

“Barefoot on the Beach and Ready to Race for Special Education”



63rd Annual FCEC Fall Conference October 8-10, 2009

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Hilton Daytona Beach Oceanfront Resort

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2009 FCEC Conference

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Room Rate: Single, Double - \$125 Triple - \$135 Quad - \$145

Reservations: 1-866-536-8477 or 386-254-8200

Cut-off date to receive discounted room rate is **September 17, 2009**



Conference Highlights

Nationally Known Key Note Speakers



Bambi J. Lockman

Chief of the Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services in the Florida Department of Education since October 2004.

Ms. Lockman is responsible for Florida's implementation of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA 2004) and its regulations. Ms. Lockman provides leadership in numerous statewide initiatives including the Florida Alternate Assessment, Portal to Exceptional Education Resources (PEER), transition, and Response to Intervention (RtI), and provides oversight for discretionary projects to meet state needs through research-based, effective practices.

Ms. Lockman serves on the Florida Developmental Disabilities Council, the Florida Interagency Coordinating Council for Infants and Toddlers (FICCIT), the Governor's Commission on Disabilities, and Governor's Task Force on Autism Spectrum Disorders. Ms. Lockman is actively involved in regional and national activities through the Southeast Regional Resource Center, 7-Pak, the Council for Exceptional Children, the Council of Administrators of Special Education (CASE), and secretary/treasurer of the National Association of State Directors of Special Education (NASDSE).

Before joining the Bureau, Ms. Lockman had extensive experience at the classroom, school, and district levels in the Santa Rosa School District. She was selected as the district's exceptional student education (ESE) Teacher of the Year in 1984. While in the district, she served as staffing specialist, assistant principal, director of in-service and instructional technology, supervisor of assessment, and director of exceptional student education and student services. Her accomplishments included initiation of a state-of-the-art professional development center, the district instructional television system, the district technology plan, a networked student services support system, and reorganization to ensure high-quality, school-based service delivery for exceptional students. She has served as a consultant and guest speaker in a variety of professional development venues, and was an adjunct instructor at the University of West Florida. Ms. Lockman has a sense of urgency to make Florida's educational programs meet the needs of ALL students.

The **topic of Ms. Bambi Lockman's presentation for **Thursday evening's Opening Session** is the "Hot-off-the Press" latest news of actions and events at FLDOE with ESE.

[OPENING PRESIDENT'S WELCOME RECEPTION TO FOLLOW](#)



Cheryl Hines and Rebecca Hines

Cheryl Hines understands the importance of reaching an audience. The two-time Emmy nominee for her role as 'Cheryl David' on HBO's Golden Globe Award-winning series "Curb Your Enthusiasm" has starred in feature films such as "The Ugly Truth" and "RV" to name a few. In addition, she has been behind the scenes directing Meg Ryan and Timothy Hutton in the film "Serious Moonlight".

But Cheryl knows that there's more to connecting with a crowd than meets the eye, especially when that "crowd" is in the classroom. She praises her sister Rebecca's ability to reach everyone in a classroom filled with students with different abilities and different learning styles. And she should know. A strong supporter of her sister, she has often joined her in the classroom, on the stage, and before a camera.

Both sisters agree that the best thing about teaching is the energy you get from every single person in the room. **Dr. Rebecca Hines** explains that "when everyone is really engaged and you draw people into thinking about new things, there's a rush of energy that's indescribable -whether you're teaching preschoolers or graduate students."

Dr. Hines, an Associate Professor at the University of Central Florida, uses every means and every medium to convey her powerful lessons, and speaks to teachers across the country on topics of co-teaching and inclusion. Rebecca began her teaching career while still in college, working as a paraprofessional at a school for kids with cognitive disabilities. She became an English teacher after graduating. From there, Rebecca returned to special education and taught kids with emotional and behavioral issues, developing her skills and expertise on co-teaching and working inclusively with students of varying cognitive abilities.

