



Heidi Brett Baker is a Senior Associate at Public Consulting Group (PCG) responsible for coordinating the PCG Pre-Employment Transition Service (Pre-ETS) Project as well as supporting PCG's Project Success Resource Center. Through the Pre-ETS project, Heidi works in partnership with local school districts and vocational rehabilitation departments in Indiana and Mississippi to provide employment transition services to students with disabilities. As a member of PCG's Project Success Resource Center team. Heidi supports efforts to develop and deliver professional development to state departments of education and local school districts focused on the integration of academic standards, functional skills, curriculum, and assessments to improve outcomes for students with disabilities.

Expertise

- · Special education instructional practices and curriculum development
- Transition to work processes
- Supports for students with intense needs (including positive behavior supports)
- Positive behavior supports
- · Assistive technology

Experience

Heidi is a passionate educator who has dedicated her career to supporting students with disabilities, positioning them to achieve positive outcomes. She has 35 years of experience at elementary, secondary, and post-secondary levels supporting a continuum of services. Throughout her career, Heidi has served as a teacher, principal, instructional director, and director of special education in Indiana, Illinois, and Ohio school districts. For the past 10 years, Heidi has taught graduate school courses in special education, working at the higher education level to help develop the next generation of special education teachers.

Presentations

- The Pre-ETS Journey. Indiana Institute on Disability and Community (IIDC) Virtual Transition Conference: Facing the Future Together: July 2021
- The Journey Begins! Transitioning to Life after High School. Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) Virtual Transition Conference: Dream It, Plan It, Do It!: March 2021
- Designing Professional Development for Teachers of Students with Significant Needs. Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence (OCALI) Annual Conference: November 2019
- The 1% CAN do it! SXSW EDU: March 2018
- Students with Disabilities Create Models for Money Management Utilizing Software. Midwestern Psychological Association Annual Meeting: May 2015

Professional Networks

- Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)
- Indiana Council of Administrators of Special Education (ICASE)
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Certifications

Heidi holds the following licenses in Ohio and Indiana:

- · Administration-Principal
- Superintendent
- · Director of Special Education

Education

Heidi has a Bachelor's degree in General and Special Education from Purdue University Calumet, a Master's degree in School Leadership and Administration from Xavier University, and is finishing her Doctorate of Education in Special Education at the University of Cincinnati.

To learn more about Heidi Brett Baker and other PCG Subject Matter Experts, contact us today!

