



MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 30, 2021

TO: Federal Education Program Administrators

FROM: Maria Longa and Marjorie Murray
President, FASFEPA Director, ECTAC

**RE: UPDATE: 2021/2022 FASFEPA and ECTAC Fall Technical Assistance Forum
September 14, 2021 and September 15, 2021**

After monitoring the COVID-19 cases across the state of Florida and receiving numerous inquiries and concerns from many of you over meeting in-person for the Fall Forum, the FASFEPA Board met on Friday afternoon, August 27, 2021, to review the results of a survey conducted of FASFEPA members and Forum registrants. The overwhelming majority of those who returned the survey expressed a preference for a virtual Fall Forum. After a lengthy discussion, the FASFEPA Board made the decision to err on the side of caution and to protect the health and safety of our FASFEPA members by moving the 2021-2022 FASFEPA/ECTAC Fall Forum to a virtual format. As a Board, and personally, we are saddened to not have an opportunity to meet in person. We were looking forward to being reunited at the Rosen Centre. Although we are all very anxious to meet in-person again, it is not the right time to bring a large number of people together in a group.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause anyone and are hoping that you will continue your plans to participate. We have the same great content and opportunity for Q&A planned though we have condensed some sessions to minimize the time.

Attached is the revised draft agenda reflecting the virtual format. The final agenda with the embedded links will be e-mailed by Friday, September 10, 2021, to all registered and paid participants.

The registration fee for the 2021-2022 FASFEPA/ECTAC **Virtual** Fall Forum is \$200 (Registration fee includes 2021-22 FASFEPA and NAFEPA memberships.)

- If you have already registered and paid the \$275 registration fee, you will be reimbursed \$75. You do not need to re-register.
- If you have not yet registered and want to participate, you can register at [Fall Forum Registration](#). If you register and pay by 5:00 pm Friday, September 3, 2021, the registration fee is \$200. The late registration fee (after 5:00 pm on Friday, September 3, 2021) will be \$300.
- The registration fee includes 2021-2022 FASFEPA and NAFEPA memberships for the registrant. Also, the registration fee is used to pay for the annual FASFEPA scholarships which award \$1,500 to each of the twenty-three recipients (students as they attend college, paraprofessionals who are enrolled in a post-secondary teacher preparation program, and teachers and other staff enrolled in a post-graduate degree program in Educational Leadership).
- No refunds will be granted after September 6, 2021.

If you are registered at the Rosen Centre Hotel, the Hotel will do a blanket cancellation of all of the reservations that are in our block. If you made a reservation outside of the FASFEPa block, you will need to cancel your own reservation.

The Breakout Sessions with the Florida Department of Education on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, will be facilitated by FASFEPa Board Members and are specifically designed as facilitated Q&A Sessions. If you have not had a chance to review the FDOE Back to School Kickoff Presentations on the Florida CIMs site, you can click on the link [FDOE's Back to School Kickoff presentations](#), then click on K12 ESEA Federal Programs and you can download and view the presentations.

If you have any questions after viewing the presentations or questions for any of the program areas, please click [here](#) to submit your questions via the survey. The questions will be shared anonymously with FDOE staff and addressed during the Breakout Sessions.

We look forward to your participation in the Forum.

If you have any questions regarding the 2021/2022 FASFEPa/ECTAC Fall Forum, please contact:

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