

# IAASE

20th Annual Winter Conference

February 20-22, 2019 - Crowne Plaza Convention Center - Springfield, IL

*Facing the Future - Together*



## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Ben Glenn and Andre Norman ready to inspire!

## ADMINISTRATOR ACADEMY

Provision and Identification of Services to the Special Education Student AAC#593

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Over 30 hours of professional development on key topics.

**The Illinois Alliance of Administrators of Special Education (IAASE) is a non-profit Special education organization for Administrators that promotes educational opportunities for all students with an emphasis on students with disabilities. IAASE's action oriented administrative focus leads the special education field in the areas of policy development, finance, and legislation at the local, state, and national levels.**

## **IAASE MISSION**

**The IAASE provides leadership related to special education by delivering: impactful advocacy for students and families, guidance for improving student outcomes, progressive professional development, effective legislative advocacy, dynamic networking opportunities, and statewide guidance on policy development.**

IAASE believes in the following core leadership values . . . .

- Upholding ethical leadership standards with integrity
- Exuding a strong sense of passion and commitment to the profession
- Emulating equity through all of our activities
- Creating solutions through adaptive problem solving
- Improving outcomes for students with special needs through data driven decision making
- Promoting change through innovative practices

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### GENERAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION

This conference features timely topics of interest to IAASE members, special education directors and supervisors, and general education administrators.

#### **Dates and Times:**

**February 20, 2019** – Pre-Conference Workshop (Wednesday)  
Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. Pre-conference workshop is from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**February 21-22, 2019** – Winter Conference (Thursday and Friday)  
Conference registration and continental breakfast begin at 7:30 a.m. each day. Conference presentations begin promptly at 8:15 a.m. each day.

#### **Conference Location:**

**Crowne Plaza Springfield**  
3000 South Dirksen Parkway  
Springfield, Illinois 62703

#### **Crowne Plaza/Holiday Inn Express Reservations:**

**Rate: \$126 per night plus tax (Single or Double)**  
**Phone: (217) 529-7777**

Please use the code IAASE when booking guest rooms at the IAASE Winter Conference rate. Hotel reservations must be made by Tuesday, January 22, 2019. After this cut-off date, rooms will be subject to availability and the current hotel rate. Reservation cancellations must be made 24 hours prior to the date of arrival to avoid charges.

#### **Pre-Conference Administrators' Academy**

##### **Registration Fee:**

**\$125 Per Person for registrations on or before February 7**

**\$225 Per Person for registrations after February 7, 2019**

**Online Registration closes on February 14, 2019**

(Administrators' Academy Credit Available)

Register early as the pre-conference workshop is limited to 140 participants. The registration fee includes Administrators' Academy credit fee, continental breakfast, working lunch, and materials. (The pre-conference registration fee is not included in the IAASE Winter Conference registration fee.)

#### **Early-Bird Winter Conference Fees for**

##### **Registrations Received on or before February 1:**

**\$225** – FY2019 IAASE Members Only

**\$325** – Non-Members

**\$125** – FY2019 IAASE Aspiring Administrators (Enrolled in a graduate program leading to Administrative or Supervisory endorsement but not currently in an administrative role - Documentation required)

**\$125** – FY2019 IAASE Retired Members

After February 7 the registration fee for each category increases \$100.

#### **The online registration deadline is February 14, 2019**

Remember to register early!! Registration fee includes official programmed events, continental breakfasts, luncheon on Thursday, "Social Hour" on Thursday evening, and access to Guidebook, the 2019 Winter Conference App.

Dress for the IAASE Winter Conference is casual.

**Membership enrollment and conference registration is available online. The online registration process will allow you to pay by credit card, check, or purchase order and you will receive an email confirmation! Simply visit [www.iaase.org](http://www.iaase.org) to access the online registration!**

Please make the check payable to IAASE and mail to:

**IAASE WINTER CONFERENCE**  
**P. O. 1733**  
**Granite City, IL 62040**  
**Contact Person: Lydia Sipes (618) 512-1414**

#### **Special Assistance:**

The Crowne Plaza Springfield is a fully accessible site. Conference staff will be happy to assist you with any special needs (physical, dietary, etc.). Please identify any special needs on your registration form or call (618) 622-8800 before February 7, 2019.

#### **Conference Cancellation Policy:**

A \$25 cancellation fee will be retained by IAASE for conference cancellations which occur on or before February 14, 2019. No refunds will be given for cancellations that occur after February 14, 2019. Registrations received but not cancelled will still be subject to the conference fee.

