

# THE GRAPEVINE

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Let's Ring in the New Year with Great Cheer!

January 2020

## President's Message: Blessings Everyone!

Can you believe that we are fast approaching the beginning of 2020? As the year 2019 ends, I'm so grateful for a joyous holiday season. Let us all reflect on remembering our loved ones who will not be with us, but always remember their memories will live forever.

Check your emails for a recent FFCCHA blast, "Office of Childcare Regulations" (2020) Legislative "Tracking Chart." Please read this valuable information to know and be aware of what is going on with legislation and childcare licensing standards (DCF).

The Executive Committee is committed towards continuing our FFCCHA Mission. Communication is defined as "processing and passing information and understanding from one person to another, sharing ideas, opinions, facts, or values" and the list goes on. FFCCHA members, let us unite as one! FFCCHA has **volunteer positions that are still open**, and WE need you to join by filling out your application NOW.

Thank You, Janeth B. Trujillo, for presenting "Every Day Matters" at our November training. There was a lot of interaction and collaboration, strategic navigating and learning more on making a difference in the lives of our children as well as providers.

The Executive Committee Members, Chapter Reps, Area Reps, and non-chair board members would love to see everyone at our quarterly meetings. First- and second-time visitors, **WE LOVE YOU** and look forward to seeing you on February 29, 2020 for our annual Leadership Summit in Ocala which has great information for EVERYONE!

Check your Grapevine newsletter or our FFCCHA website for upcoming events, including conferences, scholarships, and information that will surely be beneficial to everyone.

*"What is Christmas? It is tenderness for the past, courage for the present, hope for the future. It is a fervent wish that every cup may overflow with blessings rich and eternal, and that every path may lead to peace."* (Agnes M. Pharo).

**Happy New Year 2020!!**

Lois Kendrick

FFCCHA President

## Mensaje de Nuestra Presidente: Bendiciones a todos!

Puedes imaginar que tan pronto nos estamos acercando al comienzo del año 2020? A medida que termina el año 2019, estoy muy agradecida por una alegre temporada de días festivos. Reflexionemos todos sobre el recuerdo de nuestros seres queridos que no estarán con nosotros, pero que sus recuerdos viviran para siempre.

Revisen sus correos electrónicos para una explosión reciente de FFCCHA, "Oficina de Regulaciones de Cuidado Infantil" (2020) Gráfico de seguimiento" legislativo. Por favor lea esta valiosa información para saber y conocer lo que está sucediendo con la legislación y las normas de licencias de cuidado infantil (DCF).

El Comité Ejecutivo se compromete a continuar nuestra Misión FFCCHA. La comunicación se define como "procesar y pasar información y entenderse entre una persona a otra, compartir ideas, opiniones, hechos o valores" y la lista continúa. Miembros de la FFCCHA, ¡unámonos en un solo sentir! FFCCHA tiene puestos de voluntarios que todavía están abiertos, y necesitamos que se unan llenando su solicitud AHORA.

Gracias a Janeth B. Trujillo por presentar "Todos los días son importantes" en nuestro entrenamiento de noviembre. Hubo mucha interacción y colaboración, navegación estratégica y sobre todo aprender más sobre cómo hacer la diferencia en la vida de nuestros hijos, así como en la de las proveedoras.

A los miembros del Comité Ejecutivo, las Representantes de Capítulo, las Representantes de Área y los miembros no-presidentes de la junta directiva les encantaría verles a todas en nuestras reuniones trimestrales. ¡Visitantes por primera y segunda vez, TE AMAMOS y esperamos verte el 29 de febrero de 2020 en nuestra reunión anual de Liderazgo en Ocala que tiene gran información para TODOS!

Consulte su boletín de Grapevine o nuestro sitio web de FFCCHA para conocer los próximos eventos, incluyendo conferencias, becas e información que seguramente será beneficiosa para todos.

*"¿Qué es la Navidad? Es ternura del pasado, coraje para el presente, esperanza para el futuro. Es un ferviente deseo que cada copa se desborde de bendiciones ricas y eternas, y que todo camino pueda conducir a la paz."* (Agnes M. Pharo).

**Feliz Año Nuevo 2020!**

Lois Kendrick



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## Credential Scholarship News

By Abbie Bill, Scholarship Chair

### 8 Scholarships were awarded totaling \$2,590 October 1- December 31, 2019

\$315.00 NAFCC Self Study: Annette Anderson  
\$325.00 NAFCC New Accreditation: Dayna Curry Renee Graham  
\$325.00 NAFCC Re-Accreditation: Lyria Allen, Ramona Fobbs, Aleta Ford, Victoria Morgan, Delores Penn

NAFCC recommends your paperwork and funds for reaccreditation, be submitted 6 months prior to your renewal date. This is to avoid a lapse in Accreditation.

Scholarships are available **NOW!** Applications are in *The Grapevine* and online at [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org)



## November Meeting News

Submitted by Renie Roach, Secretary

There were 25 in attendance at the November 2, 2019, quarterly meeting and training in Ocala. Three were first timers who were welcomed by everyone.

A motion passed to approve the appointment of **Alma Diaz** as the new Latino Liaison officer. A motion was made and approved to begin the use of FFCCHA emails for officers. These emails will be optional for individual officers ending in [FamilyChildCare.org](http://FamilyChildCare.org) and will be routed through personal emails.

A great takeaway from our training was to **EMPOWER yourself, VALUE yourself, and to TEACH yourself** everything you possibly can to be more efficient in business and in life.

Thanks to everyone who donated door prizes for the training. A special thanks goes to **Discount School Supply** for donating several very large items. And thanks to Adrienne for delivering the large items to Ocala.



## Members of FFCCHA who serve on Early Learning Coalitions:

**Karan Hiester** – ELC of Flagler/Volusia County

**Gwen Wilson** – ELC of Marion County

**Naomi Helligar** – ELC of Osceola County

**Nichola Griffin/Butts** - ELC of Palm Beach Cty

## Other Boards / Councils

**Mary Morris** – Palm Beach County Health Department Child Care Advisory Council and Palm Beach State College Advisory Council

**Tammy Tener** – Seminole State College Early Childhood Advisory Committee

**Kathy Jones** - Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners Family Child Care Home Advisory Board

**Arleen Lambert** - Miami Dade College Early Childhood Education Advisory Committee

## Ways to Support FFCCHA

From Fundraising Chair Gertrude Freeman-Ford

Here are some ways **YOU** can support FFCCHA just by shopping through these links!

