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Washington Update**

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**Special
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Legislative
Summit 2019**

Arlington, VA | July 7-10, 2019

**Ohio
Team
2018: 8
2019: ?**

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July 7-10, 2019
Marriott Gateway
Crystal City, VA

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2ND JOINT CONFERENCE
CASE/NASDSE
Louisville, Kentucky
 Racing Together Toward a Brighter Future **2019**
October 27-29

Early Bird Registration is Now Open!

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Don't Forget the Conference Discount!

Great Instruction Great Achievement
 A Road Map for Special Education Administrators

Lucky 21
 A Guide to Special Education for General Education Teachers

To Order- Use Conference Order Form or go to www.casecec.org

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Dates to Remember

- **July 7-10, 2019** CASE/CEC Annual Legislative Leadership Summit, Crystal City, VA
- **October 27-29, 2019** CASE/NASDSE Joint Annual Conference, Louisville, KY
- **February 5-8, 2020** CEC Portland, OR

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Leadership Requires a Team...

**He who thinketh he leadeth and
hath no one following him is only
taking a walk....Chinese Proverb**



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**WORKING FOR
YOU**

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CASE STRATEGIC PLAN 2018 - 2020
CASE Mission: Provide leadership and support to members by **shaping policies and practices** that impact the quality of education.

**STRATEGIC GOAL 1:
(Leadership and Support)**
CASE will provide resources to implement and administer special education programs.

**STRATEGIC GOAL 2:
(Shaping Policies and Practices)**
CASE will be recognized as the voice of local special education administrators.

Communication	Objectives: A. Improve communication through technology; providing advocacy and policy updates, current resources and networking opportunities. B. Provide professional development activities and publications critical to the field. C. Develop standards for the field in special education administration. D. Develop and maintain strong state and provincial units.	Advocacy/Policy	Objectives: A. Develop and advocate for positions on critical issues, public policy and future legislation. B. Promote partnerships and member involvement with professional organizations, higher education, governmental agencies, etc. C. Promote increased membership and engagement in CASE and CEC leadership. D. Collect, analyze and disseminate research-based information on critical issues and best practices.
Education		Collaboration	
Standards		Membership	
Unit Support		Research	

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Case Policy and Legislation Committee

Since November, the Policy and Legislative Committee has accomplished the following:

- We have published our [Legislative Recommendations](#) for the 116th Congress. (New Format and New Look!)
- We officially made [our comments](#) in the Federal Register on the Public Charge issue on behalf of CASE.
- We [submitted a letter](#) to Assistant Secretary of Education, Johnny Collett regarding the issue of disproportionality.
- We received a [press release](#) from the US Department of Education regarding a new initiative around Restraint and Seclusion and [issued comments](#) related to this.
- We released [comments](#) on the school safety commission report.

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Case Policy and Legislation Committee

Signed on to the following letters:

- [A letter](#) urging the Trump Administration to halt and reject any attempt that seeks to define sex as “a person’s status as male or female based on immutable biological traits identifiable by or before birth.”
- [A letter](#) with our Non-Defense Discretionary colleagues.
- [A letter](#) in support of Title II spending.
- [A letter](#) in support of the RISE Act.
- [A letter](#) against the proposed Title IX regulations.

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CASE Working Partners ...

- **National Association of State Directors of Special Education:** NASDSE
- **Council of Chief State School Officers:** CCSSO
- **American Federation of Teachers:** AFT
- **National Education Association:** NEA
- **Council for Exceptional Children:** CEC
- **National Center for Learning Disabilities:** NCLD
- **Committee on Education Funding:** CEF

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CASE Working Partners....

- **National School Boards Association:** NSBA
- **National Center for Systemic Improvement:** NCSI
- **Collaboration for Effective Educator Development, Accountability and Reform:** CEEDAR
- **Council of School Attorneys-COSA**
- **National Association of School Psychologist:** NASP
- **NDDUnited :** Sequestration coalition
- **And many others...**

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Who's Who: 116th Congress

- **House of Representatives**
 - 235 Democrats (Majority party)
 - 197 Republicans
 - 3 vacancies (one each: disputed election, death, resignation)
- **Senate**
 - 53 Republicans (Majority party)
 - 45 Democrats
 - 2 Independents

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2020 Election – Yes, ALREADY!

