



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
EDUCATIONAL TRANSLATORS AND
INTERPRETERS OF SPOKEN LANGUAGES



NAETISL Northeast Regional Chapter Conference



Federation for Children
with Special Needs

Saturday, October 18, 2025

AGENDA

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM EST

WELCOME AND CHECK-IN

8:00 - 9:00 AM EST | Federation for Children with Special Needs and NAETISL

KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

9:00 - 10:00 AM EST | Diana Santiago
Legal Director, Massachusetts
Advocates for Children (MAC)

10:00 - 11:00 AM EST | Juanita Halepas
State Certified Court Interpreter
*"We Are One But Different:
Educational and Judiciary
Interpretation"*

BREAK

11:00 - 11:15 AM EST | Refreshments & Networking

11:15 - 12:00 PM EST | Cambria Russell, Ph.D.
Associate Executive Director
Federation for Children with Special
Needs
*"Say What? Interpreting in Special
Education"*



LUNCH BREAK

12:00 - 1:00 PM EST | Lunch & Networking

5 ATA credits, 5.5 CCHI and
0.8 IMIA/NBCMI credits

SCHRAFFT'S CITY CENTER
529 MAIN ST #1M3, BOSTON, MA 02129

FREE PARKING!

 OCTOBER 18, 2025
 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM EST

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NOW!



ATTEND LIVE:
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ATTEND ONLINE:
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1:00 - 2:00 PM EST

Breanna Higgins
Targeted Assistant Manager,
MA Department of Elementary and
Secondary Education

and

Aceriane Leal
Director of Outreach and Engagement
Federation for Children with Special
Needs

*"From 'Lost in Translation' to Meaningful
Participation: How Language Access
Transforms Education"*

2:00 - 2:45 PM EST

Georgiana Murnaghan
American Sign Language Interpreter
*"Visual Interpreting: What Does It
Look Like?"*

BREAK

2:45 - 3:00 PM EST | Refreshments & Networking

3:00 - 4:00 PM EST | Brenda Melara
Family Engagement Specialist

and

Sabrina D. Marsh, Director
Louisiana Statewide Family Engagement
Center

"Understanding Diverse Learners"

SKILL-BUILDING ACTIVITY WITH THE NAETISL TEAM

4:00 - 5:15 PM EST | Glossary-Building and Interpreting
Practice

CLOSING REMARKS, RAFFLE & AWARDS CEREMONY

5:15 - 6:00 PM EST | Federation for Children with Special
Needs and NAETISL

Our Speakers



Diana
Santiago



Juanita
Halepas



Cambria
Russell



Breanna
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