

separate registration programs

In addition to the main conference, the following separate registration programs are offered.

WORKSHOPS:

Sunday, March 5, 8 am to 5 pm (*Concurrent*)

Two Workshops are offered for a fee separate from the conference. Conferees must attend only the session they register for since the NHTSA training is an 8-hour curriculum.

WORKSHOP A: BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT CLINIC

8 am to 5 pm

Training Drivers to Regulate Inappropriate Behaviors on the School Bus

8 to 10 am

Bill Hoosty, WRH Consulting Group, Syracuse NY (invited)

Bullying: Spotting it & Stopping It

10:15 to 11:45 am

Catherine F. Moffett, Ed.D, Center for School-Community Collaboration, Virginia Commonwealth University

The Successful Bus Experience: Ideas that Work for Children with ASD & Parents

1 to 3:15 pm

Jocelyn Taylor, MS, CC SLP, Education Specialist, Utah Office of Education

Exceptionalities & Appropriate Behavior Interventions

3:30 to 5 pm

Marianne Cleary, Transportation Coordinator, Jim Malley, Special Education Supervisor, and Debb Webb, Curriculum Coordinator, North Penn School District, Lansdale, PA

WORKSHOP B: NHTSA'S CHILD SAFETY SEATING CURRICULUM

8 am to 5 pm

Workshop Co-Chairs: Susan Kirinich, Kathy Strotmeyer, Cheryl Wolf

Additional Team Leaders: Sue Shutrump, OTR/L, Jean Zimmerman, PT, Charley Kennington

This definitive hands on and instructional clinic enables you to learn from the best in the nation. NHTSA's Susan Kirinich and Tami Levitas join with Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians from school systems, the American Academy of Pediatrics, and industry to teach this national curriculum on best practice. Registrants earn a Certificate of Attendance for this course.

EXECUTIVE BRIEFING:

Employee Relations Compliance Tools, Part 1

Saturday, March 4, 8 m to Noon

This Briefing in two four-hour parts offers practical techniques for handling human resources challenges. Topics covered in the Briefing will include employment and discrimination law, writing job descriptions, hiring and orientation, evaluating employee performance, union matters, and more.

This session is designed for those who are in executive and supervisory positions in school systems and in school bus contracting companies.

Saturday sessions conducted by
Mark Hinson, SPHR, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, Adams 12 Five Star Schools

Employee Relations Compliance Tools, Part 2

Sunday, March 5, 8 am to Noon

In the second half of the Briefing, the presenters and attendees will team to solve "real-world" employee relations problems.

Sunday sessions conducted by
Mark Hinson and Pauline M. Gervais, Director of Transportation & Fleet Operations, Adams 12 Five Star Schools, Thornton CO.

Hotel Room Reservations

The Doubletree at the Entrance to Universal Orlando is located at 5780 Major Boulevard, Orlando, FL 32819.

The phone number for reservations is 800 327-2110. A block of rooms is being held for our attendees at a discounted rate of \$122 single through quad occupancy. You must mention the Transporting Students Conference or Edupro Group by name to get the special room rate. Reservations must be made by 8 am February 1, 2006 to receive that discounted rate. We encourage you to make your reservation months ahead to be certain of availability of this rate within our block of rooms. Remember to ask for a confirmation number for your lodging.

Travel Information

Orlando is served by all major and many low-fare airlines. Please consult your travel agent or your favorite Internet travel service for information on schedules and fares to Orlando.

Food Functions

The following food functions are included in your registration fee. For full conference registrants and OT/PT Pass holders: continental breakfasts and lunches will be available on Monday and Tuesday. Full conference registrants who attend 3Rs for Drivers & Attendants on Sunday will have a continental breakfast. Sunday Separate Registration Program attendees will have a continental breakfast and lunch. Snacks and beverage will be available on Friday evening for early arrivals. There are beverage breaks daily.

Special Needs

Please notify the conference in advance of any special physical needs you may have with regard to meeting rooms or the exhibit area. Those with special needs in sleeping rooms should so advise the hotel when making reservations.

