



SPOTLIGHT

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## NEWS THIS MONTH

January, 2025: National Braille Literacy Month  
Jan. 20, 2025: Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
Jan. 23, 2025: Ed Roberts Day

## UPCOMING PD

Jan. 21, 2024: Inclusive Practices in Early Education  
Register here: [Link](#)  
Jan. 28, 2025: Directors' Collaborative  
Register here: [Link](#)  
Feb. 12, 2024: Co-Teaching  
Register here: [Link](#)

## Coalition 4 Access

The Coalition 4 Access (C4A) met on December 10, 2024 to continue the discussion on how to increase the inclusion and belonging for students in Los Angeles County. The team discussed legislation and case law involving inclusion and how those decisions affect us now. [\[Continued\]](#)

### DIFFERENTIATED ASSISTANCE CONVENING

The Los Angeles County Office of Education is proud to have its 2nd annual Differentiated Assistance Convening in Pasadena on February 5-7, 2025. This event is dedicated to effective support systems for every student.

For more information click [here](#).

### VERY SPECIAL ARTS FESTIVAL

The Music Center's 46th annual Very Special Arts Festival will occur on May 2, 2025. Registration is available [here](#).

The Music Center and the Los Angeles County Office of Education are co-sponsoring three districts with a free resident artist.

For more information click [here](#).

### OSEP GUIDANCE ON FBAS

The Office of Special Education and Programs released new guidance on: Using Functional Behavioral Assessments to Create Supportive Learning Environments: [Link](#)

A recording of the webinar and a copy of the slide deck will be released here at a future date: [Link](#)

## CALIFORNIA CENTER FOR INCLUSIVE COLLEGE (CCIC)

LACOE's Division of Special Education is proud to announce that it has been co-awarded with Sacramento County Office of Education a \$2 million per year ongoing 5-year grant to establish an Inclusive College Technical Assistance Center. The California Center for Inclusive College (CCIC) Grant purpose is to build, extend, enhance, and sustain programs that deliver inclusive postsecondary programs for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities across California, including participation in college classes, internships, housing, and social experiences that will result in beneficial outcomes for all. The center will facilitate collaboration between LEAs and Institutions of Higher Education to assist SWDs and their families in postsecondary planning and identifying funding and financial assistance opportunities. Starting in 2024-2025, the center will convene a workgroup of inclusive college programs and other partners to strengthen statewide efforts for inclusive education.

