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Florida Professional Association
of Staffing Specialists

GREETINGS FROM FL-PASS PRESIDENT

Cheryl Acevedo

My name is Cheryl Acevedo, from North Fort Myers, located in Lee County. It's my honor to serve as your FL-PASS president for the 2020-2021 school year. This will surely be a challenging and unique year for each of us, as we join our district and school-based teams to respond to COVID-19. I pray that you stay safe and flexible during these months. When I'm not serving as a staffing specialist, I love spending time with family; which includes my husband, aging parents, two grown sons, daughter-in-law and four adorable grandchildren. My joy increases with time spent outdoors, traveling, and laughing with girlfriends. During my 25 years in education, I have worked in Palm Beach and Lee Counties. I have taught ESE students in self-contained and inclusion classrooms Kindergarten through Grade 12. As a staffing specialist the past 10 years, I'm sure you've found it difficult to keep up with the complexities, ever-changing rules and regulations required to serve our state, districts, communities, schools, families and most importantly our children with disabilities. Our influence reaches beyond just students with IEPs! We are advocates for all children, so that they are included, protected, respected, and "seen" by everyone. Throughout the state our titles may vary, but our mission is the same: to ensure compliance, service, and education to all students at their individual point of need.



For these reasons, attending the FL-PASS conference has been a non-negotiable for me. I find it to be a fabulous way to meet with old and new friends, get the latest on legislative updates, share and obtain ideas and renew my energy and passion for my profession. I truly hope you will consider joining our membership and attending our future conferences.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Acevedo
Staffing Specialist
FL-PASS President

Conference Information

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FLDOE Continues to Promote FL-PASS Conference

Within the FLDOE, the Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services (BEES) will continue to coordinate training for district staffing/compliance contacts. At this time we are working in conjunction with the FLDOE to partner with FL-PASS on October 15, 2020 to address building compliance for transition age students. This would be a free virtual workshop via Zoom. FL-PASS will email more information as it comes available.

JOIN THE FL-PASS ORGANIZATION

The FL-PASS Executive Board is excited to announce that the paid memberships for all current members will be honored through June 30, 2021. The Board unanimously agreed to extend all current memberships to June 30, 2021 due to the difficulties created by Covid-19 and the cancellation of the annual conference during the 2019-2020 school year. The Florida Professional Association of Staffing Specialists executive board would like to increase the membership in order to remain an active and vital organization. As a member of this professional organization, you will have opportunities to network with other professionals, receive monthly newsletters with important information, receive conference discounts as well as vote for important topics during our annual business meeting. Membership dues are used to plan and deliver a well-organized, enriching and professional annual conference in conjunction with the FLDOE. FL-PASS members are also eligible to vote for candidates running for seats on the executive board in addition to any proposed changes to the FL-PASS Constitution and By-laws.

Please don't hesitate another day! FL-PASS wants you! Submit your membership application. You may do so by visiting the FL-PASS website at www.flpass.org or completing the membership application form in this newsletter.

Join by December 31, 2020 to be considered a member in good standing.



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FL-PASS Membership Application

Dues valid: July 1, 2020– June 30, 2021

Annual dues are \$35.00

*****Membership dues must be paid prior to December 31, 2020***
in order to receive conference discount.

Name: _____

Work E-Mail: _____

(Please PRINT e-mail address.) (Information from FL-PASS will be sent to this address.)

Alternate E-Mail address: _____

Work Telephone Number: _____

Cell Telephone Number (optional): _____

School District/County: _____

Job Title: _____

Mailing address: _____

Make checks payable to:

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Date Payment Received _____ **Method:** _____

Type of payment Cash \$ _____ **Check #** _____

Certificate of Membership sent: _____