**Amazon Smile** - Support FFCCHA every time you shop, through the link. Share with others! <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/65-0392120>.

**Benevity.org** - FFCCHA is registered with [www.causes.benevity.org](http://www.causes.benevity.org) and is eligible to receive donations and matching corporate donations.

**Coin Rally** – Keep a container near your entry way to collect loose change from your parent clients to bring to quarterly meeting.

**Green Table** – continue to bring your child care items to Ocala to donate for resale.





**Events Calendar 2019-2020****January 2020**

- 10 FFCCHA Board Applications Due**  
**Apply for FFCCHA Board Applications for 2-year terms to start July 1, 2020:** Secretary, Membership, Chapter Rep Coordinator, Legislative Liaison, Professional Development, Treasurer
- 16 Deadline for FFCCHA Conference Workshop Proposals**
- 18 Deadline for Parent Sponsor Hands for Capital**
- 25 ELC of Pinellas County ECE Conference at St. Petersburg College, Clearwater**
- 26 Hanging of the Hands in Capitol, Tallahassee**
- 27 Children's Week Advocacy Dinner, Tallahassee**
- 28 Children's Day at Capitol, Tallahassee**

**February**

- 17 Deadline for FFCCHA April Newsletter**
- 28 FFCCHA Executive Committee Meeting, Ocala**
- 29 FFCCHA Leadership Summit, Ocala**

**March**

- 4-6 FL Head Start Conference, Doubletree by Hilton at Universal Studio Entrance**
- 10 Deadline for FFCCHA Parent Choice Awards**
- 20 Deadline for FFCCHA Outstanding Accredited Provider Award**
- 28 Early Childhood Conference, College of Central FL, Ocala**
- 30 Deadline for FFCCHA Essay Awards: Hall of Fame, AHAP, Outstanding Chapter**

**April**

- 17 FFCCHA Conference Team Meeting, Ocala**
- 18 FFCCHA Full Board Meeting**
- 18 FFCCHA Training / Hostess Orientation**
- 25 North Florida Conference, Jacksonville**

**May**

- 5 Deadline for FFCCHA Photo Contest**
- 8 National Provider Appreciation Day**
- 10 Deadline for FFCCHA July Newsletter**

**Public Relations Report**

Submitted by Lula Owens

Do you have a local conference or meeting coming up soon? Don't forget the display table! We have display boards, brochures and flyers available in both English and Spanish. Remember to reserve your display items in advance by contacting me to bring to a quarterly meeting.

No time to wait for delivery or can't pick them up? Find these things listed under the Publications page on FFCCHA's website [www.FamilyChildCare.org](http://www.FamilyChildCare.org) and print directly from there. Don't forget to take advantage of Advertising your business in our quarterly newsletter, the Grapevine, as well.

For more information, please contact Lula Owens (904)779-9988 or [lulafrank@bellsouth.net](mailto:lulafrank@bellsouth.net).

**Winter Membership News**

Membership Officer – Amanda Wallace

**Congratulations to our Membership Drive Winners!!**

The Monthly Membership Drive :  
**Quality FHCC Provider Association (September)**  
**FCCPA of Miami-Dade County (October)**  
**Palm Beach County FCC Association (November)**

The winners for the current Membership Drive will be announced during at the next Full Board Meeting at our Summit in February. Remember, recognition is given to the Chapter that submits the most new members or renewals, or even advocate members monthly. Providers who submit the most new parent members are also acknowledged each month.

Please renew your membership before it expires to avoid a lapse in your membership. Your expiration date is located on the back of FFCCHA's newsletter, *The Grapevine*, just above your name on the address label. All FFCCHA Members can join NAFCC at a \$5 discounted rate through your local Chapter.

**Membership breakdown as of 10/31/2019:**

Chapters: 18	Chapter Providers: 356
Co-Providers: 34	Individual Members: 20
Advocates: 19	Parent Members: 17
Lifetime & Honorary Members: 12	
Agencies: 0	
<b>Total: 476</b>	

**Thank you for your patience and assistance!** For more info, please email:

[membership@familychildcare.org](mailto:membership@familychildcare.org)

**Noticias Del Concilio Latino**

Submitted by Alma Diaz, Latino Liaison

Mi nombre es Alma J. Diaz, es para mi un honor y agradezco a la directiva estatal por darme esta gran oportunidad de ser su representante latina. Es mi deseo poderles ayudar en lo que necesiten y llegar a tener una cerca relación con cada una de uds. y asi conocerlas más.

Trabajaremos unidas y asi poder tener voz defendiendo nuestros derechos como hispanas que somos. Mi mayor deseo es que crezcamos en conocimiento y cantidad para asi ayudar a otras mujeres y traerlas para unirse a nosotras. Esta es tu oportunidad de hacerte conocer como empresaria y ayudarnos a cumplir tus deseos y sueños.

Les deseo mucha prosperidad, bendiciones y paz en el año 2020. Si necesitas comunicarte conmigo lo puedes hacer via correo electrónico a [latinolaision@familychildcare.org](mailto:latinolaision@familychildcare.org) o al teléfono 305)467-2560.

Con mucho cariño Alma Jeannette Diaz



## TALK OF THE TOWN AREA 5 - Gadsden County

### ANNETTE SPEED-CREWS

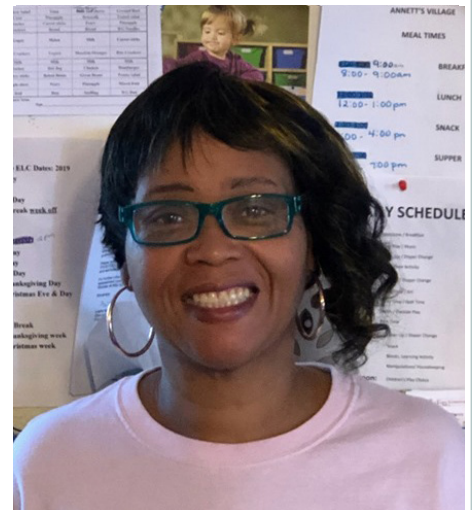
Annette has been married for 21 years to her husband, Tracy Crews, and has one son Jordan. She is the oldest of four girls. She started Annette's Village Family Child Care in 2015 and named it that because her mother always said "It takes a village to raise a child". In her spare time, Annette is a wedding planner and party planner.

