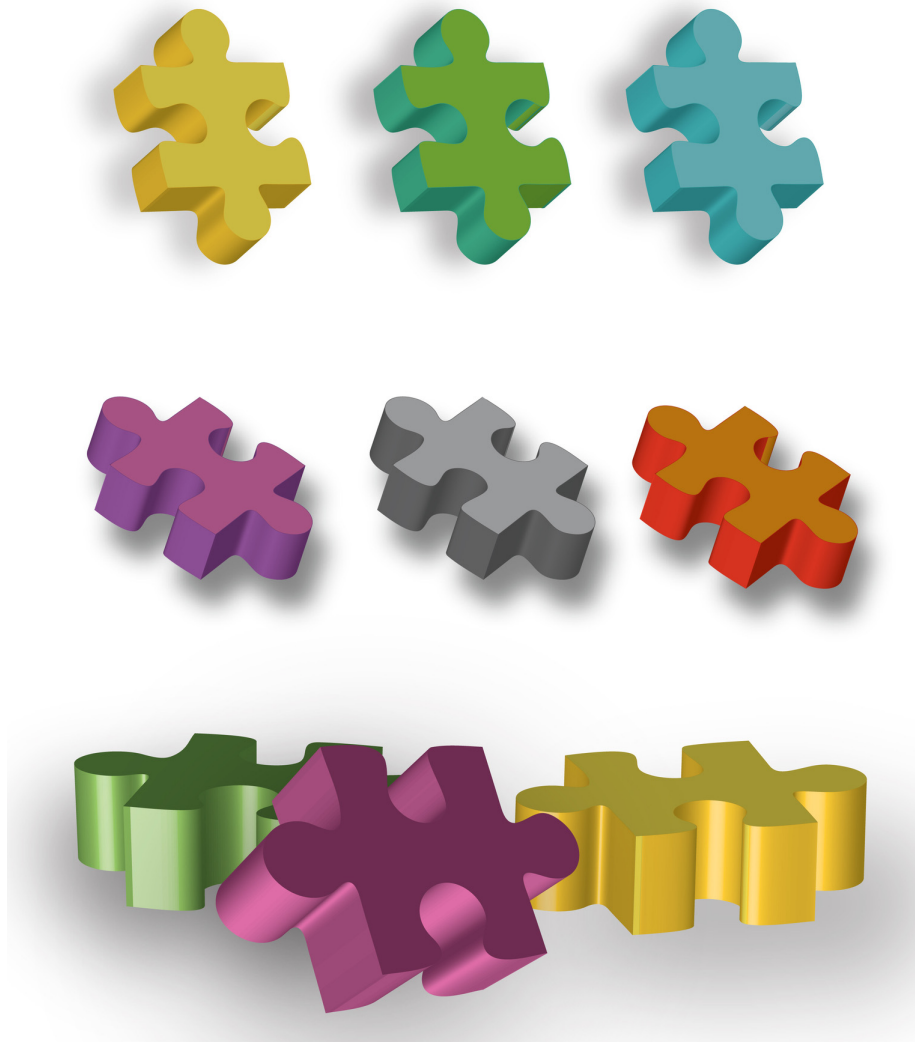




NATIONAL EDUCATORS LAW INSTITUTE

25TH ANNUAL DISABILITIES
CONFERENCE FOR EDUCATORS

A Day on Autism



“PUTTING THE PIECES TOGETHER”

March 1, 2019

Marriott West Loop by the Galleria • Houston, Texas

25TH Annual Disabilities Conference for Educators

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

An appropriate program is essential for every child with autism. Identifying an autistic student's specific needs is the cornerstone of every IEP. At the 25th Annual Legal Conference for Educators, you will receive invaluable information on critical issues, including navigating the world of transitions, how to conduct a comprehensive assistive technology evaluation, why students with autism have difficulty with reading comprehension and what to do about it, and creating and implementing meaningful social skills and discipline for the child with autism. Join us in Houston for this exciting and informative one-day conference, led by experienced school attorneys and renowned education specialists.

DATE & LOCATION

March 1, 2019

Marriott West Loop by the Galleria
1750 West Loop South
Houston, TX 77027
Phone: (713) 960-0111



*A limited block of rooms will be available at the Marriott West Loop at a state/government rate. We strongly encourage you to make reservations as early as possible to ensure availability as the room block is limited and fills up quickly. To receive this special rate, contact the Marriott West Loop directly at (713) 960-0111 and reference "National Educators Law Institute".

AGENDA

Friday, March 1

8:00 – 8:55 Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:55 – 9:00 Welcoming Remarks

9:00 – 9:45 "I Want My Own Aide": Appropriately Determining the Level of Support Needed by a Student and the Other Items on the Autism Supplement

Cynthia Buechler

Buechler & Associates, P.C.

9:45 – 10:00 Morning Break

10:00 – 10:45 Why Students with Autism Have Difficulty with Reading Comprehension and What to Do About It

Peggy Garen

Austin Independent School District

10:45 – 11:30 "With a Little Help from My Friends": Creating and Implementing Meaningful Social Skills

Nancy Kling, LPC

Behavior Plus, Inc.

11:30 – 1:00 Lunch on Your Own

1:00 – 1:45 "This is Going to Hurt Me More than it Hurts You": Discipline and the Child with Autism

William Buechler

Buechler & Associates, P.C.

