

REGISTRATION ANNOUNCEMENT

The Southwest Consortium of Indian Head Start Programs, Inc. presents the

28th Native American Child and Family Conference

NACFC '09

Nurturing the Spirit of Our Native Children

The Southwest Consortium's Board of Directors is inviting all American Indian and Alaska Native Head Start, Early Head Start and Child Care programs to attend the **28th Native American Child and Family Conference** to be held in **Santa Fe, NM**, from **March 1-5, 2008** at the **Hilton Santa Fe Golf Resort & Spa at Buffalo Thunder**. Pre-intensives will be held on Sunday, March 1st, and Monday, March 2nd.

Registration Fees	Conf. Early (by Feb 12)	\$175	Conf. One Day	\$100
	Conf. Late (after Feb 12)	\$250	Pre-Intensive	\$100 (or only \$50 with combo)

March 2009						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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Hotel Registration

A block of rooms has been reserved under the group code "SWC." Please refer to this code when making your reservations. The **deadline** for hotel reservations is **Thursday, February 12, 2009**. Room rate and availability cannot be guaranteed after this date.

Hotel Rates: \$86.00, Additional Person \$20 (plus 10.88% tax).

Hilton Santa Fe Golf Resort & Spa at Buffalo Thunder

20 Buffalo Thunder Trail, Santa Fe, NM 87506

Call 505-819-2121 and make your hotel reservations today!

Goal and Objectives of the NACFC

The **goal** of the Native American Child and Family Conference is to provide Head Start, Early Head Start, and Child Care programs with training opportunities to build their capacity in providing quality services.

There are three **Conference objectives**:

To **provide quality workshops** targeted toward building the knowledge base and beginning skills of front-line staff working directly with children and their families.

To **increase the knowledge base** of program management staff in order to provide quality early childhood development services.

To **provide a learning environment** for sharing among programs for the benefit of young children moving to become future leaders in their communities.



It is our vision that during the annual Native American Child and Family Conference, we will share the best of our programs and re-affirm our dedication and commitment to quality Head Start programs.

Conference Agenda

Sunday, March 1	
9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.	Pre-Intensives
Monday, March 2	
9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.	Pre-Intensives
Tuesday, March 3	
8:30 a.m.—10:00 a.m.	Opening Session
10:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.	Workshops
1:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.	Workshops
3:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.	Workshops
Wednesday, March 4	
8:30 a.m.—10:00 a.m.	General Session
10:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.	Workshops
1:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.	Workshops
3:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.	Workshops
6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.	Banquet
Thursday, March 5	
8:30 a.m.—10:00 a.m.	Workshops
10:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.	Closing Session

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Pre-Conference Intensive Workshops

The Pre-Conference Intensives provide in-depth, two-day training on important topics for program managers and staff. This year Pre-Intensives will be offered on **Sunday through Monday, March 1-2 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Plan on attending and taking advantage of these concentrated training opportunities.

Preparing for Children with Challenging Behavior

Walt Davis, Indian Health Service – Head Start Program

This two day training will assist Head Start programs in establishing a positive foundation when providing support to children and families with challenging behaviors. During the training, participants will learn effective strategies for preventing challenging behavior, facilitating children's social emotional development, observing children and identifying the meaning of the behavior, and developing behavior support plans. Join us in learning strategies to regain calm in your classroom.

The Head Start Framework of Managing Systems

Toni Dobrec, Mavany Verdugo, Lynn Sanger

This session will present the systems approach to the Head Start management process. The parallel systems and methods for facilitating the management process will be discussed. This will include: service delivery systems, management support systems and program delivery systems. We will examine the techniques and methods used by experienced Head Start directors and managers for effectively and productively managing the core Head Start management support systems. Participants will have an opportunity to dialogue with Head Start management staff who will share lessons learned from their struggles, frustrations and "we finally got it" experiences.

Early Math: Ideas You Can Count On

National Head Start Family Literacy Center

Come explore math activities, experiences and learning environments for young children! This research-based session will raise awareness about children's learning in all of the math domain elements in the Head Start Outcomes Framework. Hands-on approaches using photographs, video clips, activities, and guided discussions will give participants valuable strategies that support young children's math learning.

Part I: Overview of Mathematics in the Early Years aims to illustrate the connections between mathematics with other Head Start domains and everyday life; review a general, birth-to-five developmental continua in mathematics in the areas of number and operations, geometry and spatial sense, measurement, and patterns; and showcase math activities and strategies to use with children and families.