As a teenager, she made her money babysitting, and got her first official job working at a daycare when she was 18 years old. What motivated her to start her own family child care was while she was teaching VPK at a local school in her town, the directors wanted her to start working with the older children. She realized she liked working with the younger children more, and knew she had to do something, so Annette's Village was born.

Annette thinks her business is unique because she has worked with the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation to help Special Needs workers get on the job training. She has been in business for 4 and a half years and is hoping to be an Accredited Provider within the next year!

Annette is the Treasurer of her local Chapter of FFCCHA. She enjoys sewing, watching movies and shopping. She is involved in two organizations. The first one is "Jordan's Fight Against Strokes," as her son had a stroke at 14 years old - and he is now in his second year of college! The second organization is Club L.I.T. "League of Intelligent Teenagers".

Annette has earned her AS Degree in Early Childhood Education. She would like to thank the most High God for helping her and her business prosper.

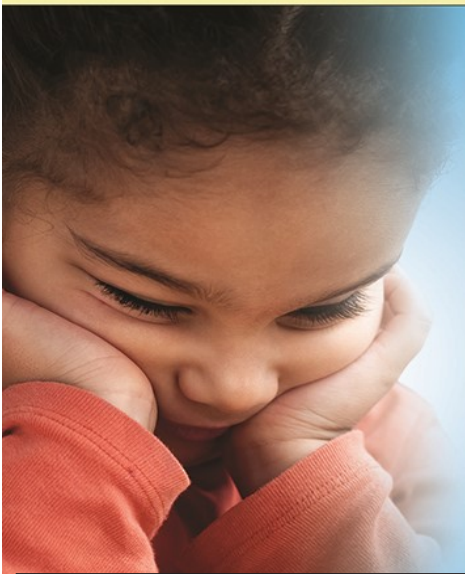


*Please submit a "Talk of the Town" article about someone special from Areas 10 –17 for the April Issue.*

*Submissions must be submitted by February 17th, 2020 to the Newsletter Editor: Wendy Corso-Ruud at ruud3@aol.com Thank you!*



## Trauma-Informed Care for Child Care Program Directors (TICD)



The Department of Children and Families Office of Child Care Regulation is offering a new instructor-led course, *Trauma-Informed Care for Child Care Program Directors*. The goal of the course is to assist child care programs in implementing trauma-informed care for the families they serve. This is a multi-session course, which will require the completion of outside assignments and readings. Upon completion of this course, child care program directors will form a community of practice and will be able to:

- Recognize the signs of trauma impacting children
- Examine the importance of self-care
- Apply tools to help children regulate emotions and behaviors
- Evaluate the physical learning environment for trauma-sensitive supports
- Develop a plan for creating a trauma-sensitive program

This course can be used to meet the Florida Director Credential Renewal requirements. To access this course, go to

<https://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/child-care/>

and select "Training & Credentialing."





# Save the Date!



**Enhancing Our Minds... in 2020**

**FFCCHA**  
28<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference | June 24-28, 2020  
Sheraton Sand Key Resort • 1160 Gulf Boulevard • Clearwater Beach, FL 33767

**Wednesday-Thursday Pre-Conference**  
FFCCHA Certified M.E.N.T.O.R. Training • Curriculum Training and more!

**Friday Luncheon Keynote**  
with FFCCHA Awards and Workshops

**Saturday Keynote**  
with NAFCC Accredited Provider Recognition and Workshops

**Concilio Latino y Talleres en Español**  
Provider Celebration on Saturday Night!

**Sunday Breakfast Keynote**  
with FFCCHA General Meeting

Visit [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org) for more conference updates!  
Visit [sheratonsandkey.com](http://sheratonsandkey.com) Call 727-595-1611 to reserve your hotel room today!

*Enjoy... invigorating morning walks in the sand; inspiring, motivating workshops during the day; and relaxing evening of beautiful sunsets on the Gulf*




## MENTOR News

Abbie Bill, Mentor Program Chair

The next **Mentor Training** will be held in June 2020 at our annual conference in Clearwater Beach. The training will be Wednesday, June 24, 8am-5pm, and Thursday, June 25, 8am-noon.

Contact me for applications for the Training or if you have any questions.

**Questions?** E-mail [flmentorpgm@aol.com](mailto:flmentorpgm@aol.com) or call 561-482-6038



## Chapter News

Submitted by Bernie Heikkila, Chapter Coordinator

### Congratulations to the Chapter Rep of the Quarter!

Mary Morris

Palm Beach County Child Care Association



Our November 2, 2019 Chapter Rep quarterly meeting went very well. All the Chapter Reps who attended the FFCCHA quarterly meeting have handed in all their paperwork and are currently working on getting providers to join their local association and to expand their membership.

I am very proud of how dedicated and professional FFCCHA Chapter Reps are. I am looking forward seeing everyone at the FFCCHA Annual Leadership Summit on Saturday February 29, 2020, which will be held at ELC Marion County in Ocala, FL.

Once again, we have started the "Chapter Challenge". The top three Chapters will be announced at the FFCCHA Annual Conference on Saturday June 27, 2020, at the closing ceremony and will receive

\$25.00 each for their Chapter Association. Chapter Reps. are required to mail or hand-in in person all their quarterly reports at each FFCCHA quarterly meeting.

For Chapter info: contact Bernie Heikkila at: [weluvkids@comcast.net](mailto:weluvkids@comcast.net) or call 941-371-0344

## Area Rep News

Submitted by Lucinda Hightower, Area Rep Coordinator

**Good Work!**

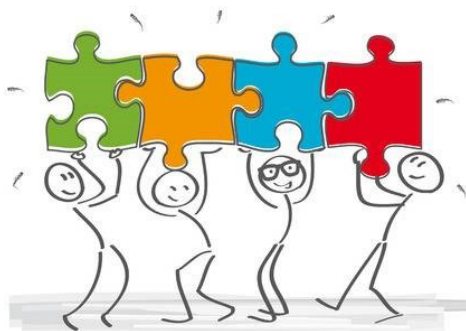
Congratulations to All the Area Reps

You are doing a fabulous job...  
**KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!**

Let your Voice be heard in the New Year!  
"Come **JOIN** the Area Rep Family" and  
Be a **VOICE** for YOUR **AREA**!!!

We are currently looking for new Area Representatives for the following Areas:  
1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 30.

