

# Welcome to CollabNews

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## Spring Member Meeting

**A Great Success!**



Our Spring meeting hosted by the fabulous Pittsburgh Public School focused on the power of social and emotional learning was a great success! Members experienced a powerful keynote address by Melissa Schlinger of CASEL, participated in member and partner presentations, heard from Pittsburgh Public School students, and held a conversation with Assistant Secretary of Education, Johnny Collett. We also delved into the arts with guided tours and a reception at The Andy Warhol Museum and participated in the creation of our own mural with Kyle Holbrook from the [MLK Community Mural Project](#).



Save the Date for our  
Fall Member Meeting in Chicago!

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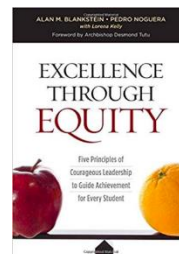
**FALL 2019 Member Meeting**  
*November 6-8, 2019*

*Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion:  
The Intersection of Disability and Race*

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**Westin Chicago River North, Chicago, IL**

Save the date for our Fall 2019 Member Meeting focused on equity, diversity, and inclusion! This meeting will be hosted by Chicago Public School and will feature keynote speaker Dr. Pedro Noguera, UCLA Distinguished Professor and Director of the [Center for the Transformation of Schools](#). Read his book "[Excellence Through Equity: Five Principles of Courageous Leadership to Guide Achievement for Every Student.](#)"



## SAT's Adversity Scores



The College Board recently added an “adversity score” to the SATs in order to capture students’ socioeconomic status and provide environmental context to test scores. Read the articles below to better understand the pros and cons of this practice.

- NPR - [SAT To Score Students' 'Disadvantages' To Try To Even The Playing Field](#) - 16 May 2019
- The Atlantic – [The Reasoning Behind the SAT’s New ‘Disadvantage’ Score](#) – 17 May 2019
- Inside Higher Ed - [New SAT Score: Adversity](#) – 20 May 2019
- The Hechinger Report - [Opinion: Why the SAT ‘adversity score’ makes sense](#) - 20 May 2019
- WBUR – [Will an SAT 'Adversity Score' Actually Address College Admission Disadvantages?](#) 21 May 2019
- Slate - [How Exactly Will SAT Test Takers’ “Adversity Score” Be Calculated?](#) – 21 May 2019
- Time - [By Omitting Race, the SAT's New Adversity Score Misrepresents Reality](#) – 21 May 2019
- EdWeek - [Counselors Blast College Board's Plan to Assign Students a 'Disadvantage' Score](#) - 21 May 2019
- New Yorker – [How I Would Have Fared on the SAT’s Adversity Score](#) – 30 May 2019

## Education Department's Disproportionality Rule Now in Effect

After a potential two-year delay, a court ruling against the delay, and an appeal currently filed, the U.S. Department of Education is requiring states to abide by the new regulations on addressing disproportionality. Read these articles to stay abreast of the policy work addressing disproportionality. In addition, stay tuned to possible shifts by looking at the website from the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs in the Office of Management and Budget.

- Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs in the Office of Management and Budget: [Significant Disproportionality Part B of the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act](#)
- *Washington Post* - [Education Department implements special-education rule after losing court case](#) – 22 May 2019
- *Disability Scoop* - [Ed Department Says States Must Comply With Special Education Rule](#) – 22 May 2019
- Ed Week - [Ed. Dept. Reverts to Original Timeline for Rules on Racial Bias in Special Education](#) - 21 May 2019

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## Research-Based Reading Instruction for All in Arkansas



Arkansas is moving all schools towards providing evidence-based reading instruction through their [Reading Initiative for Student Excellence](#) (R.I.S.E). By the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year all elementary and special education teachers will have to demonstrate proficiency in knowledge and practices of scientific reading instruction and all other teachers shall demonstrate awareness in knowledge and practices of scientific reading instruction. Read [Battle Over Reading: Parents of Children With Dyslexia Wage Curriculum War and Ark. College of Education Now Prepares Teachers in the Science of Reading](#) to learn more

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## Google's Wheelchair Accessibility Maps Have Arrived in 6 Cities



If you live in or travel to New York, Boston, London, Tokyo, Mexico City, or Sydney, Google Maps now provide accessible options. According to Google, "We're looking forward to working with additional transit agencies in the coming months to bring more wheelchair accessible routes to Google Maps."

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## Listen to this amazing young man sing on America's Got Talent



## Louisiana Department of Education's Special School District Superintendent Search

[Click here to see learn more about Louisiana Department of Education's Special School District Superintendent Search](#)

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