

Family Child Care Partnerships

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We are VERY excited to extend the invitation to attend our eighth annual "Focus on Family Child Care Conference" to be held June 7 & 8, 2013, in **AUBURN**, Alabama, at **AUBURN UNIVERSITY'S Dixon Hotel and Conference Center across the street form the University library.** This year by way of additional funds provided by PNCBank, we are able to offer a **2-day** conference including **nationally known** speakers. We are also re-instating our Friday sessions and evening Accreditation Celebration Banquet. We hope YOU will come be a part of the biggest and best ever conference exclusively for family child care providers in Alabama.

Directions can be found online – <u>www.auburn.edu</u>. Click on Campus Map. We have planned fun and exciting events that we know you will enjoy. Wide ranges of educational sessions are offered specific to the needs of family childcare providers. Featured vendors include Books Are Fun, Fun Science, iWOW, M.A.T.S., and Hand-in-Hand Learning.

This year we are kicking off our conference with a special lunch and learn session with Jim Gill followed by an all-conference kick-off session. Friday night we have our annual Accreditation Celebration featuring Daphne Cole (Executive Director of the Tennessee Family Child Care Alliance & NAFCC Historian). On Saturday, there is a networking breakfast session as well as another exciting all-conference session featuring Jim Gill.

There are 2 workshops offered at each time period Friday, and 5 workshops offered at each time on Saturday. Each workshop fully attended will result in 1.5 training hours that will appear on the sticker you will receive after the workshop is over. You can find out which DHR, Core Knowledge, and CDA categories as well as whether or not the session is basic, intermediate, or advanced level in the accompanying workshop description guide.

To successfully register for this conference, you must do the following:

- 1. Completely fill out the information requested on the attached registration form.
- 2. Indicate your Friday attendance.
- 3. Identify your 1^{st} , 2^{nd} , and 3^{rd} choices for each workshop session you wish to attend.
- 4. Indicate the number of meal tickets you will need and your entrée preference for each meal event you plan to attend.
- 5. Enclose your registration form and a check or money order (NO cash) made out to *Auburn University*
- 6. Put a first class stamp on the envelope and mail it to FCCP (109 M. White Smith Hall, Auburn, AL 36849) as soon as possible.

Your registration form <u>must be postmarked by</u> <u>May 15 for scholarship consideration.</u>

The first 175 providers who send in their registration materials will be registered for the conference. Individual workshops are seated on a first come, first serve basis.

Hotel information/suggestions can be found on the FCCP website www.humsci.auburn.edu/fccp. Scholarships and vendor vouchers are funded again this year, but we cannot cover all purchases you may with to make when you see our wonderful vendors, so please come prepared! Don't delay, register today!

We look forward to seeing you in AUBURN!