#### **Administrators' Academy Credit, Administrators' Recertification Professional Development Activity Hours, and CPDU Credit for Teacher Certification:**

Administrators' Academy Credit is available for attendees at the pre-conference workshop: "*Identification and Provision of Services to the Special Education Student*" AA#593 on Wednesday, February 20, 2019.

The pre-conference workshop and the IAASE 20th Annual Winter Conference could serve as possible professional development activities for the required hours for administrators' recertification.

Continuing Professional Development Units (CPDUs) for the teacher certification process will be available at the Winter Conference.

#### **Annual IAASE Membership:**

IAASE Membership Dues are renewable each July 1<sup>st</sup>. Paid membership prior to or in conjunction with the conference entitles registrants to take advantage of the reduced conference rates for IAASE members. The Membership application is available at [www.iaase.org](http://www.iaase.org).

- \$180 Professional Membership
- \$180 School Law Associate Membership
- \$180 Business Associate Membership
- \$ 50 Aspiring Administrator (*Documentation Required*)
- \$ 50 Retiree Membership (*For individuals who previously were IAASE members who have retired from full-time work*)

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## *Facing the Future - Together*

Pre-Conference Administrators' Academy Workshop & Executive Board Meeting: February 20<sup>th</sup>  
Twentieth Annual Winter Conference: February 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Crowne Plaza Springfield • 3000 South Dirksen Parkway • Springfield, Illinois

## **AGENDA**

### **Wednesday – February 20, 2019**

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	<b>Pre-Conference Workshop Registration and Continental Breakfast</b>
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	<b>Pre-Conference Workshop</b> (AA Credit Available) Presented by Brandon K. Wright <i>“Identification and Provision of Services to the Special Education Student” AA#593</i>
10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.	<b>IAASE Executive Board Meeting</b> – All IAASE Members Are Welcome
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	<b>Conference Registration and Check-in</b> (Lower floor lobby)

### **Thursday – February 21, 2019**

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	<b>Registration and Continental Breakfast</b>
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Exhibit Area Open</b>
8:30 a.m. – 8:40 a.m. (Prompt Start)	<b>Welcome and Announcements – General Session</b> Jami Hodge, IAASE President-Elect
8:40 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	<b>Introduction of IAASE Slate of Officers – General Session</b> Dr. Lea Anne Frost, IAASE Past President
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	<b>General Session – Ben Glenn</b>
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	<b>Transition/Beverage Break</b>
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>
11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	<b>Transition/Beverage Break</b>
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	<b>Luncheon with Recognition of Retiring IAASE Members</b>
1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	<b>Regional Meetings</b>
2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	<b>Transition/Beverage Break</b>
2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>
3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	<b>Transition/Beverage Break</b>
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Committee Meetings</b>
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	<b>Social Hour and SEA-PAC raffle. Sponsored by:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Engler Callaway Baasten &amp; Sraga, LLC</li><li>• Hauser Izzo, Petrarca, Gleason &amp; Stillman, LLC</li><li>• Miller, Tracy, Braun, Funk &amp; Miller, Ltd.</li><li>• Robbins Schwartz</li></ul>

### **Friday – February 22, 2019**

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	<b>Registration and Continental Breakfast</b>
8:30 a.m. – 8:40 a.m. (Prompt Start)	<b>Welcome and Announcements</b> Dr. Kevin Rubenstein, IAASE President
8:40 a.m. – 8:55 a.m.	<b>Award Presentations – General Session</b> Dr. Lea Anne Frost, IAASE Past-President
8:55 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	<b>General Session II – Andre Norman</b>
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	<b>Beverage Break</b>
10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	<b>Attorney Panel – Legislative Hot Topics</b> – The panel including Cynthia Baasten, Darcy Kriha, Mike Shae, Michelle Todd, and Jackie Wernz and facilitated by Bennett Rodick will discuss key issues in special education law.
10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	<b>Breakout Session</b> – presented by Andre Norman

**The Illinois Alliance of Administrators of Special Education  
in cooperation with the  
Illinois Special Education Leadership Academy (ISELA)  
and the Sangamon County Regional Office of Education #51  
invite special education and general education administrators  
to attend a pre-conference workshop...**

***“IDENTIFICATION AND PROVISION OF SERVICES  
TO THE SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENT”***

**Administrator Academy #593**

**Presented by**

**Brandon K. Wright, Attorney  
Miller, Tracy, Braun, Funk & Miller, LTD.**

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2019**

**Registration: 8:00 am to 8:30 am ♦ Workshop: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm  
Crowne Plaza Springfield – Sapphire Ballroom, 3000 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL**

