

Attend the ODSS Fall Conference!

The Oklahoma Directors of Special Services' Fall Conference takes place on **Thursday and Friday, October 24 & 25, at the NCED Conference Center and Hotel in Norman**. As always, ODSS is presenting a conference packed with materials and information that special and general education administrators and teachers can take back to their districts for immediate use.

On Thursday morning, following a state-level update from Dr. Rene Axtell and other SDE-SES staff members, Dr. Melody Musgrove, Director of DOE's Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), will discuss special education from a national perspective. On Thursday afternoon, participants can choose either the small/medium district or medium/large district breakout strand, designed to help administrators and teachers overcome obstacles to greater inclusion of students with disabilities in the general education curriculum and classroom and develop strategies and schedules to improve inclusive practices at both the elementary and secondary levels.

On Friday, nationally-known special education and RtI consultant Carol Kosnitsky, author of LRP's *IEP Goals that Make a Difference: An Administrator's Guide to Improving the Process*, will present "**Connecting the Dots: Aligning IEPs to Common Core.**" Ms. Kosnitsky will help both teachers and administrators understand how to develop meaningful IEPs aligned to the Oklahoma Academic Standards. Remember, all Oklahoma IEPs are expected to align with the OAS by the 2014-15 school year.

The link to the Conference Agenda and Registration Form is found below. We'll see you there!

<http://www.ccosa.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/Professional%20Development%7CSpecial%20Education>

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