1:45 – 2:00 Afternoon Break

2:00 – 2:45 "The World of Low and High Technology": How to Conduct a Comprehensive Assistive Technology Evaluation

Carye Edelman

Austin Independent School District

2:45 – 3:30 "Getting from Point A to Point B": Addressing Transitions in the School Environment and Beyond

Audra Hastings

Tyler Independent School District

3:30 – 3:45 Question and Answer Session

3:45 Adjourn

*The legal information provided at this conference is for general purposes only. It is not intended as a substitute for individual legal advice or the provision of legal services. Accessing this information does not create an attorney-client relationship. Individual legal situations vary greatly and attendees should consult directly with an attorney.



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WHO SHOULD ATTEND

NELI conferences are open to all school personnel and anyone with an interest in the subject of disabilities law. Whether you're in special education, general education, or school administration, this conference is ideal training for:

- Special Education Directors
 - Special Education Department Chairs
 - Principals/Administrators
 - Superintendents
 - Educational Diagnosticians
 - 504 Personnel
 - Special Education Personnel
 - General Education Personnel
 - Counselors
 - Behavior Specialists
 - LSSPs
 - Charter School Personnel
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ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

CYNTHIA S. BUECHLER is a partner in the law firm of Buechler & Associates, P.C. Ms. Buechler served as a Hearings Examiner and Assistant General Counsel for the Texas Education Agency until 1987 and has since practiced school law exclusively. Ms. Buechler is a frequent speaker at in-service programs and law seminars nationwide and is director of the National Educators Law Institute.

WILLIAM M. BUECHLER is the managing partner at the law firm of Buechler & Associates, P.C. His practice emphasizes special education, Section 504, ADA, civil rights and employment and administrative law issues. Mr. Buechler frequently speaks at education law seminars and conferences at the state and national levels and is managing director of the National Educators Law Institute.

CARYE EDELMAN is an assistive technology specialist with Austin Independent School District and brings over 30 years experience in special education. Carye is a frequent presenter at local, state and national conferences and was one of the authors of ATSTAR, an online Assistive Technology curriculum for campus staff and administrators.

PEGGY GAREN has been working with students with special needs over 25 years. She has a master's degree in speech pathology and is currently the administrative supervisor for social, communication and behavior for Austin Independent School District. Her area of expertise is autism spectrum disorders and social pragmatic communication.

AUDRA HASTINGS, BCBA is a seasoned expert with over 20 years experience working with challenging behaviors. Ms. Hastings is a Board Certified Behavior Analyst and currently works at the Tyler Independent School District as a behavior analyst. She has previously worked with the Austin, Conroe and Wichita Falls Independent School Districts.

NANCY KLING, LPC is the owner of Behavior Plus, Inc. She has a master's degree in clinical psychology, and has worked with public schools since 1993 as a behavior specialist, a Licensed Specialist in School Psychology, and as a special education administrator and is a frequent presenter at workshops on autism, behavior issues, and parenting issues.

NELI PRODUCTS AND UPCOMING CONFERENCES

NELI PRODUCTS!

Have you seen our growing line of products? NELI has a full line of folders for use in the classroom, including our NEW Dyslexia Identification Folder and Dyslexia Progress Monitoring Folder. And our desktop references are designed to provide quick access on Section 504, MDR for special education and restraint & timeout.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Our 13th Annual 504 Academy (June 10, 2019) and 18th Annual Assessment Boot Camp (June 11-12, 2019) will be held in Austin, TX at the Doubletree by Hilton Austin! It's three days of training you won't want to miss so save the dates!

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ACCREDITATION

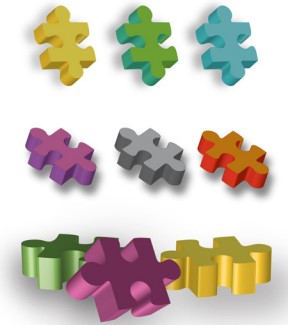
All attendees will receive a certificate at the end of the conference indicating they have earned 4.5 hours of Continuing Education Credit. **Counselors:** The conference sponsors have applied to the State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors for 4.5 hours of continuing education credit for licensed professional counselors. **Administrators, Teachers & Diagnosticians:** This program may meet the local criteria for 4.5 hours of school administrator's general management training, which is no longer governed by the Texas Education Agency. NELI has been approved by the State Board of Educator Certification (SBEC) as a provider of continuing professional education (CPE) credit. **School Board Members:** The conference sponsors are registered providers of school board member training with the Texas Education Agency. This program provides 4.5 hours of school board member training in the areas of Vision, Structure and Unity. **Psychologists:** The conference may be approved by the State Board of Examiners of Psychology for 4.5 hours of continuing education credit for psychologists. **Speech-Language Pathologists:** The conference sponsors have applied to the Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association for 4.5 hours of continuing education for Speech-Language Pathologists.



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REGISTRATION

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*To register multiple individuals, please submit a separate form for each attendee.

Ways to Register:

Call! (512) 732-2988 **Fax!** (512) 322-9342 **E-mail!** edservices@nelilaw.net

Mail! 3660 Stoneridge Road, Suite D-101 · Austin, TX 78746 **Online!** www.nelilaw.net

Attendee: _____ Position: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

District/Co-op: _____ Region: _____

School (if applicable): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Billing Address (if different): _____

Registration Fees:

- Pre-Registration—\$185.00
- On-Site Registration—\$195.00*
*On-Site registration fee required after Feb. 28, 2019

Payment:

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- Check (Enclosed Mailing Separately)
- Purchase Order (Enclosed Mailing Separately)
- Invoice Me (Attn: _____)
- Credit Card (Please call NELI at 512-732-2988)

Cancellation Policy—Please Read! Cancellations will only be accepted up to February 15, 2019. Substitution of attendees is allowed at any time, up to and including the day of the conference. Registrants not able to attend may transfer to any other NELI conference within one year.