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15 Big Ideas for Increasing the Learning and Achievement of Students with Disabilities

Wednesday, January 31 8:30-3:30

Guest Presenter: John O'Connor

The Superintendent calls you in for a meeting and says, *"We are doing so many wonderful things in our district, but we must increase the learning and achievement of students with disabilities. What should we do?"*

Do you have an answer? Are you ready for that conversation?

During this session participants will be provided 15 Big Ideas to do just that - help you enhance the performance of students with disabilities.

Topics include:

Providing G.R.E.A.T. instruction for all students as a part of Tier 1 instruction

- Effective Co-Teaching
- Developing the master schedule to support inclusive practices
- Engaging all students in all classes
- Defining specially designed instruction

The focus will be on students with IEPs who are served in the general curriculum classes. This session is designed for teachers, building administrators, instructional coaches, special education administrators and central office leaders.

John O'Connor

John O'Connor led school improvement initiatives at the state and local level during his 30 years in public education. He started his career as a special education teacher serving students with orthopedic impairments in elementary and middle schools. Since that time, he held a variety of administrative positions. For nine years while working at the Georgia Department of Education, he led state-wide initiatives to improve the achievement and learning of students with disabilities. He also served in district leadership positions in local districts.

John has written five books, including his most recent, the 2nd Edition of Great Instruction Great Achievement for Students with Disabilities: A Road Map for Special Education Administrators. He also co-wrote a textbook chapter, a desk guide and numerous articles.

John has presented to over 500 school, district, state, and national audiences.

There is no charge for this class to our member districts, click [HERE](#) to register.