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Leading Equitable & Inclusive Education

REGISTER NOW FOR OUR FALL 2017 MEMBER MEETING



Ensuring High Quality Supports and Services

Co-hosted by Seattle Public Schools
and Tacoma Public Schools

Only 2 weeks left for early registration!

November 1-3, 2017
Fairmont Olympic Hotel
Seattle, Washington

[Click here to register.](#)

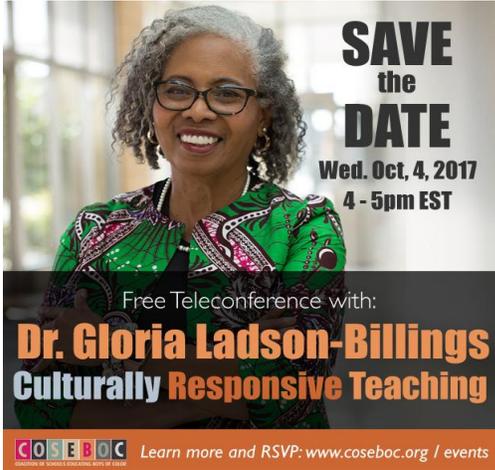


ADAPT PROTESTING MEDICAID CUT

Disability Scoops' article [Disability Advocates Arrested Protesting Medicaid Cuts](#) discusses ADAPT and other advocacy group's activism against cuts in Medicaid that could lead to curtailed home and community-based services. Without these services, people could be forced back into institutions!



COSEBOC: CONVERSATIONS WITH INFLUENTIAL THOUGHT LEADERS

A portrait of Dr. Gloria Ladson-Billings, a Black woman with short grey hair and glasses, wearing a vibrant green and black patterned top. She is smiling and looking towards the camera.

**SAVE
the
DATE**
Wed. Oct. 4, 2017
4 - 5pm EST

Free Teleconference with:
Dr. Gloria Ladson-Billings
Culturally Responsive Teaching

COSEBOC Learn more and RSVP: [www.coseboc.org / events](http://www.coseboc.org/events)

Join the Coalition of Schools Educating Boys of Color on October 4 for the start of their 2017-18 Teleconference Series: Conversations with Influential Thought Leaders. The goal of this series is to create, deepen and strengthen the capacity of educators and advocates dedicated to the affirmative development of boys and young men of color.

Dr. Ladson-Billings is a national educational treasure and the leading expert on cultural responsive education. She will present strategies and tools for every participant on the call dedicated to the affirmative development of boys and young men of color.

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ARE READING AND MATH DISABILITIES CONNECTED?



Education Week asks the question: [Are Reading and Math Disabilities: Two Sides of the Same Coin?](#) The National Science Foundation convened researchers to take a deeper look into the connections between learning disabilities, such as dyslexia, and math and STEM academic performance. The National Institute of Child Health and Human Development is also currently supporting a [study at Vanderbilt](#) that examines this link.

HOW FEDERAL POLICY MIGHT SHIFT FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Harvard Graduate School of Education's article, [What's Ahead for Special Education?](#) examines possible changes that the Trump administration could make to special education policy. Read this conversation with Laura Schifter, an expert on special education policy and a lecturer at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.



PROTOCOLS! PROTOCOLS! PROTOCOLS!

Search the [National School Reform Faculty](#) (NSRF) for the protocols we use at our member meetings and so many more! Start with [A to Z list of protocols](#), where you can find both the [Consultancy Dilemma](#) and [World Cafe](#) protocols.



THE URBAN COLLABORATIVE IN EDWEEK



The Urban Collaborative was mentioned in EdWeek! In [Complying With Spec. Ed. Bias Rule May Force Spending Shifts](#), read about states getting ready for this new legislation to have the effect of more districts identified as having significant disproportionality. Lauren Katzman, Executive Director of the Urban Collaborative is quoted in the piece saying that the rules provide necessary structures for states to build policy, but "They're one piece of a large puzzle that we need." Collaborative members understand that the work of changing practice can include, but not depend solely on legislation.

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBER DISTRICTS

Roseville Area Schools

Roseville Area Schools is located in Roseville, MN and serves approximately 1129 students. We welcome Dr. Alecia Mobley, Director of Student Services, as our lead member. To learn more about Roseville Area Schools, please visit [the website](#).



Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative

Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative is located in St. Charles, IL and serves approximately 265 students. We welcome Dr. Marianne Fidishin, Executive Director, as our lead member. To learn more about Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative, please visit [the website](#).



CONTRIBUTE YOUR IDEAS!

In an effort to invite more collaboration and participation to bridge policy, research, and practice in urban special education, CollabNews will give member's the opportunity to submit articles, research, and news related to special education and/or your district to be published in CollabNews. If you would like to submit material for upcoming issues, please click the link below to fill out a short form and we will contact you!

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