The first professional collaboration between the sisters occurred when Cheryl came and helped Rebecca teach for two solid weeks when she had surgery on her throat (Rebecca pantomimed while Cheryl delivered all the lessons as a "volunteer"!). Rebecca and her sister Cheryl have worked together throughout their careers. Their collaboration continues with the summer drama institute (now partnering with the Orlando Shakespeare Festival and UCP of Central Florida) for kids with and without disabilities that takes place each summer. The institute, founded by Rebecca, was inspired by Cheryl. Cheryl and Rebecca are teaming up yet again to do a DVD called *Improv for Educators: Tips for Helping Teachers Think on their Feet*. The impressive collaboration between the two sisters makes a lot of sense for a variety of reasons, but Rebecca puts it best: "Whether you are teaching or acting, you better know your audience. If you don't, you'd better know how to handle the hecklers!"

Rebecca and Cheryl's **topic** for the conference presentation is: **IMPROV Tips for Successful Collaboration**

[FEATURED SPEAKERS Friday and Saturday:](#)

- Gayle Zavala** - National CEC "Clarissa Hug" ESE Teacher of the Year 2009
- Sara Aronin** - National CEC Outstanding Student Graduate of the Year 2009
- Susan Hentz** - Florida's ESE Teacher of the Year 2002, author and internationally known speaker on RtI
- David Finkle** - Volusia County Teacher of the Year 2005, "Mr. Fitz" cartoonist, and published writer
- Linda Laverty** - Instructional Technology Specialist Florida Diagnostic Learning Resource Systems
- Richard M. Marshall, Ed. D., Ph.D.** -Nationally known authority on neuropsychology of the brain

[FCEC AWARDS PROGRAM AND BANQUET FRIDAY NIGHT](#)



Tom E.C. Smith, Ed.D.

University of Arkansas Professor ~ Dept. of Curriculum & Instruction Executive Director, and Division on Developmental Disabilities, CEC

Dr. Tom E.C. Smith is currently Professor and Chairperson, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, University of Arkansas. Prior to coming to the university, Dr. Smith was on the faculty at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences campus, University of Alabama at Birmingham, and University of Arkansas at Little Rock. In 1994, President Clinton appointed Dr. Smith to the President's Committee on Mental Retardation; he was reappointed in 1998 and 2001. This national committee advises the President on issues affecting individuals with mental retardation. Since 1992, Dr. Smith has served as the Executive Director of the Division on Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities of the Council for Exceptional Children. This national organization of 7,000 members, advocates for educational programs for this group of students.

Dr. Smith has authored or co-authored 22 college textbooks in special education and more than 40 articles in professional journals; he has made more than 200 presentations at national, regional, and state meetings, frequently emphasizing curriculum, legal issues and special education. During the past five years, Dr. Smith has consulted with schools and held workshops on Section 504 in 40 states. He teaches graduate classes in legal issues and disabilities, behavior management, and characteristics of individuals with disabilities.

While serving as the Executive Director of DDD (Division on Developmental Disabilities), Dr. Smith has been extensively involved in the development of standards as they apply to children with mental retardation and autism. These standards have become a major component of the CEC standards used for NCATE program approval. Dr. Smith has also been involved in developing successful SPA reports for several universities.

****Dr. Smith's topic** for Saturday's Keynote presentation will be on social skills and self-determination interventions. He will also highlight sub-divisions and CEC/professional associations.