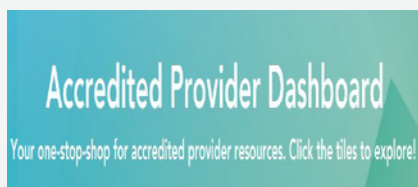
If you like working as an Advocate in your community, sharing resources and networking, this is the perfect job for you. Please contact Lucinda Hightower 904-475-0458 or email: [1thechildcareprovider@gmail.com](mailto:1thechildcareprovider@gmail.com)



## NAFCC News

According to the National Association for Family Child Care Accreditation Manager, Alicia Platt, a new dashboard has been rolled out for Accredited Providers!

Providers can look up all sorts of answers to questions, such as "How long does my paperwork take?" by just clicking on the available tabs. To check it out, go to [www.NAFCC.org/mydashboard](http://www.NAFCC.org/mydashboard).



## Congratulations to these recently ACCREDITED or Re-Accredited Providers!!

Lorraine Abrahams, Ollie Anderson, Tamara Castellanos, Cathy Curry, Evvie Fashaw, Mary Funderbunk, Lois Kendrick, Bernadette Jones, Ruby Maldonado, Mary Morris, Patricia Oliver, Juana Rodriguez, and Lisa Williams

*Way to go!*



## **PARENTS: Nominate *your* Provider for the Parent Choice Award!!**

Do you think your family child care provider is a very special person who goes **above and beyond** your expectations? If so, then please submit a short essay (300 words or less) titled **"My Provider is Outstanding"** (describe in detail specifically how, what, or why) to: FFCCHA Awards, 2050 Ryan Road, St Augustine, FL 32092 postmarked **by March 10, 2020** or email to [renieroach@yahoo.com](mailto:renieroach@yahoo.com) and type **PARENT CHOICE** in the subject line. Be sure to include the full name of your provider and the complete contact information with the full name of the parent submitting the essay. A form is available on the Conference Page on our website [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org).

Three winners will be selected and recognized at the FFCCHA Conference Luncheon on Friday, June 26 in Clearwater Beach. The provider winners will each receive one complimentary hotel night accommodation at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort during the FFCCHA 2020 conference!



## **NAFCC Accredited Providers: Apply for an Award!**

The **Outstanding Accredited Provider Award** is given to one FFCCHA provider chapter member **currently** accredited by the National Association for Family Child Care (NAFCC). Accredited Providers must submit a short essay (300 words or less) titled **"My Accredited Program is Outstanding.."** to FFCCHA Awards, 2050 Ryan Road, St Augustine, FL 32092 postmarked **by March 20, 2020** or email to [renieroach@yahoo.com](mailto:renieroach@yahoo.com) and type **OUTSTANDING ACCREDITED PROVIDER** in the subject line. Describe specific details of what makes your program unique and outstanding. Be sure to include your full name and complete contact information as well as your local FFCCHA chapter. A form is available on the Conference Page on our website [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org). The winner will be featured at a table display and recognized at the FFCCHA Conference during the morning General Session on Saturday, June 27 in Clearwater Beach. The winner of this award will receive one complimentary hotel night accommodation at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort during the 2020 FFCCHA conference!





## FFCCHA Professional Development LEADERSHIP SUMMIT REGISTRATION

Saturday, February 29, 2020

8:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.



The Early Learning Coalition, 2300 SW 17 Road, Ocala, FL 34471 (2 miles East of Exit 350 and I-75)

Registration Fee: **\$75.00** (\$60.00 scholarships available) **Lunch Included**

Registration forms & payment must be received by **February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020. NO REFUNDS.**

**There are a limited number of scholarships available for this training. APPLY TODAY!!**

Mail to: FFCCHA c/o Adrienne Donaldson, 1530 NW 124<sup>th</sup> Street, North Miami, FL 33167

**Make check or money order payable to: FFCCHA, Inc.** Please submit this completed form with payment (Pay only \$15 if you are a **FL Registered OR Licensed** family child care provider OR co-provider FFCCHA member & complete 30 words below).

*Note: Returned checks will be assessed \$47 in additional fees.* Any questions, please contact: FFCCHA (786) 274-2931 or

[JittaBugTrainings@gmail.com](mailto:JittaBugTrainings@gmail.com)

**Networking Lunch – Choose ONE appetizer, a Main Dish, a Drink and TWO Sides:**

**Appetizers:**

**Main:**

**Sides:**

**Drinks:**

☐ Chips & Salsa

☐ Original Chicken Crispers

☐ Steamed Broccoli

☐ Strawberry Lemonade

☐ Caesar Salad

☐ Just Bacon Burger

☐ Corn on the Cob

☐ Sweet Tea

☐ House Salad

☐ Margarita Grilled Chicken

☐ Loaded Mashed Potatoes

**Deadline: Must be received by February 14, 2020**

**Please Print:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of FCC home as listed on License/Registration \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter that you are a member of \_\_\_\_\_

**YOU MUST BE PRESENT THE ENTIRE TRAINING SESSION IN ORDER TO RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE.**

**PLEASE NOTE: Arrive as early as 7:30 am/7:45 am to sign in. Training starts promptly at 8:00 am!**

### ***“De-Stress for Success” (Eliminar el Estrés para Alcanzar el Exito)***

*Presented by Cynthia Krosky, CSP, LCSW, President of Achieving Corporate Excellence, Inc*

As self-employed businesswomen, we can experience work burnout which can affect our livelihood and businesses. This training is an interactive and proactive discussion on ways to extinguish burnout. We live in a world full of both positive and negative stressors and our lives can become out of balance. This training will help us regain focus and clarity by identifying cues and clues that make us all aware of how to keep the passion strong and focus on positivity and being our best selves. We will also learn how our reactions impact our responses to stressful situations. Learn and practice de-stressing techniques that can be used anywhere, at any time, and can help you feel more positive and energized. **(Audifonos disponibles para la traducción de la sesion.)**

**\_\_\_\_ Please check** if applying for a training scholarship. Explain on the lines below (30 words minimum) why you want to take this training and how you plan on using it in your family child care home business. **Please write neatly on lines below only.**

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*If you need an accommodation because of a disability to participate in the child care training process, contact FFCCHA at least two weeks prior to the first training date at (786) 274-2931 between 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Monday through Friday.*

**Deadline is February 14, 2020 NO REFUNDS after this date. Training fees are non-transferable. Returned checks will be assessed a \$47 fee in addition to amount of the check. Confirmation will be emailed to you by 02/21/2020.**





# FFCCHA LEADERSHIP SUMMIT and Quarterly Meeting

## Hotel Application

February 28-29, 2020

Best Western Hotel

3701 SW 38th Ave. Ocala, FL 34474 (off I-75, exit 350, go west)



Hotel reservations are for one or two (2) nights (Friday evening, February 28 & Saturday evening, February 29) while you are attending the FFCCHA Full Board meeting and Training at The Early Learning Coalition of Marion County (exit 350, go East).

