

The CENTER for LEARNING DIFFERENCES

and WHITE PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL PRESENT

LifeAfterHighSchool

A COLLEGE CONFERENCE FOR FAMILIES AND PROFESSIONALS DEALING WITH CHILDREN WHO LEARN DIFFERENTLY.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2008
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
WHITE PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL
550 North Street, WHITE PLAINS, NY

Featured Speakers:

➤ **Jo Anne Simon, Esq.**

“Standardized Testing: The Stakes are High and So is the Anxiety”

➤ **Christina Bertsch**

Former Director of Disability Services at Fordham University
President, CCB Educational Consulting Corp.

➤ **Jean Baldassare**

Director of Disability Services at Manhattanville College

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Colleges with nationally recognized programs for students who learn differently, including: *(list in formation and subject to change)*

- **Mitchell College (Connecticut)**
- **University of Arizona SALT Center**
- **NY Institute of Technology (VIP Program)**
- **Sacred Heart University (Connecticut)**
- **Fairleigh Dickinson University (NJ)**
- **Lynn University (Florida)**
- **Manhattanville College**

Hear from our experts and have the opportunity to meet individually with college representatives. There is no fee for this program, but space is limited and [registration is required](#).

Hear what families had to say about our 2007 program:

“It was much more than a college fair. It was wonderful to become aware of the programs”

“This conference was truly wonderful! I loved that the programs were diversified and served different audiences and student profiles”

“I thought this program was fantastic – very informative and motivational”



Program Schedule

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast and registration

9:00 – 9:15 a.m.

Welcome and Introductions

9:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Jo Anne Simon, Esq.

“ Standardized Testing: The Stakes are High and the Anxiety is Higher”

Ms. Simon is a nationally recognized champion of the rights of students with disabilities. She is currently the President of the New York City branch of the International Dyslexia Association and is an Adjunct Assistant Professor at Fordham University School of Law. The author of numerous legal and professional articles, Ms. Simon recently testified before the U.S. Senate on amendments to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Christina Bertsch and Jean Baldassare

“What Every Student and Parent Needs to Know About Choosing a College, the Application Process, and Maximizing College Success”

Christina Bertsch is the former Director of Disability Services at Fordham University and currently is President of CCB Educational Consulting Corp., which assists students with disabilities in the college selection and application process. Jean Baldassare is a former high school guidance counselor who has worked exclusively with students with disabilities for over twenty years. She is presently the Director of Disability Services at Manhattanville College.

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch on Premises

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Presentations from College Representatives

2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Opportunity to Meet Individually with College Representatives