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**TO:** Directors, Exceptional Children Programs  
Directors, Human Resources  
Select Institutions of Higher Education  
Select Charter School Representatives

**FROM:** William J. Hussey, Director  
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**SUBJECT: RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF SPECIAL EDUCATORS SUMMIT**

The Exceptional Children Division is pleased to announce the third Recruitment and Retention of Special Educators Summit which will be held at Elon University on Friday, February 24, 2017 from 8:30-4:00. The Director of Exceptional Children and the Director of Human Resources (or a designee) should work together to identify a school Principal to attend with them as a team.

Regional groups will identify key issues related to recruitment and retention of special educators faced by LEAs, DPI, and the Institutions of Higher Education. Innovative strategies to address these issues will be shared. Working in regional teams, an action plan specific to each LEA's needs will be developed and reviewed to incorporate the strategies learned during the summit. Each LEA will leave equipped with a plan to implement which will help with both retention and recruitment of special and general educators.

Registration will be online through <http://2017recruitmentandretentionsummitt.eventbrite.com>. The registration deadline is February 8, 2017. Upon registration, attendees will be provided with a campus map and agenda. Breakfast and lunch will be included.

If you have any questions, please contact Carol Moffitt at 919-807-3997 or [carol.moffitt@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:carol.moffitt@dpi.nc.gov).

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