**Limited number of hotel rooms available. Make your reservation early. First come, first served.**

**To qualify for room reservations, recipients must:**

- Be a FFCCHA member.
- Pre-register for the Leadership Summit and be in attendance for the entire Leadership Summit and the Full Board Meeting on February 29, 2020.
- **Complete form(s) and send so they are received no later than February 14, 2020. NO Exceptions!**
- Include full payment with this form or the application will not be accepted. **Payments will be available online via Credit Card (cc) payments. Those making payments by cash/check/MO will be given discounted prices.**

Hotel reservations must be **made by FFCCHA!** Room reservations **WILL NOT** be made without the proper form(s) and the money submitted. **Leadership Summit Training scholarship applications must be sent in with this hotel form.**

If you select **option 1 or 3 below**, please list your roommate preference. If you do not designate a roommate, one **will be assigned, if available**. All considerations will be taken in order to meet your request.

### Hotel Reservations for August 2-4, 2019 - Check ONE Option

Option 1 ☐ **Two people to a room for two nights. Each person pays \$98.00 (CC) or \$95.00 (Cash /Check)**

Option 2 ☐ **Single or Family Room for two nights. One payment of \$196.00 (CC) or \$190.00 (Cash/Check)**

Option 3 ☐ **Two people to a room for ONE night only – check: ☐ 02/28/20 or ☐ Sat 02/29/20**

Each person **pays \$49.00 (CC) or \$47.50 (Cash /Check)**

Option 4 ☐ **Single or Family Room for ONE night only - check: ☐ Fri 02/28/20 or ☐ Sat 02/29/20**

**One payment of \$98.00 (CC) or \$95.00 (Cash /Check)**

\*Add'l charges: 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> person in the room, add \$7each per night. Rollaway beds are additional \$10 per night

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Roommate Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Please Read the Following Statement ----- > Sign & Date!**

I, the undersigned, do hereby state the above information is correct to the best of my understanding. I understand that these rooms are being paid for with FFCCHA, Inc. money. Friends and family members may **NOT** use this room, unless I have chosen option # 2 or # 4. I understand that I will be assigned a roommate, if available. I understand if I do not attend the Full Board meeting, I will be responsible for the **full cost** of my hotel room. I understand my reservations will be voided if I do not abide by the guidelines of this contract.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make money order or check payable to: **FFCCHA, Inc.**

Returned checks will be assessed a \$47 fee in addition to the amount of the returned check. **NO REFUNDS.**

**Mail to: FFCCHA, 1530 NW 124<sup>th</sup> St, North Miami, FL 33167**

Any questions, please contact: FFCCHA (786)274-2931 or JittaBugTrainings@gmail.com

**Only completed form(s) with payment will be accepted and receive-by February 14 deadline will be strictly adhered to!**

*If you need an accommodation because of a disability in order to participate in the child care training process, contact FFCCHA at least two weeks prior to the first training date at (786) 274-2931 between the hours of 8:00a.m – 5:00p.m. Monday through Friday.*

Completed forms will be dated as received, in case we exceed the allotted number of FFCCHA room-block. Your hotel reservation and scholarship **confirmation will be e-mailed to you by February 21, 2020.** Please print your e-mail address clearly.

Office Only: Rec'd Payment Type Amount \$ Member Date Scholarship: Approved / Denied



## Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc. – DECEMBER 2019

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**Interested in serving as an Area Representative?**  
**Contact 904-475-0458 or e-mail: 1thechildcareprovider@gmail.com**

Area	Chapter Name	FULL BOARD Chapter Rep.	Phone	E-Mail	Meeting City
5	North Florida FCC Assoc. (7 members)	Charlene Thornton	850-980-2824	LSLCKids@yahoo.com	Big Bend Area
7	Family Child Care Assoc. of Jacksonville (25)	Lucinda Hightower	904-475-0458	1thechildcareprovider@gmail.com	Jacksonville
8,9	Putnam County FCC Provider Association (7)	Karla Carnes	904-781-4495	grammysplace@comcast.net	Rotates cities
12	Marion County FCCH Association (18)	Linda Nattiel	352-371-3301	lnattiel@bellsouth.net	Ocala
15,17,18	Central Florida Association for FCC (40)	Alethia Dittren	407-870-1569	dittren01@netzero.com	Orlando
16	Brevard Sunshine FCH Association (11)	Cheryl Guest	321-537-8751	cguest08@gmail.com	Cocoa
17	Multicultural FCCCHA of Orange Co (29)	Rendy Bethel-Avila	407-354-0840	ravila12@cfl.rr.com	Orlando
21	HCCPA of NE Hillsborough County (32)	Cynthia Robinson	813-766-4682	robinsontrainingconsultant@yahoo.com	Temple Terrace
21	Quality FHCC Provider Association (13)	Kathy Jones	813-645-2708	Kjsmunchkins@aol.com	Riverview
22	FLEXx Production Southside CCA (7)	Dorothy Jenkins	727-895-7101	Blueeyes33701@yahoo.com	St. Petersburg
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31	United Professional CC Prov. of South FL (4)	Open			Homestead
31	FCCPA of Miami-Dade County (19)	Gladys Reyes	786-704-2012	Lalyreyes252@yahoo.com	Kendall

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Contact a Chair if you would like to serve as a member of any of the above committees!			

FFCCHA: 9207 Edgemont Lane, Boca Raton, FL 33434

Phone: 954-581-1192

E-mail: info@familychildcare.org

*Passionate about your profession as a family child care provider?  
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Area Representatives: 1,2,3,4,6,8&amp;9,10,11,13,14,15,16,18,19,20,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,30

Request Area Rep applications from: Lucinda Hightower, Area Rep Coordinator

Questions? E-mail [1thechildcareprovider@gmail.com](mailto:1thechildcareprovider@gmail.com) or call 904-475-0458

**Apply by Jan 10 for Executive Committee: 2-year terms to start July 1, 2020:** Secretary, Membership, Chapter Rep Coordinator, Legislative Liaison, Professional Development, Treasurer.