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Transporting Students with Disabilities & Preschoolers

15th National Conference & Exhibition

3 day-long workshops:

Behavior Management Clinic

Child Safety Seating Curriculum

Executive Briefing: Employee

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March 3-8, 2006, Orlando, FL

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more pre-con Demonstration and Training Sessions, Friday, March 3, *including* School Bus Watch!

A special track on *collaboration* between special ed and transportation — all day Monday, March 6, and more!

A first on *wheelchair liability issues* re labeling and transport — with attorneys advising stakeholders what to watch for!

How Head Start and IDEA transporters can *bridge* policy and regulations *gaps* and get on with getting kids to school!

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Your invitation to Partnership, Preparedness and Professionalism

To: IEP Team members and Head Start providers

From: Roseann Schwaderer Conference Chair

Fifteen years into planning the annual conferences on Transporting Students with Disabilities & Preschoolers for IEP Team members and Head Start providers, I am certain that:

- there's never been a greater need for partnership and collaboration between transportation and special education
- being prepared has taken on new dimensions we hardly even dreamed of in the early years and
- your interest in professionalism has never been at a higher level.

So, this year's conference theme and program content readily takes on the challenge of offering you tools you need to meet today's challenges in the areas of partnership, preparation and professionalism.

Over five days with more than 40 sessions to choose from, you will have the option of attending the main conference, two separate registration intensive workshops, and an in-depth Executive Briefing on Employee Relations Compliance Tools.

You'll find plenty of hands-on opportunities, and you will benefit from long-standing commitment this conference makes to offering workable solutions and practical answers to your daily challenges.

Please review the conference agenda here – and for full program descriptions and presenters visit www.eduprogroup.com. Please email conference@eduprogroup.com if you have questions. I'll be happy to try to answer them.

see you in orlando!

Please join the Tenured Faculty, the 2006 National Board of Advisors and Distinguished Presenters for this important meeting. See the full list of presenters at www.eduprogroup.com.

Tenured Faculty: LINDA F. BLUTH, Ed.D, PhD, Maryland Dept. of Education • PEGGY A. BURNS, Esq., Adams 12 Five Star Schools • PAULINE M. GERVAIS, Adams 12 Five Star Schools • ALEXANDRA ROBINSON, M.Ed, San Diego Unified School District • SUSAN ENGLERT SHUTRUMP, OTR/L, Trumbull County, OH Education Service Center • KATHY STROTMEYER, American Academy of Pediatrics • CHERYL WOLF, Layayette IN School Corp. • JEAN M. ZIMMERMAN, PT, Palm Beach County School District.

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15th National Conference & Exhibition Transporting Students with Disabilities & Preschoolers

CONFERENCE: March 3-8, 2006 • WORKSHOPS: March 5, 8am-5pm

EXECUTIVE BRIEFING: March 4, 8am-Noon CONTINUED March 5, 8am-Noon

EXHIBITION: March 7, 8am-1pm

Workshop A:
Behavior Management Clinic

Workshop B:
NHTSA's Child Safety Seating Curriculum

Executive Briefing:
Employee Relations Compliance Tools

Sponsored Sessions
Registered conferees may attend these sponsored sessions at NO ADDITIONAL CHARGE. Please check the appropriate box if you plan to attend a sponsored session

Sure-Lok Wheelchair & Occupant Securement Training (March 3, 2:30-5:30pm)

Hands-On Emergency Evacuation Training with Jean Zimmerman (March 3, 2:30-5:30 pm)

School Bus Watch train-the-trainer program. Select preferred time:
 March 3, 4-5:30pm
 March 4, 9:45-11:15am

3Rs for Drivers and Attendants (sponsored by Thomas Built Buses) (March 5, 9am-Noon)

Single Registrations	Before 12/15/05	After 12/15/05
<input type="checkbox"/> Conference + Workshop Select: <input type="checkbox"/> A or <input type="checkbox"/> B	\$464	\$564
<input type="checkbox"/> Conference + Executive Briefing	\$484	\$584
<input type="checkbox"/> Conference Only	\$310	\$410
<input type="checkbox"/> Workshop Only Select: <input type="checkbox"/> A or <input type="checkbox"/> B	\$200	\$200
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Briefing Only	\$220	\$220
<input type="checkbox"/> OT/PT 2-day Pass (must be a school therapist)	\$265	\$265
<input type="checkbox"/> Guest Meal Pass	\$95	\$95

Team Registrations* Before 12/15/05 After 12/15/05
* A team is a transportation official and a special ed official from the same district or a school system transporter and contract company representative. Please enter name with your selection.



