



TEXAS HEAD START ASSOCIATION
SUMMER TRAINING CONFERENCE – July 16-20, 2017
Head Start: A World of Opportunities; A Celebration of Success
Sugar Land Marriott Town Square
16090 City Walk Sugar Land Texas 77479 USA

CALL FOR PAPERS: Invitation to Speakers

The Texas Head Start Association is pleased to host the 2017 Summer Conference at Sugar Land Marriott Town Square Sugar Land, Texas. The Texas Head Start Association's mission is to speak, represent and advocate for the Texas 0-5 early childhood community.

Our Conference 2017 theme – Head Start: A World of Opportunities; A Celebration of Success. A world of opportunities awaits us as we embrace a new Administration and Congress and celebrate our success as a leader in early childhood education. The 2017 Texas Head Start Training Conference will focus on empowering programs and program staff through training sessions and forums related to Head Start's mission and vision.

Guidelines for Prospective Presenter(s)

- Sessions will be 1.5 hours. However, if you feel your topic would benefit from a longer session, pending availability, you may have two 1.5 hour sessions with a 15 minute break, to total 3 hours of instruction time.
- Group size of sessions will be approximately 45–100 per session. Rooms will be arranged theater style. *Requests for different arrangements will be made upon availability of equipment.*
- Audio/visual equipment **will not** be available.
- Screens and electrical connections available upon request.
- ***Complimentary one day registration will be provided for the lead presenter and one co-presenter only.***
- Presenters will not be reimbursed for the cost of preparing or duplicating session handouts.

ABSOLUTELY NO HAND WRITTEN PROPOSALS WILL BE ACCEPTED. ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE IN WORD FORMAT, NO PDF'S.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

All requested information on the application must complete in order for an application to be considered. All documents must be in Word format.

Submission DUE DATE is May 15, 2017 and finalists will be notified by the end of May.
Session times and room assignments will be provided by June 16, 2017

Submission of an application does not ensure your presentation will be selected for inclusion in the conference. A speaker-selection committee will consider all applications prior to recommending a slate of presenters to the Conference Chair.



**2017 Conference Theme:
Head Start: A World of Opportunities;
A Celebration of Success**



TOPICS OF INTEREST PER PROGRAM TRACK (Suggested topics)

THSA Summer Training Conference is a great venue to share your knowledge, skills, and research. Help shape the conference agenda by proposing learning sessions that are innovative, insightful, engaging, and would equip participants with tools or knowledge in one or more of the following areas;

ADMINISTRATION

Forming Collaborations
Self-Assessment Process
Federal & State Initiatives
Head Start Reauthorization
T&TA System
Transportation
Monitoring Protocol
How to Establish your Mission & Vision
Establishing your programs Culture and Climate
Program Outcomes & Monitoring
Program Governance
QRIS
Reflective Supervision for Center Directors
Reflective Practices
1302.7 - Exclusionary Discipline and Implicit Bias
School Partnerships

EARLY HEAD START

Infant/Toddler Language Development
Individualization
Infant/Toddler School Readiness
Infant/Toddler Mental Health/Temperaments
Appropriate Environments for Infants/Toddlers
Documenting the Progress of Infants & Toddlers
Early Brain Development
Expectant Women
Teen Parents
Services to Expectant Families

NUTRITION

Integrating Nutrition Curriculum
Menu Planning
Family Style Meals
Dental Hygiene in the Classroom
Childhood Diabetes
Meeting Nutritional Needs

HEALTH/SAFETY

Active Supervision
Environments
Health Practices in the Classrooms
Childhood Obesity
Process Safety Environments
Oral Hygiene
Promoting Teacher and Staff
Wellness for Improved Outcomes

MENTAL HEALTH

Challenging Behaviors
Healthy Family Development
Helping Children Cope with Stress
Postpartum Depression
Trauma Informed Care
Positive Behavior Supports
(Conscious Discipline; Trust Based
Relational Intervention
Trauma Informed Care
Recognizing Trauma;
ACES; Toxic Stress, Trauma,
Resiliency;

FAMILY SERVICES

Review of ERSEA
Family Partnership Agreement
Motivational Strategies for Parental Involvement
Community Needs Assessment
The History of Head Start
Grandparents Raising Grandchildren
Fatherhood Initiatives
Family Support in Child Development
Shaken Baby Syndrome/SIDS
How to Conduct an Effective Home Visit
Adult Learning
Working with Adults;

EDUCATION

Practiced Based Coaching
Mentor/Coaching
Emergent Literacy and Numeracy
Dual Language Learners
Math & Science in the Curriculum
School Readiness and Success
Individualization
Indoor & Outdoor Learning Experiences
Cultural Diversity throughout the Curriculum
CLASS
Child Screening and Assessment
Best Practices in ECE
Cognitive Development
Playgrounds
School Readiness Certification
Pedestrian Safety Curriculum
How to work together as a Teaching Team
Strategies for Teachers dealing with challenging behaviors;
STEM: STEAM; STREAM;

DISABILITIES

A-Typical Language Development
Communication Disorders
How to Work with Children with Autism
Identifying Development Delays
Working with School Partnerships
Early Childhood Intervention
Special Education Law/IDEA



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SESSION TOPIC:			
Primary Presenter and Contact Person*		Phone	E-mail
Employer / Organization		Website	
Address	City	State	Zip
Position / Title	Degree(s)/Licenses (s)		
1st Additional Presenter's Name		E-mail	
Employer / Organization	Position / Title	Degrees/Licenses	
2nd Additional Presenter's Name		E-mail	
Employer / Organization	Position / Title	Degrees / License	
3 rd Additional Presenter's Name		E-mail	
Employer / Organization	Position / Title	Degree / Licenses	

* The primary presenter is responsible for gathering and sharing information with other panelists, if any.

1. Please, check all dates you will be eligible to present, not just your preferred date(s):		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday, July 18 TH	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday, July 19 TH	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday, July 20 TH

2. Are you willing to repeat your session during the conference?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

3. **Topic area:** Please indicate the HSSPS topic areas that best relate to your session.

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Program Management | <input type="checkbox"/> Family and Parent Engagement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ERSEA | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources and Professional Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Governance | <input type="checkbox"/> Health |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative and Fiscal Requirements | <input type="checkbox"/> Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Practice Base Coaching | |

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4. **Session objectives:** Please describe the specific skills, tools, or knowledge attendees will take away from your session. All sessions must clearly articulate three educational objectives.

- a.
- b.
- c.

5. **Session abstract:** In 100-200 words, describe the session you would like to present at the conference. If accepted, the abstract you provide will appear in the conference program and on the conference website. Abstracts are subject to editing for length and content.

6. **Presenter bios:** Please provide a brief (maximum 150 words) biographical summary for each presenter. Bios are subject to editing for length and content.

Primary Presenter:

1st Additional Presenter:

7. **Equipment requirements:** I understand that audio/visual equipment will not be provided. Presenters will need to bring their own audio/visual equipment, laptop and projector.

Will you need a screen and electrical connectivity to project your presentation?

- Yes No

Other:



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