

DC Special Education Co-operative

helping charter schools to build and maintain their special education programs

BECOME A CO-OP MEMBER TODAY

MEMBER BENEFITS

- technical assistance for your staff (helpline, web-based, member email lists)
- advocacy on special education issues
- weekly e-newsletter with policy updates, compliance tips, articles on issues in special education, resources for teachers & up-to-date news from OSSE's Special Education Office
- access to events calendar and member's only sections of the CO-OP's website
- webinar series – topics including: special education 101, differentiating instruction, special education policy & compliance , behavior management, and transition
- access to Medicaid billing (a member's only fee-for-service)
- member discounts for all fee-for-service work (for complete list www.specialedcoop.org)
- a voice in setting the agenda for the CO-OP. All member schools designate someone from their leadership team to sit on the CO-OP's Board of Directors

IN THE WORKS

- **The Satellite Classroom Project** will develop expanded special education service options for students with high intensity needs in member schools.
- **The Shared Services Project** provides special education services (related, LEGAL, and instructional to member schools at **nonprofit rates**.
- **Parents as Partners Project** will help member schools collaborate effectively with parents of students with disabilities.
- **CONNECT@COOP** will allow member schools to deliver critical information to parents, teachers, and students through webinar technology.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Successfully organized an advocacy campaign around OSSE's changes to the DCMR
- Developed excellent working relationships with Office of Special Education staff
- Initiated working groups to address: Special Education & the DC-CAS, New Charter Responsibilities for Students Placed into Nonpublics
- Successfully billed Medicaid for charter schools, recovering tens of thousands of dollars
- Reviewed all member schools' enrollment applications for compliance with state policy and trained 25 school representatives
- Provided superior technical assistance to all 26 member LEAs



Work together. Be successful. Join the Co-operative today.

SY 2010-2011 DUES: \$2500 (100 or more total enrollment)
\$1200 (99 or less total enrollment)

To join, complete the attached membership application and email to jcamerata@specialedcoop.org | 202.903.6883 | www.specialedcoop.org