Part II: Number and Operations will focus on the Head Start domain element of number and operations, mainly with preschool age children, 3 to 5 years old. Participants will take an in-depth look at how children learn to count and use numbers in their early years. The session will also introduce both general strategies and specific activities that support young children and their developing number sense.



25¢ Auction

Back again this year is the 25¢ Auction and your help is needed with items for this event. Cultural items are recommended, but all donations are welcome. The "auction" works like this: Tickets can be bought for 25¢ each. You can buy as many tickets as you like for each item. One winner will be drawn for each item. The proceeds will help support the Conference.

DOOR PRIZES will be given during the Conference. Please plan to bring several from your program.

Traditional Clothing Pageant Join us for the NACFC Traditional Clothing Pageant on Wednesday evening, March 4, during the conference banquet. All conference attendees are invited to participate in this exciting event. Prizes will be awarded, and more information will be sent out at a later date. Share your native spirit!

Also, show your pride in tribal Head Start by bringing your

HEAD START BANNER to the conference! Banners will be displayed in the general session room during the week.

Transportation from Albuquerque International Airport to the Hilton Santa Fe

If you are flying to Albuquerque to attend the conference, you will need to take a shuttle from the airport to the hotel. Below are two transportation services that you can use.

Twin Hearts Express **\$35**

575-751-1201

Round trip shuttle service. Four departures daily.

Roadrunner Shuttle Services **\$50**

505-424-3367

Door to door service. **(price decreases if more than on person)**

Please call ahead and make reservations if you plan to use one of these services.



Conference Coordinators

Three Feathers Associates

Three Feathers Associates, Management Consultant Service, continues to provide the facilitation for the NACFC. As the Conference Coordinators, TFA works with the SWC Board of Directors in planning and organizing the Conference and has assisted the SWC in reaching its goals and objectives to provide quality training for Head Start, Early Head Start and Child Care providers.

Telephone TFA Conference Coordinators if you have questions and need further instructions for hotel reservations or Conference registration at 405-360-2919.



Registration Form

The Southwest Consortium of Indian Head Start Programs, Inc.

“Nurturing the Spirit of Our Native Children”

28th Native American Child and Family Conference – March 1-5, 2008

Hilton Santa Fe Golf Resort & Spa at Buffalo Thunder, Santa Fe, NM

Please print or type clearly. **Return by: FEB 12, 2008** NO REFUNDS – Only Substitutions

Registrant Name: _____

Title/Position: _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Leader | <input type="checkbox"/> Program Mgr/Coord. | <input type="checkbox"/> Policy Council Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Head Start Director | <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching Staff | <input type="checkbox"/> Parent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Care Director | <input type="checkbox"/> Head Start Staff | <input type="checkbox"/> Friend |

Program Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Please Choose One:	
<input type="checkbox"/> \$175	Early (By Feb 12, 2009) Main Conference Registration <i>This registration is for the main conference only, March 3, 4 & 5, 2009</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> \$225	Early Combo Special! Register for both the Main Conference and a Pre-Intensive and save \$50! <i>This registration is for a Pre-Intensive, March 1 & 2 and Main Conference, March 3, 4 & 5, 2009. You must select a Pre-Intensive below.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	Late (After Feb 12, 2009) Main Conference Registration <i>This registration is for the main conference only, March 3, 4 & 5, 2009</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> \$300	Late Combo Special! Register for both the Main Conference and a Pre-Intensive and save \$50! <i>This registration is for a Pre-Intensive, March 1 & 2 and Main Conference, March 3, 4 & 5, 2009. You must select a Pre-Intensive below.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> \$100	One Day Registration <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday -OR- <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday <i>This registration is for one day only of the Main Conference</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> \$100	Pre-Intensive Registration <i>This registration is for a Pre-Intensive only, March 1 & 2, 2009. You must select a Pre-Intensive below.</i>

If you are registering for a Pre-Intensive, please choose one:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Head Start Framework of Managing Systems
<input type="checkbox"/>	Early Math: Ideas You Can Count On
<input type="checkbox"/>	Preparing for Children with Challenging Behavior

Method of Payment: Check made out to SWC Visa MasterCard

Credit Card # _____ Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

FAX TO: 405-360-3069

MAIL TO: NACFC, P.O. Box 5508, Norman, OK 73070

PHONE: 405-360-2919

EIN# 85-0343380

Do not mail payment after February 20, 2009. Notify us of changes or substitutions as soon as possible.