<input type="checkbox"/> Team Conference + Workshop	\$410 each	\$510 each
<input type="checkbox"/> Workshop A Registrant _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> Workshop B Registrant _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> Team Conference + Executive Briefing	\$430 each	\$530 each
<input type="checkbox"/> Registrant _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> Registrant _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> Team Conference Only	\$260 each	\$360 each

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Please identify your position by checking: Public school transportation director or supervisor Head Start transportation official School bus contractor Special ed official OT PT Driver trainer Driver First time attendee Other _____

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preliminary conference program

Schedules are subject to change; check for latest updates and full session descriptions at www.eduprogroup.com

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

Pre-con Hands-on Training Sessions 2:30 to 5:30 pm
A. Sure-Lok Training & Certification
B. Evacuation Training with Jean Zimmerman, PT, Palm Beach County SD (classroom & on buses)

School Bus Watch 4 to 5:30 pm
This train-the-trainer program teaches participants how to teach drivers to recognize and report potential terrorist threats and safety concerns. The program was developed by NAPT, NSTA, NASDPTS and ATA. The program will also be offered on Saturday morning.

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

PRECONFERENCE SESSIONS (concurrent)
Track A: Basics of Special Transportation 8 am to Noon
Track B: Preparedness Training Before the Crash 8 am to 9:30 am
School Bus Watch (repeated from Friday) 9:45 to 11:15 am

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

3Rs for Drivers & Aides 9 am to Noon
Sponsored by Thomas Built Buses
Moderator: Kathy Furneaux, Pupil Transportation Safety Institute

MONDAY, MARCH 6

DAWNER BREAKOUTS (concurrent) 7 to 8 am
Mass Evacuations & Meeting FAPE for Students with Special Needs
Federal Programs Update
WELCOMING General Session 8:15 to 8:45 am
MONDAY BREAKOUTS (three concurrent tracks)

Track A:
Transportation/Special Ed Collaboration: It's Important, Necessary & Legal 9 to 10:15 am
Peggy Burns, Esq., Adams 12 Five Star Schools; and Penny Esposito, Transportation Director; Debbie Peck, Special Ed Director, Peggy Bowden, Assistant Transportation Director, Westbook School, Westbrook, ME

How YOU can reach ME – Let's Talk it Over 10:30 to 11:45 am
Jane Dixon, Director, System-wide Programs, Hamilton County Dept. of Education, Chattanooga, TN (invited)

team & collaborate effectively

Beauty and the Beast -- Communication & Interventions between Transportation Director & Special Ed Supervisor 1:15 to 2:30 pm
Marianne Cleary, Coordinator Transportation: Jim Malley, Special Ed Director, and Debb Webb, Special Ed Curriculum Coordinator, North Penn School Dist, Lansdale PA

Administrative Myths & Miracles 2:45 to 3:45 pm
Katherine Cook, Education Specialist, Special Education Program Support Services, Region IX (Texas) ESC and Kathy Furneaux, Pupil Transportation Safety Institute

Creating Seamless Transportation Solutions Out of Unusual Demands 4 to 5 pm
Tom Italiano, Transportation Planner, Fairfax, VA Public Schools; and Cheryl Wolf, Safety & Training Supervisor, Lafayette IN School Corp.

Track B:

We Did It & You Can, Too! 9 to 10:15 am
Jean Zimmerman, PT, and John Milton and Annette Coates, Senior Transportation Supervisors; Palm Beach County School District

Creating ITP Plans for On-Board Use Without Busting the Budget 10:30 to 11:45 am
Kathy Baltes, Community Bus Service, and Sue Shutrump, OTR/L, Trumbull County ESC

OT/PT/Transporter Forum Wheelchair Labeling & Liability: Issues & Answers 1:15 to 5 pm
Co-Chairs: Sue Shutrump, OTR/L, Trumbull County ESC & Percy Abbott, Vice President, Safety, First Student

With transit option chairs, product labeling and liability issues growing in school districts across the country, the Forum, in an afternoon-long session, looks to bring clarity for the stakeholders who provide wheelchair securement and transportation accommodations for children with disabilities.