**\$125 per Person** – Includes Administrators’ Academy Credit Fee,  
Continental Breakfast, Lunch, and Materials

(The pre-conference workshop fee is **NOT** included in the IAASE Winter Conference registration fee.)  
(Registration fee after February 7, 2019 will be \$225)

**Administrators’ Academy Credit and CPDU Credit  
are available for this workshop.**

You’ve got questions, we’ve got answers! This academy course, presented by Brandon K. Wright of Miller, Tracy, Braun, Funk & Miller, Ltd., is specially designed for administrators, teachers, and other special education professionals who need a “crash course” in the fundamentals of IDEA compliance and the emerging trends in special education law. Brandon will share his tips and strategies for avoiding legal missteps while offering a comprehensive overview of the IDEA and detailed explanations of the fundamental concepts of the IDEA and Section 504. Come prepared for a lively and informative day, packed with plenty of opportunities for audience participation and targeted answers to your most pressing questions.

With a practical and fresh approach, this course will use real-life discussions about matters that affect the creation of legally-compliant IEPs, including: trends in the case law; continuing impacts of *Endrew F.*; the role of technology, social media, and student privacy; behavioral interventions and school safety; and Section 504. By using case law from around the U.S., filtered through the lens of an experienced special education attorney, you will walk away with a renewed clarity about your legal obligations – and the confidence to keep focused on ensuring your district’s actions are **legal, efficient, and effective!**

**Register early as this workshop is limited to 140 participants.**

*Participants should be prepared to sign in giving either their social security number or their IEIN number  
in order to receive Administrator Academy credit*

# IAASE WINTER CONFERENCE BREAKOUT TOPICS AND PRESENTERS

Thursday, February 21, 2019

- ✓ **On the Horizon: Trends in Private Placements and Unilateral Placements (LEGAL)** By Cynthia M. Baasten
- ✓ **Teach Train Thrive (BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT)** By Lani Bennett
- ✓ **Twice Bitten, Once Shy: Accommodating High Achieving Students Under IDEA and Section 504 (LEGAL)**  
By Dana Fattore Crumley and Nicki B. Bazer
- ✓ **The Power of Collaboration: How One Cooperative and Member Districts Joined Forces to Increase Opportunities for Early Learners (INNOVATIVE PRACTICES)** By Cindy D'Ambrosio, Jeanine Woltman, and Carol Montgomery Fate
- ✓ **Online and Electronic IEP Services: Facing Our Future or Facing Litigation? (LEGAL)** By Teri E. Engler and Dr. Kevin Rubenstein
- ✓ **The Role of a Registered Behavior Technician in a School District (ADMINISTRATION)** By Dr. Mary Furbush, Wendy Barickman, and Emma Harris
- ✓ **Surviving Special Education Discipline: A 12-Step Strategy (LEGAL)** By Kevin B. Gordon
- ✓ **Advancing Leadership Impact Through Mentoring (LEADERSHIP)** By Dr. Judith Hackett and Dr. Christi Flores
- ✓ **Driving Teams with Data (INNOVATIVE PRACTICES)** By Candice Hartranft and Kristin Smith
- ✓ **More! More! More! Guiding Staff in Handling Parent Requests for Section 504 Accommodations (LEGAL)** By Dawn M. Hinkle
- ✓ **Consolidated District Plan and IDEA Program Updates (ADMINISTRATION)** By Tammy Greco and Zach Allen
- ✓ **What You'll Be Glad You Did: Tips for Surviving a Due Process Hearing (LEGAL)** By Laura Knittle and Dr. Lori Leppert
- ✓ **The 504 You Don't Expect – Identifying Section 504 Issues and Obligations Lurking in the Background (LEGAL)** By Mallory Milluzzi
- ✓ **Beyond Compliance: Transition-Rich, Evidence-Based Transition Planning (TRANSITION)** By Dr. Christine Putlak
- ✓ **Illinois Assessments (ASSESSMENT)** By Laura Quimby and Bonnie Jordan
- ✓ **Supporting the Social Emotional Needs of Students Proactively (MENTAL HEALTH)** By Kristin Schmidt and Helena Hernquist
- ✓ **Escalating Student Behavior and Safety Concerns: Legal Options and Considerations (LEGAL)** Caroline Roselli and Michelle Weber
- ✓ **Assistive Technology and the IEP (TECHNOLOGY)** By Jennifer Skalitzky
- ✓ **Mental Health Support for Students: The Legal Framework (LEGAL/MENTAL HEALTH)** By Jennifer Smith and Mary Dewese
- ✓ **Boardmaker and Beyond: The Next Era of Visual Supports (AUTISM)** By Sarah K. Smith
- ✓ **Top Ten Section 504 Blunders and How to Avoid Them (LEGAL)** By Courtney N. Stillman
- ✓ **Leading the Team: Preventing Due Process Complaints (LEGAL)** By Courtney N. Stillman
- ✓ **Walk It Off: 15 Minutes to Increased Student Engagement (INNOVATIVE PRACTICES)** By Shannon Swanson and Molly Victor
- ✓ **Maximizing Therapeutic Services and Outcomes for Students with Autism and Related Disorders Through Consistent Use of Key Evidence-Based Strategies (AUTISM)** By Mary Tallon
- ✓ **Legislative Panel (LEADERSHIP)** By Shannon Miller Bellini and Panel to be determined
- ✓ **Exploring the Role of Staff in the Prevention of Student Escalation and their Display of Assaultive Behavior (BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT)** By Dr. Richard VanAcker and Kim Warma
- ✓ **Too Much Technology? Addressing Legal Concerns Relating to the Use of Technology with Students (LEGAL)**  
By Jackie Wernz and Kendra Yoch
- ✓ **15-Year-Old 8th Graders - The Legal & The Practical (LEGAL)** By Brandon K. Wright, Melissa Taylor, and Susan Price

