

## About The Council for Exceptional Children

The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) is the largest international professional organization dedicated to improving the educational success of individuals with disabilities and/or gifts and talents. For millions of children and their families, CEC is the acknowledged source for in-depth support and services. For teachers and administrators in special education, CEC is a community committed to educational excellence, professional development, advocacy, research, and caring for each other. For humanity at large, CEC is the driving force for educational inclusion of all children. And for you, CEC is the place where ***your visionary leadership can help shape the future of special education.***

### **Put your leadership skills to the test as our Executive Director. *Exciting opportunity to make a difference with a global force in the advancement of special education!***

With a 91-year history of remarkable success and nearly 30,000 members worldwide, CEC is enthusiastically looking ahead and seeks a proven professional to join us as Executive Director. ***If you are passionate and purposeful in your dedication to high-quality education for all children and possess the following qualifications, we would welcome your response.***

- Advanced degree in Special Education, Education or related field with Administration/Leadership experience, or advanced business-related degree with significant experience in administration and support of special education
- Prefer at least 10 years of relevant leadership experience that reflects measurable results for improved membership growth and engagement, financial well-being and awareness of and support for a mission
- Prefer at least five-plus years of academic, administration or government experience as a respected leader and voice for special education
- Strategic visionary skills honed from well-rounded leadership experience, commitment to life-long learning, and deep understanding of trends/policies affecting education on a global basis
- Proven financial management skills with ability to develop opportunities for new revenue streams, funding sources and cost efficiencies
- Proficiency in assessing talent needs for optimal organizational performance
- Demonstrated ability to build/leverage strategic partnerships to advance a mission and improve results
- Tenacious energy with an engaging, optimistic and collaborative manner that inspires confidence and facilitates consensus
- Active listening skills as part of effectively communicating with people representing widely diverse backgrounds and points-of-view
- Persuasive public speaking and writing abilities
- Strong commitment to leading with integrity, accountability, fairness and respect

If you are truly gifted at leading change, unifying people behind a mission, and pursuing opportunities for organizational growth, make your move to CEC. Along with competitive compensation and benefits, you'll find real support for your ideas and passion as our Executive Director. Please send your cover letter (must include compensation requirements) and resume in complete confidence to Carol Barber, Executive Screening Specialist, [carol.bwt@gmail.com](mailto:carol.bwt@gmail.com).