Wheelchairs on the School Bus: Analyzing Liability Issues for All the Stakeholders
Tom Naughton, Esq. and Joseph Pappalardo, Esq., Gallagher Sharp Fulton & Norman, Cleveland, OH

What If I...
Following the initial presentation, the attorneys will join a panel that will respond to questions, some of which will be solicited in advance from conference registrants.
Panelists: Tom Naughton, Joseph Pappalardo, Larry Schneider, University of Michigan, Dan Lipka, Miller's Assistive Technology, Tom Whelan, Sunrise Medical, Sue Johnson, Convaid, and Invacare representative (invited).

conference program continued

Track C:
Bridging the Gap between Head Start & IDEA/transportation 9 to 10:15 am

Lenny Bernstein, Haverstraw-Stony Point CSD, Garnerville NY and President-elect, NAPT

From Birth to Transition: Age-Related Transportation Issues 10:30 to 11:45 am
Linda F. Bluth, Maryland Dept. of Education

Head Start Transportation Pathfinder 2:45 to 3:45 pm
Jason Guthrie, Clevrex (invited)

Choosing the Right Path to Bus Stop Safety 4 to 5 pm
Lenny Bernstein, Haverstraw-Stony Point CSD

Ask the Faculty 5:15 to 6:15pm
Four of the conference Tenured Faculty members, each in a separate room, will be available to answer questions. Attendance in each room is strictly limited to 45 registered conferees. Once that limit has been reached doors will remain closed during these roundtable-like discussions.

Faculty participants: Linda Bluth; Peggy Burns; Pauline Gervais Alex Robinson

Chat Rooms (4) 5:15 to 6:15 pm
Four chat rooms will be available; attendance numbers are not limited in the chat rooms.

Chat Rooms are: OT/PT/Transporter; Head Start; Child Safety Restraint Systems; and Behavior

TUESDAY, MARCH 7

exhibition 8 am to 1 pm

AFTERNOON BREAKOUTS (Concurrent) 1:30 to 5 pm

Track A:
IDEIA – New Rules, Must Do's & In's, Outs & Subtleties of the 10-day Rule 1:30 to 3 pm
Peggy Burns, Esq., Adams 12 Five Star Schools

Things you Must Know about Transportation & NCLB 3:15 to 4:15 pm
Pauline Gervais, Adams 12 Five Star Schools

How to Arrive at a Position You Can Defend 4:30 to 5:30 pm
Linda Bluth, Maryland Dept. of Education, and Peggy Burns

Track B:
Meeting the Challenges of LRE: Selecting the Right Occupant Restraint 1:30 to 3 pm

Sue Shutrump, Trumbull County ESC
CSRS Care, Management 3:15 to 4:15 pm
Kathy Strotmeyer, American Academy of Pediatrics

Close Encounters with Alien Wheelchairs 4:30 to 5:30 pm
Kathy Furneaux, PTSI, and Jean Zimmerman, Palm Beach County SD

Track C:
Working with Teachers & Parents to Find Solutions 1:30 to 3 pm

Alex Robinson, San Diego USD

Overcoming Cultural & Linguistic Challenges 3:15 to 4:15 pm
Marilyn Bello-Ruiz, Project Director, Family Network on Disabilities of Florida

The "Whys" Behind Best Practice Recommendations and Some "Why Nots" 4:30 to 5:30 pm
Charlie Hood, Florida Dept. of Education, and National Congress Chair

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

HOW WELL DO YOU MEASURE UP? 8 to 10:45 am

Self-Assess your Program with this Special Needs Compliance Checklist 8 to 9:30 am
Kathy Furneaux, PTSI

Are You Thinking Outside the Box & Finding Solutions in Unlikely Places? 9:45 to 10:45 am
Alex Robinson and panelists

Conference Adjourns 10:45 to 11 am

The Conference Registration Desk at the Doubletree Hotel opens Friday, March 3 from 1 pm to 6 pm and is open daily thereafter at 7 am.

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