*Conference Topics and Presenters Subject to Change*



## Step-by-Step Directions for Online Membership Registration

**Membership enrollment and conference registration is available online. The online registration process will allow you to pay by credit card, check, or purchase order and you will receive an email confirmation!**

1. To begin the online registration process, go to [www.iaase.org](http://www.iaase.org)
2. Click on the words "Online Membership and Conference Registration" This link is located along the upper left margin.  
*(Note: do not click on the blue tab that says "Member Portal" This is the member benefit link you will use to access information that is only available to 2018-2019 paid members. Once you have completed your FY19 membership application you will receive an email with the username and password to access information on this link)*
3. You will see an informational paragraph about online registration. Once you have read it, click on the words "[click here](#)"
4. You will be taken to a page that has multiple registration links. **Remember, by paying your IAASE membership first, you become eligible for the discounted conference registration fees!**
5. You will then be connected to a page that describes the option you have chosen to register for. If this is correct, click on the words near the bottom of the message that says "**Register Now...**"
6. ARE YOU NEW TO IAASE? If you were not an IAASE member after the 2011-2012 year and did not attend a conference or workshop you will need to create a new account. Click on the red words "[Click Here to Create a New Account.](#)" You will then be taken to a blank information form that you will need to complete and submit. If you are creating a new password it must be 8 characters long and contain at least one numeral.
7. RETURNING IAASE MEMBERS: If you were an IAASE member or attended any of the conferences since the fall of 2011 you already have an account with your own specific username and password. Your username will always be your email address. If you do not remember what your registration password for has been you can click on the words: "[Click Here for Lost Password](#)" and your password will be emailed to you. If you remember your password you can fill in the blanks and click to login. This will take you to a page that tells you if you are eligible to renew your membership or if it has already been renewed. If eligible, click on the words "Click to Register." **IMPORTANT: This is where you have the opportunity to revise any information that may have changed. Please check it carefully and make any appropriate revisions.**
8. If you are not certain about which region you work in, click on the words {[View Details](#)} where you will see the counties that are included in each of the separate regions.
9. Once you have completed the form and made any appropriate revisions click "**Submit Membership**" at the bottom of the page
10. You will be given the option at this point to register another individual for the same event, see a list of events to register for another event, or click to complete the registration and proceed to the checkout.
11. When you decide to checkout you will be given several payment options. You can enter your credit card information or select the option to pay by check or purchase order.
12. Once you complete the checkout you will receive a confirmation message that your membership application has been processed. This message will also include the IAASE member username and password to access the members' portion of the website.
13. If you have selected the option to pay by check please print your confirmation message and submit it, along with your payment to: IAASE, P.O. Box 1733, Granite City, IL 62040. If you are paying by purchase order please email a copy of the PO to [lsipes@iaase.org](mailto:lsipes@iaase.org) or fax a copy to 618-931-0463.

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## Step-by-Step Directions for Online Conference and Workshop Registrations

**IMPORTANT: Remember, by paying your IAASE membership first, (see above) you become eligible for the discounted conference registration fees!**

If you are registering your membership and registering for an event at the same time you can continue from step #10 above.

If you are not registering your membership, and have not been an IAASE member, you will need to begin with step #1 above and proceed to step 6 (NOTE: There are no membership discounts for pre-conference workshop registrations and you do not need to be a member to attend a pre-conference workshop.) Complete the form and submit. This will take you to step 10 above

- You will be given the option at this point to register another individual for the same event, see a list of events to register for another event, or click to complete the registration and proceed to the checkout.
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