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FLORIDA CASE 2026 Winter Leadership Institute

January 20-22, 2026

Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs
350 Northlake Blvd
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701-5297

Florida CASE Winter Leadership Institute 2026

“Celebrating 50 Years of IDEA-Honor the Past and Shape the Future”

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2026

1:00 - 1:15 PM	Welcome- Ms. Barbara Johns, President and Dr. Rosalind Hall, Past President
1:15- 2:15 PM	Julie Weatherly Esq- Special Education Law Update: What’s Going on in Washington and in the courts?
2:25-3:00 PM	Refreshment Break/Meet Our Vendors/Gallery Walk
3:00-4:30 PM	Julie Weatherly Esq- Florida Education Law Update- Part 2
4:30 PM	Adjourn

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2026

7:00- 8:00AM	Breakfast Buffet
8:00-8:15 AM	Welcome- Ms Barbara Johns, President and Dr. Rosalind Hall, Past President
8:15-9:15 AM	Dr. Manny Ferrer, Keynote Speaker “Be the Advocate: 50 Years of IDEA.”
9:30-10:00AM	Refreshment Break/ Meet Our Vendors/Gallery Walk
10:00-11:25AM	Amy Pitch Esq “Florida ESE Law and Effective Interventions to Decrease Liability”
11:30-12:45PM	Luncheon
1:00-2:00 PM	Amy Pitsch “Florida ESE Law and Effective Interventions to Decrease Liability” Part 2
2:00-2:30 PM	Break/Networking/Meet Our Vendors
2:30-4:00 PM	Dr. Dawn Clayton “ESE Discipline Procedures to Avoid Legal Mistakes”
4:00PM	Adjourn

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2026

7:00AM - 8:00 AM	Breakfast Buffet
8:00 AM- 8:15 AM	Welcome- Dr. Rosalind Hall, Past President
8:15 – 9:15 AM	John Cerra, Florida Bills & New Legislation
9:15- 9:45 AM	Break/Check-Out

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2026 (Continued)

9:45 - 11:45 AM	Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services (BEESS)- Ms Patricia Bodified, Bureau Chief and Dr. Andrew Weatherill, Director of the Bureau of Student Support Services at FDOE.
11:45-11:50 AM	Grand Prize Giveaway
11:50-12:00 Noon	Closing remarks- Ms. Barbara Johns, President & Dr. Rosalind Hall, Past President
12:00 Noon	Adjourn

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Florida CASE Summer Leadership Institute
June 8-11, 2026
Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort and Spa

