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Dear Future Educating All Students with Excellence (EASE) Conference Participants:

Join us for the EASE Conference 2018. The most comprehensive conference on special education ever hosted by Broward County Public Schools!

Broward County Public Schools' Division of Exceptional Student Learning Support invites you to the first annual **Educating All Students with Excellence (EASE) conference** - an innovative and engaging day of professional development focused on inclusion. **EASE will be held on Friday, October 5, 2018, at Pompano Beach High School, Pompano Beach, Florida from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

EASE is being held during Florida's Disability History and Awareness Weeks. This inaugural event is designed to bring parents, school administrators, general and special education teachers, and service providers together for a day filled with informative, educational and awareness-building sessions on a broad range of special education topics that promote inclusive practices for students with disabilities. The theme of this flagship convening is "*Promoting Inclusive Practices for Students with Disabilities.*"

This conference will feature two nationally recognized keynote speakers, several guest speakers, breakout sessions, exhibitors and more! Conference attendees can choose from a variety of concurrent interactive sessions and presentations from both practitioners and thought leaders in the field.

Parents can expect to leave better prepared to advocate for their child's success in school and will have the opportunity to participate in sessions that will help them understand how to navigate the special education process from pre-kindergarten through transition to postsecondary. Session topics include but are not limited to: child find, parental rights, specially-designed instruction, and behavior management.

School Administrators can expect to gain insight from leading special education experts on promoting inclusive school environments, coupled with evidence-based practices, data collection and data-based decision making. Sessions are designed to provide awareness and evidence-based practices to improve the academic and behavioral outcomes for all students.

General and Special Education Teachers and service providers can expect to participate in sessions that inform and support their work with children with special needs and their families. EASE also offers significant opportunities to connect with other professionals and exchange ideas, resources, and practices.

The registration cost of \$50 includes:

- Continental Breakfast
- Lunch
- Two Keynote Presentations by Nationally Recognized Speakers
- Expertly Led Breakout Sessions and Printed Materials
- A wealth of information designed to promote Educating All Students with Excellence



Educating All Students *with Excellence*
Supporting Students with Differences

All registered participants will be engaged, inspired, and empowered as they gain strategies which promote academic and behavioral achievement of students with mild, moderate and significant disabilities. By the end of the day, participants can expect to leave transformed and ready to return to their school communities prepared with new and effective instructional and behavioral strategies.

For questions about the conference, how to become a partner, or for vendor information, please contact our event management team: Axum Management Capabilities, Inc. Andrea JohnBaptiste at EASE@axumhq.com; 954-742-9166.

Please visit www.EASEconference.com frequently for updates and to register.

Thank you,



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