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## FFCCHA Credential Scholarship Application

Requirements: Must be a Florida regulated Family Child Care Provider and a FFCCHA chapter provider member for one year without a lapse in membership

Applying for: ☐\$\_\_\_\_ ☐\$50 ☐\$160 ☐\$315 ☐\$325

- ☐ Master Provider – New  
☐ Master Provider Renewal  
☐ Certified M.E.N.T.O.R. 1  
☐ Certified M.E.N.T.O.R. 2  
☐ NAFCC Observer Refresher

- ☐ Cuatro Pasos  
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☐ NAFCC New Accreditation: Application  
☐ NAFCC Accreditation Annual Up-date  
☐ NAFCC Re-Accredit Application  
☐ NAFCC Accreditation Train-the-Trainer

*Note: \$325/person/year is the maximum awarded in time period July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020.*

*Therefore, you must commit to pay the balance on credentials that exceed \$325.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Family Child Care License: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Check all that apply: ☐Registered ☐Licensed ☐Large Licensed ☐VPK ☐CDA ☐NAFCC Accredited Since \_\_\_\_\_

Local FFCCHA Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_ Area: # \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Chapter President: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been a member of your local chapter? \_\_\_\_\_

List current leadership roles or participation in your chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

List current leadership roles or participation in FFCCHA: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been a full time family child care provider? \_\_\_\_\_

List other child care related experience: \_\_\_\_\_

What are your future plans in family child care? \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly explain how receiving this scholarship will benefit you, the children, parent clients, and/or other providers: \_\_\_\_\_

If the credential applied for exceeds \$325, how do you plan to pay for the balance? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you agree to sign a contract to return the awarded money if you fail to meet the scholarship purpose within an agreed upon deadline? ☐Yes ☐No

Please **submit this application along with 2 letters of recommendation (dated within past 6 mos.)** from any of the following: Child Care Agency, Early Learning Coalition, local FFCCHA Chapter, current parent/client from your FCC home, Food Program sponsor, Training Instructor, Licensing, Community or State College.

**Also include a copy of your current NAFCC Membership Card.**

**FFCCHA Scholarships, 9207 Edgemont Lane, Boca Raton, FL 33434**

**ALL** correspondence is by e-mail, so make sure your email is valid and check it often after applying.

**Questions? Please call Abbie Bill at 561-482-6038 or e-mail at [aright933@aol.com](mailto:aright933@aol.com)**

Office verification:

Regulation \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Member since \_\_\_\_\_ FFCCHA \_\_\_\_\_ NAFCC \_\_\_\_\_

Application Revised 07-2019



## Call for Workshop Presenters

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc.

28th Annual Conference, June 24-28, 2020

**“Enhancing Our Minds...In 2020”**

Sheraton Sand Key Resort, 1160 Gulf Blvd

Clearwater Beach, FL 33767



Workshop Proposal Applications will **ONLY be accepted via email submissions in .doc or .docx** word format or files that are typed in the computer (not handwritten and not scanned).

**Deadline: Jan. 16, 2020**

All **workshop sessions** will be **75 minutes** (1.25 hours) with 30 minute breaks in between (15 minutes right before and after workshop is allowed for set up and break down). **All set up, handout copies and visual aid expenses are the responsibility of the Presenter.**

Accepted workshops entitle **ONLY** the **primary presenter** to a **free** conference **registration**. All co-presenters will need to register and pay the registration fee. All presenters are responsible for **submitting a conference registration form in the spring** and making their own travel and hotel reservations and any other expenses incurred.

**Submissions must include ALL of the following information:**

- ☐ English Track      ☐ Spanish Track

**Short Title (2 words):** \_\_\_\_\_ for use on the At-a-Glance page in program.

In order to provide a variety of workshops, please indicate which category your workshop relates to:

- ☐ Curriculum    ☐ Health, Safety or Nutrition    ☐ Special Needs    ☐ Leadership Skills    ☐ Business Practices  
☐ Credentials    ☐ Behavior challenges    ☐ VPK    ☐ Legislation, Advocacy    ☐ Parent Involvement    ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Workshop format:**    ☐ Lecture    ☐ Discussion    ☐ Loud/noisy    ☐ PowerPoint    ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Please specify if using a PowerPoint, if so, we will assign you to a room with a screen and table with power cord.

**NOTE: You must supply your own computer and projector.**

**Preference for workshop time:**    ☐ Friday, June 26    ☐ AM or ☐ PM    ☐ Saturday, June 27    ☐ AM or ☐ PM

Please explain any type of unusual circumstances, room set up or special request.

**Resume** must contain name, contact info, educational background or credential, work history, previous workshops presented, years in child care and professional affiliations, associations, or organizations

**Submit the following information on the FFCCHA CEU form:** (request from: [info@familychildcare.org](mailto:info@familychildcare.org))

Note: Please list contact information, workshop title, and description **as you want it printed** in the Conference program book. However, FFCCHA has the right to edit all submissions.

**Primary Presenter** Name, Professional Job Title, Educational Level

**Secondary Presenter(s)** (If applicable): Name, Professional Job Title, Educational Level and all contact info

**Address** of Primary Presenter: Mailing Address, City, State, Zip

**Phone, Cell Phone and Email** of Primary Presenter

**Spanish workshop Presenters** must submit Title, Description, and outline in **both** English and Spanish.

**Title of Workshop** that clearly and concisely describes its content

**Workshop Description for Program book** (50 words or less)

**Outline and concise description of topic, listing outcome objectives and method of evaluation**

**Please submit workshop applications via email to:** [info@familychildcare.org](mailto:info@familychildcare.org)

Need more information on **HOW to ENHANCE Minds?**

**Contact Karan Hiester, Conference Coordinator**

via e-mail: [educate71@gmail.com](mailto:educate71@gmail.com) call 386-957-4482



## Call for Exhibitors, Ads, & Donations

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc.

