Welcome to G-CASE
Special Education Leadership Development Academy (SELDI)

The Georgia Council of Administrators of Special Education
We are the Georgia Unit of National CASE...

*The Council of Administrators of Special Education*, which is a Division of CEC, the *Council of Exceptional Children*. 
A Unified Voice for Special Education Students and Leaders Across Georgia

G-CASE:

➢ Promotes Professional Membership
➢ Provides Professional Learning
➢ Practices Professional Leadership
Our Major Goal:

To improve services to children with special needs
G-CASE strives to provide leadership and support to our members by **providing input into the policies and practices** in Georgia which impact the quality of education and by **providing support to the professionals (you!)** who serve the students of Georgia.
Leadership of this organization includes an Executive Committee, an Advisory Board from the eighteen districts across the state and several ad-hoc members from other organizations.
Leadership

G-CASE is led by elected officers who volunteer their services and expertise.

An Executive Director funded by G-CASE oversees the day-to-day activities, finances, and professional learning opportunities.
G-CASE Opportunities

G-CASE Members have the opportunity to serve on a variety of working committees designed to enhance our mission:

- Professional Learning
- Legislation
- Membership
- Communications
- Strategic Planning
- Research and Innovation
- Policy and Procedures
The Georgia Association of Educational Leaders (GAEL) is the organization that provides unity of school leadership groups in Georgia.
The Georgia Association of Educational Leaders (GAEL) is a statewide organization composed of seven professional affiliate organizations for school leaders:

- The Georgia Association of Curriculum and Instructional Supervisors (GACIS)
- The Georgia Association of Elementary School Principals (GAESP)
- The Georgia Association of Middle School Principals (GAMSP)
- The Georgia Association for Secondary School Principals (GASSP)
- The Georgia Council of Administrators of Special Education (G-CASE)
- The Georgia Association of School Personnel Administrators (GASPA)
- The Georgia School Superintendents Association (GSSA)
...and Two Associate Groups:

- Student Support Team Association for Georgia Educators (SSTAGE)
- Georgia Educational Leadership Faculty Association (GELFA)
G-CASE Membership

G-CASE seeks individuals for membership who are involved in the administration of special education programs *(you!)* at a regional, system, or building level, as well as college faculty involved in the preparation of administrators.
There are over 500 active members of G-CASE!

The Membership Year goes from July 1st to June 30th.

Membership in G-CASE costs $50/year.
G-CASE members are encouraged to join national professional organizations designed to enhance the skills of special education administrators:

- The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)
- and the
- Council for Administrators of Special Education (CASE)
Membership in CEC and CASE begins on the anniversary date of the membership and extends for one complete year from that date.

- CEC/CASE Membership through GAEL/G-CASE: $137.00.
Why Join G-CASE?
G-CASE offers two major conferences a year, including our Fall Conference in Savannah, a Spring Legal Forum featuring attorneys from Georgia and the nation; as well as “Drive-In Conferences” featuring timely presentations on trending topics.

G-CASE Promotes Professional Learning
Professional Learning Since COVID-19:

- Three Collaborative Conversations with all G-CASE Members:
  2. Meeting the Needs of Our Students with Disabilities during COVID-19: Reliable, “Best Practice” Answers from the GaDOE
  3. Back to School for Students with Disabilities: Restarting Guidelines Specific to the Implementation of IDEA
- Strengthening Virtual Instruction for Non-GAA Students
- Three-Part Webinar Series on Cultural Responsibility and Responsiveness
- Monthly Lunch and Learn Webinars
- Three-day Spring Legal Forum (live in Athens and livestreamed)
G-CASE partners with the Georgia Department of Education by co-sponsoring the Special Education Leadership Development Academy (SELDA) and other activities.
G-CASE also partners with the Georgia Department of Education by providing experienced **Mentors** to first-year Special Education Directors participating in SELDA. *Expect to hear from your Mentor soon!*

G-CASE Promotes Professional Learning for New Administrators of Special Education
G-CASE will provide SELDA participants with a LEGAL ISSUES training during Fall Conference, featuring well-known education attorneys from Harben, Hartley, and Hawkins.

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G-CASE, GAEL, GACTE, and PAGE members participate in “A Day at the Capital” in Atlanta each year to share our educational priorities with state legislators.

G-CASE Provides Input into State Policies and Practices that impact the quality of education, as well as...
Providing Our Voice into NATIONAL Policies and Practices that Impact Educational Outcomes for Our Students

...and in Washington!
G-Case Comments
Georgia Council of Administrators of Special Education

President’s Corner

Greetings G-Case Friends,

Well, it looks like we’re almost there! We are quickly approaching June and anxiously waiting to enjoy some sense of normalcy. Despite the challenges of this past year, G-Case has accomplished a lot and is stronger than ever!

We are proud to share that many have provided positive feedback regarding our monthly webinars. Our Spring Legal Conference was very successful! And... drum roll please... G-Case has received the Communications Award from National CASE! Am I right? What a year it turned out to be after all! I am thankful to end this year with G-Case in a wonderful place and look forward to an even more productive year next.

That said, as you all are planning to wrap up this school year, I hope that you will take some time to reflect on your own successes. I hope you all have many successes this year! Literally, please look in your November 17th newsletter for the Fall Conference in Savannah. We are busy planning a spectacular conference for you — which already includes a special sightseeing tour by Teach Tour. Can’t wait to see your beautiful city again.

Sarah

Notes from the Executive Director

Stronger than Ever!

We are excited to announce the addition of a new member to our team — Teach Tour. This innovative company offers unique sightseeing experiences for educators and will enhance the conference experience for our attendees.

G-Case Communications

All G-Case members receive our newsletter -- “G-Case Comments” -- on a quarterly basis - full of information from attorneys, the GaDOE, national CASE, and local administrators.

G-Case Communicates through discussion and publication information to improve services to exceptional students.
We are also active on Social Media!

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http://gcase.schoolinsites.com
Actually, we’re the BEST in the nation for communicating with our members!

National CASE

(Council of Administrators of Special Education)

Communication Award

2020

2021
G-CASE is one of the founding organizations for the Georgia Dyslexia Collaborative, a group representing school and system-level leadership, along with teachers, SLPs, and School Psychologists preparing for the implementation of the new SST/Dyslexia State Board Rule. Three Drive-In Conferences held across the state will be held this Fall on this important and timely topic!
This June, G-CASE welcomed 30 teachers to take part in our newest initiative—the Special Education Administrator Development Academy (ADA) -- providing training based on CEC/CASE curriculum standards for teachers interested in becoming future special education leaders.
Coming in January…

A special Drive-In Conference for Coordinators, Program Managers/Specialists:

So you think you want to be a Special Education Director!

Registration begins in early December!
G-CASE:
Leadership
Professional Learning
Advocacy
Communication
Research and Innovation
and Support...
to improve services
to children with special needs
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Join with your Fall Conference registration!