- **PRESIDENT!** (collective “DUH!”)
- All members of House – Yes, AGAIN!
- **Senate**
 - 12 Democrats
 - 22 Republicans
- REMEMBER:** The “majority” party controls
 - All committee chairmanships.
 - The legislative agenda!

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116th: Key SpEd Policy Issues

- Teacher shortages
- School safety & positive school climate
- Mental health services & social-emotional learning
- Keeping public funds in public education
- Education FUNDING overall!

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Top Legislative Issues

- Increase education funding.
- Support bills to increase school mental health.
- Fully fund Title IV-A grants.
- Protect Medicaid, including school-based payments.
- Keep public funds in public education.

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One Example: Demonstration Grant (FY 2019)

- School Safety National Activities: \$10 million for Dept of Education demo grant.
- Partnerships between IHEs and high-needs States/districts to train MH professionals to provide school-based MH services to increase pipeline and meet shortages in low-income public schools.
- Dept. of Education determining grant criteria now.

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President's FY2020 Budget Proposal

- FY 2020 = 10/1/19-9/30/20 (SY 2020-21).
- *Lean and mean!*
- 12% CUT (\$8.5 billion) in Dept of ED.
"reduces the federal role in education, and prioritizes targeted investments in school safety, teacher quality, school choice, and workforce development."

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House Budget Proposal (Labor-HHS-Ed Appropriations)

- House subcommittee: overall +\$11.7 billion.
– IDEA: + \$1 billion across programs.
- Full Approps Committee action maybe next week with all specifics.
- Senate action: mid- to late- summer?
- Bottom line: House bill "busts" current cap.
– Congress has to act to waive budget caps!

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President on Education: FY 2020

- Eliminates 30+ ED programs, including:
 - ESSA Title IV block grant.
 - **Public Service Loan Forgiveness.**
 - Educator training/PD programs.
 - Full-Service Community Schools.
- Freezes IDEA and Title I.
- Cuts \$207 B. over 10 yrs in student loan programs.

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President's Budget: Big Winners

- "School Choice": \$50 B./10 yrs tax credit
 - Individual/corporate donations to state-authorized SGOs for private school tuition, afterschool tutoring, extra courses, and certain public school expenses.
- Safe Schools National Activities:
 - Requests increase of \$100 million.
 - Maybe a larger pot for the Demonstration Grant (previous slide)?

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Education Investment is Well Below 2011 Level in Inflation-Adjusted Terms

(Department of Education Discretionary Funding in Billions of Dollars)