28th Annual Conference, June 24-28, 2020

**"Enhancing Our Minds...In 2020"**

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**Business Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Website:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: Unless notified otherwise, all information listed above for Exhibitors will be in the Conference Program Book.*

**Service/Product:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Yes!** We would like to ENHANCE MINDS and be an **EXHIBITOR on June 25-27**.  
Each space includes: ONE 6 foot skirted table & one chair; **Thurs** Set-up 2-5pm & Opening 6-9pm; **Fri** 9am-5:30pm; **Sat** 9am-3:30pm (times may change) \_\_\_\_\_ # of tables X \$ \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ plus **2 door prizes (\$25 value each)**

**Deadlines:** **Early Bird** \$175 if payment received by Jan 17, 2020; Jan 18- April 30: \$200; if space available, after May 1: \$250; after June 1: \$300

**WiFi:** ☐yes ☐no **Electric** order request: ☐yes ☐no

\_\_\_\_\_ **Yes!** We would like to ENHANCE MINDS and **ADVERTISE in the conference program book**.

Email ads in color in **jpg** format. Deadline: **April 17, 2020**

☐ **Business Card** \$50 ☐ **1/4 page** \$75 (3 1/2"x5") ☐ **1/2 page** \$125 (7 1/2"x5")  
☐ **3/4 page** \$175 (7 1/2"x7") ☐ **Full page** \$225 (7 1/2"x10")

\_\_\_\_\_ **Yes!** We would like to ENHANCE MINDS and **DONATE in-kind ITEMS:** (describe)

☐ Door Prizes (\$25 minimum value) \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Grand Prizes (\$100 value or more) \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Centerpieces (27) for Luncheon Tables for prizes \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Gifts (65) to recognize Nationally Accredited (NAFCC) Providers \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Yes!** We would like to insert **Promotional Items (350)** into Conference Bag (no flyers, catalogs)

☐ \$200 Contact us by May 15, 2020 and send to address below. Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Yes!** We would like to ENHANCE MINDS and **RESERVE SPACE on the Resource Sharing Table:**

☐ \$75 Contact us by May 8, 2020 and send to address below. Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Yes!** We would like to ENHANCE MINDS and **CONTRIBUTE MONETARY LEVEL of SPONSORSHIP:**

☐ **Curious Minds: \$250** ☐ **Creative Minds: \$500** ☐ **Caring Minds: \$1,000**  
☐ **Inquisitive Minds: \$1,500** ☐ **Innovative Minds: \$2,500** ☐ **The Ultimate Mind: \$5,000 or more**  
☐ **MIND MATCH** to match funds raised by parents up to a designated amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**All MIND sponsorship levels include:** Program book listing and On-Site signage; \$1,000 or more includes one exhibit table and program book advertising at various sizes according to Sponsor Level.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Yes!** We would like to ENHANCE MINDS & **SELECT A SPECIFIC REQUEST:**

☐ Keynote Speakers ☐ Award Plaques ☐ Program Book ☐ 350 Bags ☐ Provider Celebration Night  
☐ Leader Recognition ☐ Audio Visual ☐ Appreciation Luncheon ☐ Name Tags ☐ Parent Choice Awards

### Need more information on HOW to ENHANCE Minds?

contact: Tammy Tener, Executive Director, at 407-234-3473 or email: tenerfcc@gmail.com

**Deadlines:** Jan. 17, 2020 for listing in Conference Brochure; Feb. 14 for April 10 listing in The Grapevine newsletter; May 8 for listing in Conference Program Book; June 5 for listing at the conference

**Make check to:** FFCCHA **Mail to:** FFCCHA c/o Adrienne Donaldson, 1530 NW 124th St. North Miami, FL 33167 **Questions:** 786-274-2931 **Email:** JittaBugTrainings@gmail.com

*Revised 9-19*





## Volunteer Application for Scholarships for 2020 Conference Registrations

(La Aplicación para becas en Español están disponibles en nuestro sitio web)

**“Enhancing Our Minds...In 2020”**

June 24-28, 2020 Sheraton Sand Key Resort  
1160 Gulf Blvd, Clearwater Beach, FL 33767



*Approved applicants applying for a scholarship will be required to volunteer 3 hours.*

### Volunteer Qualifications/Requirements

- Be a **current provider member** of FFCCHA (keep valid thru June 30) operating as a **FL registered or licensed provider**, or be a **current Co-provider member** of FFCCHA (keep membership valid thru June 30, 2020);
- Complete and submit this scholarship form along with the \$35.00 fee – **NO REFUNDS**. Returned checks are assessed a \$47 fee.
- **Attend a volunteer orientation in 2020** before going to conference: check only one
  - ☐ Saturday, April 18 (English/Spanish orientation) at the Full Board meeting in Ocala, select your volunteer times (only at this on-site)
  - ☐ May 19 or 21 (both in English) 7:00 PM via phone conference call (call details emailed to you in May)
  - ☐ May 26, Tuesday (in Spanish only) 7:00 PM via phone conference call (call details emailed to you in May)
- Attend the entire conference day(s) that you applied for. **Turn in a completed conference evaluation.**
- **Wear a white blouse with black skirt or pants** when serving your 3 volunteer hours (**no tank tops or shorts**).
- **Sign-in** at conference and **fulfill your 3 hour** volunteer duties **as assigned**, return hostess paper, **and sign-out**.

Only completed forms submitted with a **\$35.00** check or money order made payable to **FFCCHA** will be accepted.

Mail to: **FFCCHA Volunteers, Lesia Crichlow, 5748 Gulf Club Pkwy, Orlando, FL 32808**

**Deadline: April 18, 2020!** Qualifying applications will be dated as received and selected on a first come, first serve basis until all scholarships have **been awarded**. **All providers will be notified when received as to their acceptance status.**

*All applications received by the deadline will be entered in a drawing for a prize.*

**Please Print Clearly:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Language: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Language: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of FCC home as listed on License/Registration: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Local Chapter : \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter that you are a member of \_\_\_\_\_ Is this your first conference? \_\_\_\_\_

**Select the Type of Registration you are applying for:**

- ☐ Full conference (Thur pm-Fri-Sat-Sun am)     ☐ Sat conference 8am-5pm only     ☐ Sat-Sun am conference  
**Check all that apply:** ☐ Registered   ☐ Licensed   ☐ Large Licensed   ☐ VPK   ☐ NAFCC Accredited   ☐ NAFCC Observer  
☐ CDA   ☐ EHS (Early Head Start)   ☐ Director Credential   ☐ College Degree, Type \_\_\_\_\_

**Please rate your 1st and 2nd preferences in volunteering (however, no guarantees)**

- ☐ English workshop hostess     ☐ Fundraising Table worker     ☐ Set-up Thur 2-5p     ☐ Provider Celebration Sat 7-9pm  
☐ Spanish workshop hostess     ☐ Registration Table worker     ☐ Clean-up Sat 5pm     ☐ Sunday breakfast 8am

