

ILLINOIS COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

Warm July Greetings!

I trust that you are very well and looking forward to a wonderful summer, 2024.

Thank you for your ongoing membership in *CEC/ICEC*. You are a special part of an international community of special education and related services professionals.

Here are a few July updates:

1. The 75th Annual ICEC Fall Convention, November 14-16, 2024

Double check that you marked your calendar to participate in the **75**th **Annual ICEC Fall Convention, November 14-16, 2024**. The Convention program announcement is out! Convention registration is open and hotel reservations may be made. See the ICEC website and the trifold announcement for details. Use the following link for details on the program, convention registration, the call for posters, exhibits, and advertisements: https://www.illinoiscec.net/convention-call-for-posters/ **Register today and save.**

2. Celebrating the 75th Anniversary of ICEC

We are celebrating 75 years of ICEC all year long. You are invited to a special field trip to visit the ICEC Archives followed by lunch 10:00 a.m. on Monday July 15. Please see the poster below for details. RSVP to epcrowl@ilstu.edu by July 12. I look forward to being your host for this special event.



See the *Month-by-Month* lineup for the 75th ICEC Anniversary series on the ICEC website. We celebrate the expertise of our presenters and thank them for their generous sharing of their knowledge, skills, and experience with us.

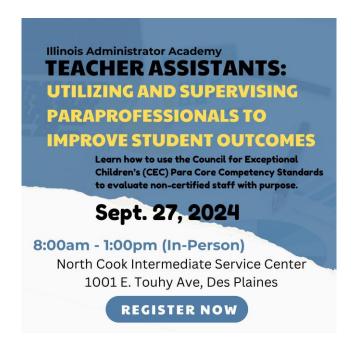
3. Professional Awards

Now is the perfect time to nominate *an outstanding colleague* for a professional award. The ICEC professional awards will be presented at the convention and during the Ray Graham Memorial Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 16. The online application forms are now available on the ICEC website:

https://www.illinoiscec.net/awards-scholarships/ This is your chance to recognize an especially outstanding professional who does especially outstanding work in special education.

4. Invitations

ICEC member, Karen Starr invites us to participate in an *Illinois Administrator Academy* designed to enhance our work with teacher assistants. Please see the details in the poster below. Use this link <u>HERE</u> to register for this special event. For questions contact Karen at: Starr.karen@ccsd59.org



Finally, I wish you a beautiful, memorable, healthy, and happy summer 2024 and I look forward to meeting you soon either in-person or virtually.

Sincerely,

Paula

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