

ETL LEADERSHIP FORUM

Tuesday, October 6, 2015, 1:15 – 2:45pm

1. Welcome to the 2015-2016 Shore ETL Leadership Forums

- ✓ Use of the modified “Vegas Principle”
- ✓ Updated Meeting Schedule
- ✓ “*Guidelines for Conflict Management in Special Education*” ... Handout Booklet
- ✓ “*2014-2015 ETL Notes*” ... Handout Booklet

2. Technical Assistance Advisory SPED 2016-1: Time-Out and Seclusion

- ✓ Key Changes become effective on January 1, 2016

3. Some “Proactive” Points to Remember as we Start a New School Year ... (source: LRP)

- ✓ Use Care/Clarity When Preparing Prior Written Notice
- ✓ Consensus v. “Majority Vote” at Team Meetings
- ✓ Dealing with “Outbursts” at Team Meetings
- ✓ Can a Team Member Wear Multiple Hats?
- ✓ Predetermination: “Take It or Leave It!”
- ✓ A Few Tips on Documenting Team Meetings
- ✓ Confirming that Staff Understand How to Implement IEPs
- ✓ Abruptly Ending and IEP Meeting

4. District Issues/Concern

5. On Independent Education Evaluations ...

- ✓ Requests for an IEE in an Area that was Not Assessed ... OSEP “*Dear Colleague*” Letter
- ✓ Restricting the Use of Age/Grade Equivalent Scores on IEEs and Preventing Recommendations for Use of Specific Methodologies/Materials in IEE Reports ... OSEP “*Dear Colleague*” Letter
- ✓ MA ASE Survey Results Specific to IEE Rates

6. Suggested Topics for November meeting ... note: meeting now scheduled for 11/10

7. Other ...

- ✓ “*Why does Special Education Have to Be Special*” ... Dr. Douglas Green, EdWeek, 7/15
- ✓ “*Top 10 Trends in Special Education*” ... Will Gordillo, The Science of Learning Blog, 1/15
- ✓ “*Every Child Achieves Act of 2015*” ... Overview (still on hold!)

**Next ETL Leadership Forum:
Tuesday, November 10, 2015**