

## CASHA's Distinguished Service Award Winner of 2021

CASHA proudly awarded the Distinguished Service Award (DSA) of 2021 to CASHA member (and past conference presenter), Jackie Klein. Jackie was nominated by Grace Paster and the Winkler Center Team at the College of Saint Rose.

*According to her nominators, "Jackie has made significant contributions to our profession throughout her career. She has served as an integral part of shaping the next generation of Speech Language Pathologist in the graduate program at the College of Saint Rose. She has collaborated with, and trained colleagues in her role on the Cleft-Craniofacial team at Albany Medical Center. Most importantly, Jackie has touched the lives of so many children, adults, and families in her dedicated service to our profession."*

Jackie became a member of the Saint Rose community in 2007, serving in a number of positions, most recently as the Director of Clinical Services from 2014 - 2020. In this position, she oversaw all clinical operations of the Communication Sciences and Disorders (CSD) Department of the College, including the Pauline K. Winkler Center on-campus clinic, the TBI Waiver Program, the Council for Effective Communication, the Transgender Voice program, Early Intervention/Preschool Special Education, and all off-campus placements for undergraduate and graduate students.

When she came to the College, she brought her extensive experience with her, widening Saint Rose students' opportunity to work with a population --children with cranio-facial anomalies—that is so in need of trained professionals. She also coordinated our services with the "10,000 Words" program- a community outreach program providing speech/language and hearing screenings to underserved populations, as well as parent education to "our dear neighbors" in the Albany community. Jackie is also an adjunct instructor for Syracuse University, as well as at Saint Rose. Outside of The College, she has also contributed her knowledge and passion to Albany Medical Center since 2001 in different roles, and has been a member of the Cleft-Craniofacial Team since 2014.

Thank you, Jackie, for your dedication and distinguished service to children and adults with speech and language disorders, as well as for your commitment to CASHA!



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