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# State Schools Title I Conference for Families and Professionals



A Unique Learning Opportunity for Georgia's Families



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Cook-Out & Social Onsite at GAB (Pre-Conference) Friday, May 2, 2014, 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. — \$10/adult, \$5/child

Saturday, May 3, 2014, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Conference Registration Fee: \$15 for first family member,

\$10 for each additional family member

Location: Georgia Academy for the Blind 2895 Vineville Avenue, Macon, GA 31204

# **REGISTRATION DEADLINE: TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2014**

Register Online (stateschoolsconference.org) or By Mail. You May Request an Application By Contacting Katherine Kennedy, GSD (912-486-0923), Chris Davis, GAB (478-751-4592), Dona Harris, AASD (404-300-5858) or Alice Stanley, GaPINES (404-298-4882).

# ACCOMMODATIONS Friday, May 2, 2014, for Cook-Out & Social Activities

## Georgia Academy for the Blind

Dormitory-style accommodations with a shared bathroom FREE of Charge to Conference Participants First Come, First Serve Basis Check-In Begins at 4 p.m.

#### SpringHill Suites By Marriott 4630 Sheraton Dr., Macon, GA 31210 Phone: 478-803-9100 Conference Rate: \$89 Wingate by Wyndham

100 N. Crest Blvd., Macon, GA 31210 Phone: 478-476-8100 Conference Rate: \$69

# **Federal Grants**

Your Input Is Important: Family Feedback Is Essential to Successful Federal Programs Andrea Johnson (AASD), Chris Davis (GAB), Katherine Kennedy (GSD)

# **Deaf/Hard of Hearing**

**Merits of Bilingual Education** Paul Saunders and Andrew McAllister, GSD

**Strategies for Building** Literacy at Home Dr. Nanci A. Scheetz

> **Self-Advocacy** MeLisa Dennis, P.C.



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**"Moving From Reflection** 

to involvement"

for families and Professionals

Childcare **WILL NOT** Be Provided

For Children 0-3 Years.

Structured Activities Will Be Provided For Children 4-21 Years.

Sibshops Available!

Sessions for siblings (ages 7-18) of a

child with disabilities. To register, visit

www.stateschoolsconference.org!

Family Engagement

**Emotional & Mental Health** 

Kinga Sherrill, M.S., LPC

**Person-Centered Planning** 

Stacey Ramirez

Ride Safe Georgia! Child Passenger Safety Policy and Practice

Jessica Leigh Anderson

**Vision Impairment** 

Audio Resources for Visually

**Impaired Students** 

Rebecca Carpenter

**Building Better Readers:** 

**Enhancing Your Child's** 

**Reading Abilities** 

June McCormick, Lauren Eckman

Transition Skills = Self-

**Esteem & Independence** 

Toni Kimbrough, Kim Smith

Stacey Ramirez is the CLD Director of Individual and Family Supports and focuses her efforts on community inclusion, cultural competency,

family support, person-centered planning. Ms. Ramirez regularly provides training to community members and education personnel on person-centered planning facilitation and culturally competent family supports.

## GaPINES & Multiple Impairments

Auditory, Speech and Language **Milestones For Young Children** With Hearing Loss Taylor Sands, M.S., CCC-SLP

Supporting Spanish-Speaking Families (Presented in Spanish)

Sandra J. Bravo Patiño, LCSW **Early Literacy For Children** 

With Sensory Disabilities Christine Spratling

**GSAP's New Resources On Deaf-Blindness** Martha Veto, Carol Darrah

**Communication Portfolios** for Transition From Early Intervention (EI) to School Martha Veto, Carol Darrah

100 Babies Project - Georgia Pathway to Language and Literacy Coalition Jessica Bergeron

ASL and Spanish Interpreters Available (Indicate Need on Registration Form) • Vendors • Door Prizes