



NATIONAL EDUCATORS LAW INSTITUTE

2024 SPRING CONFERENCES



2 Ways To Earn Your Stripes

**18TH ANNUAL
504 ACADEMY**

**23RD ANNUAL
ASSESSMENT BOOT CAMP**

**On Demand and
Live Webinar Training**

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ON DEMAND AND LIVE WEBINAR TRAINING

18TH ANNUAL 504 ACADEMY

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Now in its eighteenth year, NELI's 504 Academy provides up-to-the-minute training for new and experienced 504 coordinators, administrators, teachers and any educator who works with students receiving 504 services. Experienced school law attorneys will address topics that are at the forefront in today's environment. This conference will include a live Q&A session on May 29. **Recorded versions of ALL TOPICS will be available for viewing through July 31, 2024.**

CONFERENCE TOPICS

- ♦ **"Rocky is my Son's Service Squirrel": How to Handle Service Animal Requests**
(Live May 29 @ 10:00 am cst)
Cynthia S. Buechler - Buechler & Associates, P.C.
- ♦ **"Are They 504 or Special Education?": Where is the Line Drawn Under Child Find?**
(Live May 29 @ 2:00 pm cst)
David Richards - Richards Lindsay & Martín, L.L.P.
- ♦ **"We Can't Provide That, We Simply Don't Have the Resources": Top Ten Statements that Should Never Be Said(Recorded)**
William M. Buechler - Buechler & Associates, P.C.
- ♦ **"So You Want to be a Cheerleader": Addressing a Student with Disabilities' Access to Extracurricular Activities**
Denise Hays - Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle P.C.
- ♦ **"The School Discriminated Against My Child": How to Effectively Respond to an OCR Complaint (Recorded)**
Jose Martin - Richards Lindsay & Martín, L.L.P.
- ♦ **"Can a 504 Plan Have Goals?": Drafting an Appropriate Accommodation Plan (Recorded)**
Cynthia S. Buechler - Buechler & Associates, P.C.

23RD ANNUAL ASSESSMENT BOOT CAMP

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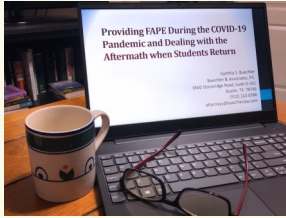
For over two decades, school administrators, assessment personnel and teachers have been coming to the Assessment Boot Camp for useful and timely information on the legal issues pertaining to special education programming and evaluation. No drill sergeants here, just experienced attorneys and educational experts with great insight and up to the minute information critical to keeping you fully compliant with federal and state mandates. This conference will include a live Q&A session on May 30 and 31. **Recorded versions of ALL TOPICS will be available for viewing through July 31, 2024.**

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- ♦ **"Divorce, Stepparents, Significant Others, Foster Parents and the State": Navigating the Complexities of Families to Determine Who is a Parent**
(Live May 30 @ 10:00 am cst)
Cynthia S. Buechler - Buechler & Associates, P.C.
- ♦ **"How Dangerous Does a Student Have to Be?": Obtaining an Injunction Under Honig v. Doe**
(Live May 30 @ 2:00 pm cst - One Hour)
Denise Hays - Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle P.C.
- ♦ **"Bewitched, Bothered, and Bewildered": The Current State of Dyslexia**
(Live May 31 @ 10:00 am cst - 1.5 Hours)
Dr. Gail Cheramie - Educational Consultant
- ♦ **"The State of the State": Current Trends at TEA (Recorded)**
Dr. Jennifer Alexander - Texas Education Agency
- ♦ **"You Can't Have the ARD Meeting without Me!": What Constitutes Providing Services in a Collaborative Manner with Parents (Recorded)**
William M. Buechler - Buechler & Associates, P.C.
- ♦ **"From General Education to Residential Placement": How to Determine the Least Restrictive Environment (Recorded)**
Cynthia S. Buechler - Buechler & Associates, P.C.
- ♦ **"My Child Needs Two Hours of Speech and Occupational Therapy Each Week": Appropriately Addressing Related Services in an ARD Meeting (Recorded)**
Jamie Turner - Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle P.C.
- ♦ **"Children in Private Schools": What are a District's Obligations? (Recorded)**
Paula Roalson - Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle P.C.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

ONLINE LEARNING



Both Conferences will be available online!
We will have a combination of On-Demand Webinars and Live Training Webinars to cover all topics for both Conferences.

