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2008 Florida Literacy Conference



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May 7-9 2008

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Regal Sun Resort-Walt Disney World

MINDS

Tuesday, May 6

8:30 am-7:00 pm	Registration Open
9:00am-12:00 pm	Helping ABE Learners Develop Writing Skills
9:00am-4:00 pm	BEST Plus Oral Proficiency Test Administrator Training
10:00am-1:00 pm	National Reporting System Workshop
10:00am-6:00 pm	Train the Tutor Trainer Course
1:00pm-5:00 pm	Fundraising Symposium

Wednesday, May 7

8:00 am-5:30 pm	Registration Open
8:30 am-5:30 pm	Exhibits Open
9:30 am-11:00 am	Opening General Session
11:15 am-12:30 pm	Concurrent Sessions
2:00 pm-3:15 pm	Concurrent Sessions
3:15pm-3:45pm	Extended break and time with exhibitors
3:45 pm-5:00 pm	Concurrent Sessions
7:00 pm-8:30 pm	Opening Reception

Thursday, May 8

8:00 am-5:30 pm	Registration Open
8:00 am-9:00 am	Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors
8:00 am-3:30 pm	Exhibits Open
9:00 am-10:15 am	Concurrent Sessions
10:30 am-11:45 am	Concurrent Sessions
12:15 pm-1:15 pm	Florida Literacy Coalition Annual Meeting
1:30 pm-2:45 pm	Concurrent Sessions
2:45pm-3:15pm	Extended break and time with exhibitors
3:15 pm-4:45 pm	Regional Networking Sessions
6:30 pm-8:30 pm	State Literacy Awards Banquet

Friday, May 9

8:00am-8:30 am	Registration Open
8:30 am-9:45 am	Concurrent Sessions
10:00 am-11:15 am	Concurrent Sessions
11:30 am-12:30 pm	Closing General Session & Luncheon

Schedule at a Glance

Join hundreds of adult and family literacy practitioners, volunteers and adult learners this May to network, develop new skills and share promising practices during the 2008 Florida Literacy Conference. This premier literacy event offers a wide range of sessions presented by local, state and national educators.

Sessions are designed to energize you with new ideas and hands-on strategies that you can put to work for your program and students. For more information, call the Florida Literacy Coalition at (407) 246-7110 or visit our website, www.floridaliteracy.org, for updates and registration information.

Conference Tracks Include:

- Adult Learner
- Corrections Literacy
- ESOL
- Family Literacy
- Learning Disabilities
- Library Literacy
- Program Management
- Reading
- Technology
- Volunteers in Literacy
- Workforce Education

Full Conference Registration Includes:

- Admission to general sessions
- Your choice of sessions within 11 tracks
- Opening reception
- Continental breakfast on Thursday
- Closing luncheon Friday and daily refreshments
- Social and networking events
- Admission to literacy product exhibition
- Conference tote bag, program and resource materials

Over 70 Concurrent Session Workshops Including:

- Pencil to Paper Poetry Out Loud
- Celebrating Literacy via Community Events
- Integration Students and Community Just got Easier
- Trainers' Roundtable
- Zap! Zowie! Using Manga and Graphic- Novels in Family Literacy Programming
- Building Community Coalitions to Protect Immigrants Rights
- Let's Read Together- Ideas for Successful Family Literacy Programs
- Linking Life with Learning: Learning Essential ESOL Skills outside the Classroom
- Tutor Talk
- The Learner Web
- Integrating Technology in your Instruction
- Health Literacy- Moving from Knowledge to Action
- Using the Adult ESOL Curriculum in the Classroom
- Multisensory and Metacognitive Strategies to Enhance Reading Instruction
- Sustainability 101

For an updated list of workshops visit www.floridaliteracy.org after February 1.

Register now for the 2008 Florida Literacy Conference and take advantage of early bird registration rates! You can now register online using our secure form and pay with your Visa or Mastercard.

Just visit www.floridaliteracy.org

Keynote Speakers Include:



David Harvey Opening General Session

President and CEO of ProLiteracy Worldwide, David C. Harvey leads the world's largest organization of adult basic education and literacy programs. He is responsible for the organization's advocacy efforts on behalf of adult learners at the national and international levels, oversees the operations of

New Readers Press, ProLiteracy's publishing division, leads the domestic and international programs that provide training and resources to the programs that offer adults instruction in reading, writing, and mathematics.



Alfonso Aguilar Closing General Session and Luncheon

Alfonso Aguilar serves as Chief of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services' Office of Citizenship, within the Department of Homeland Security.

Pre-Conference Events, Tuesday, May 6:

Pre-registration is required for all pre-conference events. For detailed descriptions and registration information, visit www.floridaliteracy.org or call (407) 246-7110.

Helping ABE Learners Develop Writing Skills

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Facilitator: Gail Rice

National Reporting System Workshop (NRS)

10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Facilitator: Mario Zuniga

BEST Plus Oral Proficiency Test Administrator Training

9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Facilitators: Michelle Ueland & Allene Grognet

Train the Tutor Trainer Course, Session 1 of 3

10:00 AM-6:00 PM

\$25.00 (lunch included)

Facilitators: Ellen Lauricella & Roberta Reiss

Fundraising Symposium

1:00 PM-5:00 PM

Facilitators: Greg Smith & Joyce Whidden

Adult Learner Day, Wednesday, May 7th:

Adult education, literacy and ESOL students are encouraged to attend the Conference as our guests for a full day of activities coordinated by a committee of adult learners. Session topics will address areas such as developing enhanced writing skills and learner involvement and leadership.

For registration information go to www.floridaliteracy.org

Don't Miss the Florida Literacy Awards and Banquet, Thursday, May 8th:

This promises to be an enjoyable and inspiring evening as we recognize the outstanding achievements of an adult learner, volunteer, literacy practitioner, program, business and media partner.

Conference Scholarships Available:

Are you having a difficult time finding resources to attend the Florida Literacy Conference? A limited number of registration and travel scholarships are available to adult learners, practitioners and volunteers working in adult and family literacy programs.

Visit www.floridaliteracy.org for application information.

2007 Conference Reviews:

"Networking with others makes this conference so worthwhile. I had a great time."

"Very well organized. You can tell a lot of work went into this good job."

"Wonderful conference, excellent location. The workshops were very interesting and pertinent."

"This was an excellent conference with a good variety of information for everyone."

Hotel Information:

Regal Sun Resort
at Walt Disney World Resort
1850 Hotel Plaza Blvd.
Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830

Standard Double
\$99 plus tax
Lake/Pool view Double
\$109 plus tax
Tower City
\$129 plus tax

Monday, April 14 is the last day to reserve a room for overnight accommodations anytime May 4-May 12 at the group rate.

For reservations, call (800) 624-4109. Please indicate you are with the Florida Literacy Coalition Conference.

Ample free parking is available onsite. Visit www.floridaliteracy.org for more information. Discounted partial-day Disney tickets are available to conference attendees.



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