



CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

Florida Council for Exceptional Children
"Rally on the River with Florida CEC"
2011 Annual Conference

NEW DEADLINE: MAY 31, 2011

The Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) would like to invite all interested persons to submit proposals for the 65th Annual FCEC Conference, hosted by **Jacksonville Chapter #75 with assistance from University of North Florida Student Chapter #277**, to be held at the **Crown Plaza Riverfront**, Jacksonville, FL, on October 20-22, 2011. The Conference will continue the collaborative efforts with school districts, universities, family organizations in Florida, and the Florida Association Student CEC. Together we will celebrate our mutual commitment to children and youth with special needs. There will be nine (9) strands highlighted this year. We encourage that all presentations target the specified topics listed under each strand.

Presentations shall be in one of the following formats:

Demonstration/Lecture Session: consists of an individual or group presentation to increase the knowledge of the participants with the expectation that the presenter will provide informational packets with the presentation. Time limitation for this type session is 50 minutes each.

Panel Session: consists of an oral presentation by three or more speakers intended to increase the level of awareness for the participants in a particular interest area with the expectation that the presenters will provide informational packets with the presentation. Time limitation for this type session is 50 minutes each.

Interactive Session: consists of an individual or group presentation to increase the knowledge of the participants through interactive information dissemination and activities with the expectation that the presenter will provide materials and informational packets with the presentation. Time limitation for this type session is 100 minutes.

Poster Sessions: consist of a display of various innovative strategies. Multiple poster sessions will be available for viewing with presenter interaction throughout the overall poster session timeslot. Presenters of poster sessions are expected to be available during the time allotment. Time limitation for this type session is 60 minutes each

2011 FCEC Conference Strands: 9 total

Strand 1: School Climate and Discipline **Suggested topics for sessions**

School-wide approaches
Positive behavioral support
Functional assessments of behavior
Behavior intervention plans
Research-validated practice
Prevention of bullying

Strand 2: Family/School Partnerships **Suggested topics for sessions:**

Developing trust, collaboration and partnerships
Involving families of students with disabilities
Parent education, training and resources
Families as faculty
Para educator training and support
Participation in statewide assessments
State parent information and support sources

Strand 3: School, District and State Administrative and Personnel Issues **Suggested topics for Sessions:**

Legal issues regarding the implementation of IDEA 2004
No Child Left Behind
State, District and School-Based accountability
Professional Development Partnerships
Teacher preparation and out-of-field teachers
Mentoring programs
Critical teacher shortages
Alternate certification
RACE TO THE TOP

Strand 4: Early Childhood **Suggested topics for sessions:**

Early Intervention
Collaboration between agencies and families
Effective learning strategies for young children
Child development
Assessment strategies for sensory impairments

Strand 5: Technology **Suggested topics for sessions:**

Professional development
Evidence-based practices in the classroom
Web-based distance learning

Strand 6: Curriculum and Instruction for Students with Exceptionalities:
especially: autism, sensory impairments, intellectual disabilities, multiple disabilities

Suggested topics for sessions:

Access, participation, progress in general curriculum
Effective instructional practices
School-to-work, career, vocational transition services
Appropriate accommodations
Alternate assessment and curriculum
Collaboration between special and general education
Participation in statewide assessments
Research-based practices in the classroom
RESPONSE TO INTERVENTION (RTI)

Strand 7: Culturally, Linguistically, and Socially Diverse Students with Exceptionalities

Suggested topics for sessions:

Urban Education Issues
Bilingual Issues and English Language Learners
Over/ under representation of minority students in exceptional education
Closing achievement gaps
Teaching for Social Justice
Strengths, Prevention, and Empowerment
Language and Literacy Learning in Multilingual Settings

Strand 8: Gifted and Talented Students

Suggested topics for sessions:

Dual Diagnosis students
Research-based practices in the classroom
Access, participation, progress in general curriculum
Effective instructional practices
Collaboration between special and general education

Strand 9: Future Professionals:

Student Kaleidoscope:

Call for Poster Presentations
Undergraduate Research – any topic
Graduate Research – any topic
And
Invited Panel of Experts:
Your Portfolio and Resume
Interviewing
Expectations in the First Year
Professional Development Plan

SUBMISSION PROCESS

If more than two presenters will participate in this session, please attach the contact information for each additional person.

The submission packet must include the following:

1. A 100-300-word abstract describing the presentation.
2. A brief 75-100 word description to be included in the program.
3. A cover sheet (outlined below)

Please submit your proposal by May 31st, 2011 to:

Dr. Kimberly Pawling, Program Chair

Email: fceconference@gmail.com

15301 Stonebriar Way

Orlando, FL 32826

Presenter Guidelines and Requirements:

1. Individuals may submit proposals.
2. Please do not list individuals as presenters unless you have a definite commitment that they will present.
3. Sessions will be scheduled throughout the conference. Presenters are expected to be available at their scheduled time.
4. **Please note that all presenters are responsible for all registration fees and expenses.**

For the primary contact, please type or print:

Name: Dr. Ms. Mr.

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Fax: _____ Email: _____

Summer Contact Information, if different from above:

Please note: All presenters are required to pre-register for and pay for the conference. No expense or honorarium payments are available.

**FLORIDA COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN
Presentation Proposal Cover Sheet**

1. Title of the presentation (as it should appear in the Conference Program)
2. Presenter(s) names(s)/contact information (as it should appear in the Program)
3. Strand (select one)
 - School Climate and Discipline
 - Family/School Partnerships
 - Administrative and Personnel Issues
 - Early Childhood
 - Technology
 - Curriculum and Instruction for Students with Exceptionalities
 - Diverse Students with Exceptionalities
 - Gifted and Talented Students
 - Future Professionals -
 - * NOTE - EXTENDED DEADLINE for Undergraduate & Graduate student research Poster Sessions. Student Poster sessions will be accepted UNTIL SEPTEMBER 11, 2011.- -
4. Disability focus:
5. Topic:
6. Presentation Format (select one)
 - Demonstration/Lecture Session
 - Panel Session
 - Interactive Session
 - Poster Session
1. Description of the presentation: (as it should appear in program - limit to 50 words)
2. Has this program been presented at any other professional meeting?
(If yes, please indicate when and where)

Selection Process

The Program Chair and the Advisory Committee members will review all submissions. Presenters will be notified by June 30, 2011. **If your submission is not chosen for presentation, would you be willing to present your material in a poster session?**

Yes ____ No ____