

Ohio Association of Supervisors and Coordinators for Exceptional Students, OASCES was organized in order to take a proactive role in the development and implementation of special education services in the State of Ohio.

- Since 1975 OASCES (pronounced "oasis") is recognized by the Ohio Office for Exceptional Children as a key organization involved in the shaping of special education program and services.
- OASCES has a working relationship with the Office of Exceptional Children
- Representation on State Task Forces surrounding issues on Special Education.

Examples include

- ◆ State Work Group On Transition
- ◆ Caseload Survey
- ◆ Guidance Document
- ◆ Transition Form
- OASCES is an affiliated member of the Ohio Coalition of Children with Disabilities.
- OASCES has representation on the Ohio Coalition of Children with Disabilities Board
- OASCES maintains a working relationship with Ohio ACTE/SND whom we partner with to provide an annual conference.

## **OASCES MEMBERSHIP**

There are three (3) levels of membership:

### **REGULAR MEMBER**

Regular membership is open to any person certified/licensed in Special Education in the State of Ohio and serving in the capacity of supervisor, coordinator, or TTW service provider.

### **ASSOCIATE MEMBER**

Associate membership is open to any professionally certified educator, employed in the State of Ohio, who is serving students with disabilities.

### **RETIRED MEMBER**

Retired membership is open to past association members in full retirement or on temporary leave.

### **MEMBER BENEFITS**

- State Newsletter, "The Quarterly.
- Participation in regional conferences focusing on current issues in special education.
- Annual State Conference. (An ideal opportunity for professional development.)
- Representation on state-level committees concerning Special Education issues.
- Opportunities to network with colleagues from across the state.
- Access to a free e-mail list service focusing on Special Education issues in the State of Ohio.
- Web Page <<http://www.oasc.es.org>>

So, please take a few moments and join the OASCES. You will be more professionally connected and the organization will be more representative of our profession.

To join, mail a completed membership application along with a check made out to "OASCES" for your membership dues to:

Carol Kline  
OASCES Treasurer  
Warren County ESC

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If you have any questions about membership in the organization, feel free to contact our membership chairperson, Pam Ham by via e-mail at ([lowes50@aol.com](mailto:lowes50@aol.com))

### **OASCES LIST SERVICE**

An added benefit of membership in OASCES is the optional list service. There are currently over 200 Association members that subscribe to this service. This E-mail communication system gives members the opportunity to professionally network at the speed of the internet. It is an excellent way for Special Education professionals in Ohio to stay well informed.

If participation in the list service interests you, simply check the appropriate box on your membership application. As long as your membership in OASCES remains current, your subscription to the list service will remain active. If at a later date you choose to no longer participate in the list service, a simple email will remove you from the list but the change will not affect your other OASCES membership benefits.



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