504 ACADEMY SPEAKERS

CYNTHIA S. BUECHLER is a partner in the law firm of Buechler & Associates, P.C. Ms. Buechler has been practicing disabilities law for over 30 years. Ms. Buechler is the C.E.O and Co-founder 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 serves as Managing Director and Co-founder of the National Educators Law Institute.

DENISE HAYS is a shareholder with the law firm of Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle P.C. Ms. Hays was a public school special education teacher, a staff attorney for TASB, and also served as a hearing officer for school boards. Her current areas of practice are special education and disabilities law.

JOSE MARTÍN is a partner in the law firm of Richards, Lindsay & Martín, LLP and brings over 20 years experience focusing exclusively on matters involving the education of students with disabilities under IDEA and Section 504. Mr. Martín is the Contributing Editor to *The Special Educator* and LRP's web-based *Special Ed Connection* and is a frequent presenter on disabilities law to audiences nationwide.

DAVID RICHARDS is a partner in the Austin law firm of Richards, Lindsay & Martín, LLP, where his practice focuses on Section 504 and special education issues. Mr. Richards is a frequent contributor to various publications and guest speaker at conferences and inservices on disabilities law and 504 matters.

ASSESSMENT BOOT CAMP SPEAKERS

JENNIFER ALEXANDER, ED.D., is the Associate Commissioner of the Office of Special Populations and Monitoring with the Texas Education Agency. Ms. Alexander has over 24 years of education experience working with students with disabilities and at-risk populations at various positions in Texas schools including special education teacher, educational diagnostician, special education supervisor, assistant director of special education and executive director of student services.

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GAIL CHERAMIE, PH.D., is a licensed psychologist, LSSP, and nationally certified school psychologist, and was director of the School Psychology program at the University of Houston–Clear

Lake for over 30 years. Dr. Cheramie currently consults with school districts throughout Texas on matters related to evaluation, identification and educational programming for students with developmental, learning and behavioral disorders.

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PAULA ROALSON is a shareholder with Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle P.C. in Houston. Ms. Roalson previously served as the staff attorney for special education for TASB. Her practice emphasizes the representation of school districts in special education litigation and general school law.

JAMIE TURNER is an attorney with the law firm of Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle P.C. and focuses her practice on special education and student matters. Jamie previously served public schools as in-house counsel for the Austin Independent School District, in private practice representing schools in general education matters, and as a special education administrator.

ACCREDITATION

Earn up to 11.75 Hours continuing education credit! All attendees will receive a certificate at the end of each conference indicating they have earned Continuing Education Credit (7.25 hours for Boot Camp, 4.5 hours for 504 Academy). **Counselors:** The conference sponsors are approved by the State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors for up to 11.75 hours of continuing education credit for licensed professional counselors. **Administrators, Teachers & Diagnosticians:** This program may meet the local criteria for up to 11.75 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 up to 11.75 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 up to 11.75 hours of continuing education credit for psychologists. **Speech-Language Pathologists:** The conference may be approved by the Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association for up to 11.75 hours of continuing education for Speech-Language Pathologists.

REGISTRATION FORM

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Registration is as easy as 1...2...3!

1. Choose Your Training

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Register Me For:

On Demand and Live Webinars

- ☐ **18th Annual 504 Academy**—\$195.00*
May 29, 2024
- ☐ **23rd Annual Assessment Boot Camp**—\$270.00*
May 30 - 31, 2024
- ☐ **NELI Training Two-Pack**—\$430.00*
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**Attend the Live Webinars on the specific
dates or watch the recorded versions at
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save! We will have a combination of On-Demand Webinars
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2. Attendee Information

Submit Separate Form For Each Attendee

Attendee: _____ Position: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

District/Co-op: _____ Region: _____

School (if applicable): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Billing Address (if different): _____

3. Submit Registration & Payment

Four Ways to Register

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Register Via:

- ☐ Check (☐ Enclosed ☐ Mailing Separately)
- ☐ Purchase Order (☐ Enclosed ☐ Mailing Separately)
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Cancellation Policy—Please Read!: Cancellations will only be accepted through May 25, 2024. Substitution of attendees is allowed at any time, up to and including the day of the conferences. Registrants not able to participate may transfer to any other NELI Conference within one year.