



## SPECIAL EDUCATION TASKFORCE

*The End of the IEP Diploma: Proposed Regulation to Establish a New Credential*

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Over the past four years, the State Education Department (SED) and the Board of Regents have been examining ways to create an exiting credential to replace the IEP Diploma. This Task Force has actively commented on prior proposals relating to this issue. In September, the Board of Regents approved a proposed measure to repeal the IEP diploma and establish a new credential to be known as the *Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential*. SED has proposed an amendment to the current regulations relating to this issue and is considering public comments received by mid-November. This training/think tank will provide a brief overview of the history of the proposed changes to diploma options for students with disabilities and a summary of the proposed regulation, followed by discussion of the pros and cons of the proposed changes. For those interested, a collaboratively-developed Public Comment will be drafted to submit to SED and the Board of Regents.

**DATE:** Friday, November 4, 2011

**Time:** 12:30 - 2:30 pm

**Place:** Colonie Town Library

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