJ;
- The College of New Jersey's (TCNJ) Center on Sensory and Complex Disabilities (CSCD);
- Rutgers University's New Jersey Tiered System of Support-Early Reading Initiative;
- Rutgers University's Disproportionality and Equity Lab;
- Rowan University's Learning Resource Center – South (Glassboro);
- The NJ Department of Labor and Workforce Development's Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (DVRS);
- New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission; and
- New Jersey School-Age Childcare Coalition (NJSACC).

SLI 2024, "Progress through Partnerships" supports positive change in New Jersey's educational programs and services by bringing together diverse stakeholders to collaborate, innovate, and make a meaningful impact on teaching and learning.

Over 40 sessions will be offered for administrators, teachers, child study team members, families, and other stakeholders from July 8th through July 26th. Sessions will be held in person or virtually throughout the Learning Resource Network.

- In-person sessions will be held from 9 AM to 12 PM.
- Virtual offerings will be held from 10:30 AM to 12 PM.

How to Access and Register for the Summer Learning Institute

The [Summer Learning Institute website](#) provides registration links and user-friendly access to learning opportunities.

Contact Information

For questions, please contact the Office of Special Education at TAEdServices@doe.nj.gov.

c: Members, State Board of Education
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