OTHER CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS:

Thursday **NASA pre-conference workshop** on math accommodations and manipulatives

Saturday focus on **CEC sub-division** membership and benefits

Various **Florida State Projects** highlighted during preconference workshops and conference sessions

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Pre-registration (Postmarked) by: **September 15, 2009**

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	<u>Pre-registration Rate</u>	<u>On-Site Rate</u>
___ CEC Member	\$ 80	\$100
___ Non CEC Member	\$120	No Credit Cards \$140
___ Student CEC Member	\$ 40	Cash or Check \$ 55
___ Parent/Paraprofessional/Retirees	\$ 55	or Purchase Order \$ 70
___ One Day Only (Circle) Fri. Sat.	\$ 55	No Charge \$ 70
Special Rate: Register with a General Educator (Pre-registration forms and payment must be included together for both attendees)		
___ CEC Member & General Ed. Colleague	\$120	XXX

Pre-Conference Workshops ~ Thursday, October 8 ~ Sessions held 9 AM –12 PM and 1 PM- 4PM

(Workshop Registration Check in: 8 AM – 9 AM and 12 PM- 1PM)

Number your choices in order of preference-1 for best choice, etc.

Although there is no additional charge for the pre-conference workshops, the number of participants may be limited.

You may choose to participate in AM and/or PM sessions

AM Sessions

- ___ NASA-(National Aeronautics and Space Administration)-Accommodations for inclusion in STEM fields (science, technology, engineering & mathematics) for Elementary-with Sara Aronin facilitating
- ___ Problem-solving/Response to Intervention: Increase your Tool Kit of Practical Strategies to Improve Student Outcomes -with Susan Hentz
- ___ Strategic Instruction Model (SIM) with accompanying research support & 1 concept enhancement routine, the FRAME -with Janet Raney and Marilyn Jackson-Lee
- ___ Florida Transition Project: "Project 10: Accessing Postsecondary Education" -with Jordan Knab

PM Sessions

- ___ NASA-(National Aeronautics and Space Administration)-Accommodations for inclusion in STEM fields (science, technology, engineering & mathematics) for Secondary-with Sara Aronin facilitating
- ___ Big Changes in SLD and an examination of the ESE teacher/specialists role -with Heather Diamond of FLDOE
- ___ RtI Interventions for students with Math delays -with Mary Little and Shelby Robertson from UCF
- ___ Regional CARD center supports for a district effort to establish a new cluster or autism class. -with FAU Center for Autism and Related Disabilities/Jack Scott

If you are a nominee for one of the following awards, your registration fee is compliments of FCEC:

- Marjorie Crick Teacher of the Year
- Landis Stetler Award
- Unit President's Award
- Jack R. Lamb Rookie of the Year

Please circle the award for which you have been nominated.

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FCEC AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Chapter Membership Awards:

FCEC provides two chapter membership awards annually. One award is given for the unit that has the largest increase in membership by percentage. One award is given for the unit that has the largest increase by actual number.

President's Award for Units:

FCEC presents Unit President's Awards as earned annually. The process for this award takes place during the fiscal year prior to the annual state FCEC Conference when the award is given.

Jack R. Lamb Rookie Teacher of the Year:

FCEC selects a Jack R. Lamb Rookie Teacher of the Year annually who is named at the annual state conference. Information/Nomination forms can be found on the FCEC website

Landis M. Stetler Award:

FCEC annually provides members with the nomination process for the Landis M. Stetler Award. This award is presented at the annual FCEC state conference. Award is designated for individuals who have made a significant contribution to the education of children and youth with exceptionalities

Marjorie Crick Teacher of the Year Award:

FCEC annually selects the Marjorie Crick Teacher of the Year. This award is presented at the annual FCEC state conference. Information/Nomination forms can be found on the FCEC website

Nancy Givens Instructional Grants:

FCEC annually awards Nancy Givens Instructional Grants. FCEC annually budgets for the Nancy Givens Instructional Grants.

Landis M. Stetler ESE Leadership Scholarship:

A scholarship program established by FL-CASE to award a financial scholarship in the name of Dr. Landis Stetler, a pioneer and great leader in exceptional student education in the state of Florida and the nation. The award will be made annually at the Florida CEC conference, and Florida CEC will maintain the fund for the scholarship. Applicant must be a Florida resident and currently enrolled in a graduate program leading to certification in ESE and/or major in exceptional student education (a focus on administration of exceptional student education will be given special consideration).