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Announcements

The latest news and information from around the country.

Legislative Announcements

Confirmation of Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Bob Pasternack, Director of Special Education for the State of New Mexico, was confirmed on July 19th as Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services for the U.S. Department of Education.

President Bush on the ADA

<http://www.jfanow.org/jfanow/archive.php?mode=A&id=1302>

The Justice For All listserv announced two recent statements by President Bush regarding the ADA's 11th Anniversary.

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The Resource Zone

Other National Resources

A Place at the Table: Struggles for Equality in America (2000)

Teaching Kit

http://www.tolerance.org/teach/resources/place_at_the_table.jsp

Free to educators only, this is a comprehensive video and text kit that explores the battle against intolerance and discrimination. Includes a 40-minute video, a student textbook, and detailed lesson plans.

Leveling the Playing Field: Technology as an Equalizer in Education, Transition to Careers, and Daily Life

Summary

<http://www.aypf.org/publications/levelingfield.pdf>

Summary of a forum series.

National PTA National Standards for Parent/Family Involvement Programs (1997)

Standards

http://www.pta.org/archive_article_details_1118251710359.html

Includes standards, quality indicators, sample applications, and a Checklist for Quality Indicators with self-evaluations to help schools examine the current status of parent and family involvement. Provided in six languages to help reach out to and involve diverse families.

Operation Respect: Don't Laugh at Me Curriculum (2000)

Curriculum

<http://www.dontlaugh.org>

Working to transform schools, camps and other youth organizations into more compassionate, safe, and respectful environments for children through the use of 3 separate curriculums. Receive a free set of materials by registering online.

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Get Wired!

Web Sites

National Center on Education, Disability, and Juvenile Justice (EDJJ)

<http://www.edjj.org/>

A collaborative research, training, technical assistance, and dissemination program focused on developing more effective responses to the needs of youth with disabilities in or those at-risk for involvement with the Juvenile Justice System.

Social Security Administration – Resources Toolkit Page

<http://www.socialsecurity.gov/work/ResourcesToolkit/resourcestoolkit.html>

A helpful and thorough page at the Social Security Web site that outlines the differences between Social Security Disability Income (SSDI), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Work Incentives, and the Ticket to Work and Incentives Improvement Act.

Listservs

Disabled Student Services in Higher Education (DSSHE-L)

<http://listserv.buffalo.edu/archives/dsshe-l.html>

This listserv promotes sharing of information among providers of services for student with disabilities in higher education.

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