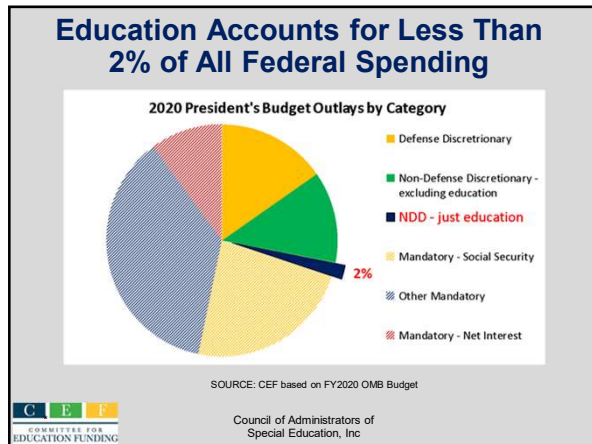


2017, 2019, & 2020 totals reflect rescissions of Pell grant funds

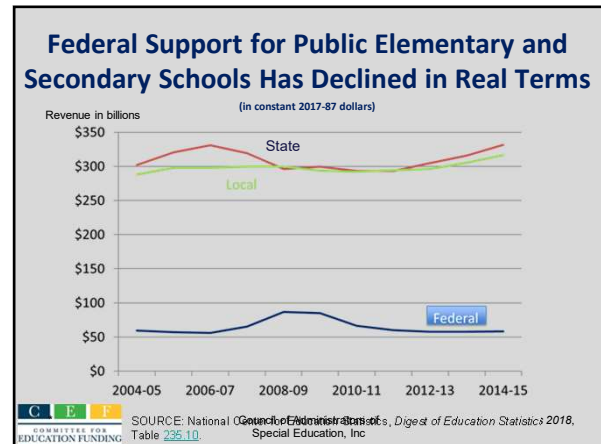
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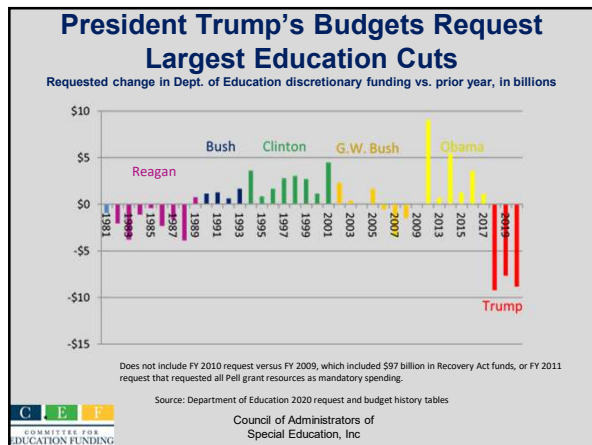
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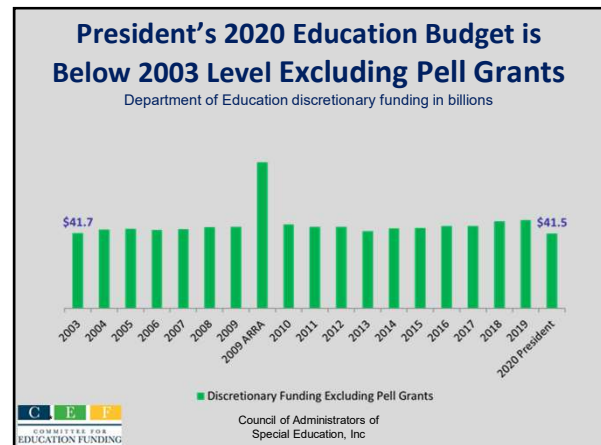
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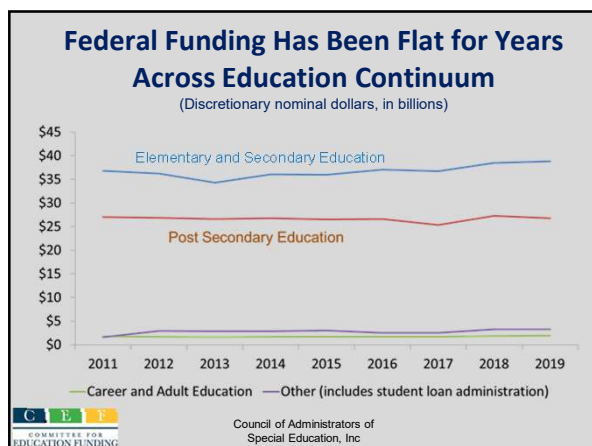
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How Can YOU Help?

I'm so glad you asked.....!

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What's HOT: DC in July!

- COME TO DC: CASE/CEC Special Education Legislative Summit!
– July 7-10, Marriott Gateway Crystal City

Register at:

<https://specialeducationlegislativesummit.org>

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DC in July? Did I say "it's HOT!"

- Learn from experts about federal budget and legislation.
- Meet members of Congress and staff.
- Network with education colleagues.
- Learn how to replicate this process back "home" the other 361 days of the year!
- Have some fun!

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What Else Can YOU Do? ADVOCATE!

- Local, State, and federal levels
 - In DC directly AND in your home State/district
 - On ESSA State/local planning teams
 - With other SISP stakeholders.
- CASE "Action Alerts"
- Stay up through the CASE Weekly Update!

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**Remember...it MUST always be
the children!**

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