



## Weekly Memo

### Action Items

#### **Program Accountability, Assessment, & Data Systems (PAADS) SurveyMonkey Link**

The PAADS team has distributed a SurveyMonkey link to all ESE directors to collect essential data regarding Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)-funded state projects. Each local education agency should submit one response only to ensure accurate and unduplicated reporting. Complete and submit the survey by **June 1, 2025**.

### Professional Learning

#### **2025 Summer Training Institute on Autism**

Educators, service providers, families, students and all individuals with an interest in autism are welcome to participate in this virtual three-day Training Institute on Autism on **June 17-19, 2025**. The Training Institute is designed to prepare attendees to understand the social communication, behavioral and learning characteristics of children and adults with autism spectrum disorder. Attendance is at no cost, but registration for each individual day is required. Visit the [2025 Summer Training Institute on Autism](#) web page for more information and registration instructions.

### Informational Items

#### **Restraint Data for April 2025 is Now Available**

April 2025 data for restraint incidents submitted to the Involuntary Examination, Restraint, and Seclusion (known as IERS) web application is now available. The data have been posted to the [Program Accountability, Assessments & Data Systems web page](#) and can be located by scrolling down to the section titled "SWD Restraint Data – SY 2024-25," and selecting the appropriate month. Pursuant to section 1003.573(8), Florida Statutes, "The department shall maintain aggregate data of incidents of restraint and disaggregate the data for analysis by county, school,

student exceptionality, and other variables, including the type and method of restraint used. This information shall be updated monthly, deidentified, and made available to the public through the department's website."

### **The Institute of Small and Rural Districts (ISRD) New Website**

ISRD is thrilled to announce the launch of a [new website](#) that features enhanced functionalities and a wealth of additional resources, with new content being added continuously.

### **LRP DirectSTEP® Courses**

BEESS is pleased to offer districts access to a variety of LRP DirectSTEP® courses regarding ESE compliance requirements. Access to LRP DirectSTEP® courses is provided to further strengthen the quality and variety of services available to eligible students with disabilities in the state of Florida. This year several courses have been added to the list of available professional learning opportunities. Please plan to utilize this resource throughout your district by integrating it into your professional learning program. These building-capacity opportunities can be done individually, especially if you have a new ESE staffing specialist or teacher, but they can also be done in a group-style setting. You are encouraged to forward the attached documents to staff within your district. When a district or project cannot remember their login, they should contact the Special Ed Connection Help Desk at 800-515-4577 ext. 6303, or [specialconnection@lrp.com](mailto:specialconnection@lrp.com).

- Filename: FDOE LRP Instructions
- Filename: DirectSTEP LRP Courses Available 2025

## **Tip of the Week**

### **Encourage General Education and Special Education Teachers to Collaborate.**

Provide opportunities for a student's general education teacher and special education teacher to meet and collaborate on a regular basis. They can use that time to discuss the student's progress and identify new or emerging issues to bring up at the next IEP meeting. ([Special Ed Connection®](#))

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