



THE DIVISION FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD

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DEC Recognizes Jennifer Annable's Accomplishments

Jennifer Annable is the 2010 recipient of DEC's *Rose C. Engel Award for Excellence in Professional Practice*. This special award is given to honor Rose C. Engel, DEC's first President, whose leadership has shaped DEC as an organization. Recipients meet the high standards of professional practice set by Rose Engel.

Jennifer is currently the Executive Director of the Academy of Precision Learning. Prior to that, she served as the principle of the Experimental Education Unit (EEU at the University of Washington for 25 years.

In her professional career, Jennifer has acted as an advocate, mentor and practitioner. She promotes positive child and family outcomes through her commitment to inclusive practice and through collaboration with families and community members.

The Division for Early Childhood (DEC) is one of seventeen divisions of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) - the largest international professional organization dedicated to improving educational outcomes for individuals with exceptionalities, students with disabilities, and/or the gifted.

DEC and its members are committed to promoting parent-professional collaboration in all facets of planning, designing, and implementing early childhood intervention services. In addition, DEC advocates for policy, planning and best practice in prevention and intervention. DEC supports full access for young children with special needs and their families to natural settings and service delivery options. Respect for family values, diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds, and family circumstance are integral considerations in DEC's prevention and intervention efforts. Finally, DEC supports those who work with or on behalf of infants and young children with special needs and their families. For more information, visit DEC's web page at www.dec-sped.org

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