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# CASE BOARD REPORT

## Administrator Academies

Administrator Academy #1762

**Leading Restorative Practices at Your School, Dr. Matthew Epperley**

October 18, 2023: IAASE 2023 Fall Conference in Tinley Park, Illinois

November 9, 2023: IPA Virtual AA Event

January 25, 2024: AP/Dean Summit in Effingham, Illinois

April 17, 2024: IPA Virtual AA Event



Administrator Academy #3940

**A Collaborative Culture: The Secret to Growing a Positive Climate & Retaining Special Education Staff, Dr. Mary Furbush & Tricia Sharkey**

Monday December 11, 2023

## GECC- The Season of Giving

GECC provides services to families at the Outreach House on Giving Tuesday on November 28, 2023. CASE's very own GECC members, Araceli Chavez and Myrrha Kinkie provide access to resources such as children's books to help newcomers achieve long-term goals that they may have for their children. In addition, Myrrha uses her knowledge of six languages to communicate with a variety of families to help them learn more about the parenting resources available through several programs that are supported by CASE, GPAT and GECC.



## CASE Learning about Selective Mutism

After many inquiries from CASE and district special education staff over the past two years, speech-language pathologists Nikki Norman and Tricia Sharkey answered the call for information on Selective Mutism. On November 28, Tricia and Nikki presented to CASE and district staff on Selective Mutism. The prevalence of students in our buildings with a diagnosis of Selective Mutism is currently 1 in 140. This is an anxiety-based disorder that significantly impacts academic and social success. Diagnosis and treatment for students with Selective Mutism is transdisciplinary and requires teamwork and collaboration.



# ESY Updates:



**Dates: June 4-July 2**

***Location: Lombard District 44***

**Manor Hill Elementary School  
&  
John Schroeder Early Childhood Center**

## **The Foundation for Hearing and Speech Resources (FHSR)**

CASE hearing itinerant Jamie Davidson volunteers her time as a board member for the Foundation for Hearing and Speech Resources (FHSR) here in the Chicagoland area. Jamie and her team raised over \$50,000 for loaner hearing aids. The Foundation for Hearing and Speech Resources was able to donate loaner hearing aids to pediatric clinics across the suburbs. Thank you Jamie, for representing CASE and supporting the children in our communities.