**You must write 50 words or less** on how receiving a scholarship to this conference will benefit your child care.:

### **PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT, SIGN AND DATE!**

- I, the undersigned, do hereby state:
- I am a current Florida family child care member of FFCCHA, Inc.
- I understand that **if I do not attend** the full conference or **fulfill my three hours** as a volunteer, my scholarship will be voided and **I will be responsible for the full cost of my registration.**

**All of the above information is correct.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*If you need an accommodation because of a disability in order to participate in the child care training process; contact, Tammy Tener, Executive Director at least two weeks prior to the first training date at 407-234-3473 between 8:00 am and 6:00 pm. Calls can be received Monday - Friday.*

**Questions? Contact Lesia Crichlow (407) 722-4002 or email: [brightkidsacademy@outlook.com](mailto:brightkidsacademy@outlook.com)**

**Conference scholarships go quickly. Deadline: April 18, 2020! So don't be left out! Send completed form today!**

Office use only: Ck# \_\_\_\_\_ Received date: \_\_\_\_\_ Verified membership/expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_



## 2020 Annual Essay Awards

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc.



**Send essay to:** FFCCHA Awards 2050 Ryan Road, St Augustine, FL 32092  
or e-mail: [renieroach@yahoo.com](mailto:renieroach@yahoo.com) - type **ESSAY AWARD** in the subject line of the email

Deadline: **Must be postmarked by March 30, 2020**      Questions? Call Renie Roach 904-436-5799

The following awards will be presented at the June 2020 conference at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort in Clearwater Beach. Select one: (Please submit a separate form with Essay for each award)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Advocate Hall of Fame</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Provider Hall of Fame</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Outstanding Chapter</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>AHAP-Agency Helping Association Prosper</b> |
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Please Print:

**Nominee Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** FL **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**FFCCHA Member Name Submitting Essay:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Person Submitting Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** FL **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBMIT a 300 word essay describing specific examples on how and why the person or organization you nominate is **outstanding**, fits the description, and is **well-deserving** of the annual award.**

### AHAP - AGENCIES HELP ASSOCIATIONS PROSPER

The AHAP award is **given to an organization** such as an Agency, Coalition, Food Program, College, etc. that has **given support and helped your local chapter association** above and beyond their regular services.

### OUTSTANDING FFCCHA CHAPTER

The Outstanding Chapter award is **given to one local FFCCHA chapter** that is doing extraordinary things. It could be a parent involvement event, an outstanding membership drive, or maybe your association made a big difference by being involved with your local coalition or another type of special activity.

The chapter event must have taken place between April 1, 2019 and March 31, 2020.

They will need to submit a chapter display board spotlighting the event at the conference and **will receive one comp hotel night** at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort in Clearwater Beach.

### FFCCHA – FAMILY CHILD CARE HALL OF FAME

The Hall of Fame awards are the most prestigious awards given by FFCCHA, Inc. This award is given to a FCC Provider and an Advocate (non-provider) in the state of Florida that exemplifies Family Child Care. Each has separate qualifications. The winners must submit an 8 x 10 photo for the conference Hall of Fame display board.

### PROVIDER HALL OF FAME

The **Provider must promote the state association - FFCCHA, Inc.** throughout the state of Florida and have outstanding leadership qualities such as: a professional role model, positive character, integrity, and a mentor to all providers. They must be a member of FFCCHA for at least 3 years.

### ADVOCATE HALL OF FAME

The Advocate is a **non-provider that is very supportive and promotes the state association - FFCCHA, Inc.** and promotes family child care as a profession.



*Parents! Sponsor the Florida Family Child Care Home Association 2020 Conference!*

**Provider Information**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Information**

Child's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**Donation Amount**

- ☐ \$5 - Display photo at 2020 conference (must be submitted by June 1, 2020)
- ☐ \$10 - Display photo at 2020 conference AND Capitol for Children's Day (must submit two forms by January 18, 2020)
- ☐ \$15 - Enter photo contest (See photo instructions on back of this form and submit photo separately by May 5). Also includes display at both conference and Capitol (2 forms must be submitted by January 18, 2020)
- ☐ Other donation amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Assembly and Submittal instructions**

1. Print out hands from our website: [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org) in color or print in black and white on bright green, orange or yellow paper.
2. Cut out the white heart in the middle of the hands. Place a photo of your child behind the hands, tape in place and fold on the dotted center line **OR** have your child color or decorate the heart.

**Photo Release**

By signing this form, you, the parent/guardian of the person(s) photographed, hereby give the Children's Forum and the Florida Family Child Care Home Association permission to publish submitted photographs. You understand that photos will NOT be used in any other content without your written consent and the photos will NOT be released or sold to any third party. Your signature warrants that you are over the age of 18 and competent to contract in your name and/or sign on behalf of your minor child as listed above.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## *Parents – Send your child to the Beach for only \$5!*

FFCCHA needs assistance from parents of young children to support our annual statewide conference, “Enhancing Our Minds in 2020” in Clearwater Beach. The total \$ amount of donations from parents and what they are able to sponsor collectively will be listed in the conference program book. If your child’s photo or artwork is submitted on forms along with donations, then it will be displayed at the conference and/or Capital. Provider names from family child care homes that submit \$25 or more in parent donations will be listed in the conference program book.

## *and let them “Hang in Tally” with the Governor for \$-10!*

For a **\$15 donation**, your child can also **enter a photo contest** for the hand-shaped heart FFCCHA Conference Logo for “Enhancing Our Minds in 2021.” Note: Parent or child(ren) name will not be printed on conference marketing materials.

**Photo Contest Rules** in order to be able to use the photo in print publications.

1. **E-mail entries** must contain a hi-resolution color photograph uploaded in compliance with the Contest requirements, in JPEG format with picture dimensions at least 1800 x 1200 pixels and 300 dpi. Send to: [jjbrown@thechildrensforum.com](mailto:jjbrown@thechildrensforum.com)
2. Entries that contain photographs (digital) that do not comply with the specifications or any other requirements stated herein will be automatically disqualified.
3. All Entries become the property of Sponsor, and none will be acknowledged or returned. Sponsor is not responsible for lost, late, incomplete, invalid, unintelligible, or misdirected entries.
4. Entries that contain inappropriate images such as but not limited to nudity will be disqualified.
5. Entries that contain any type of advertising or logo images will be disqualified. This includes visible clothing brands.
6. Child(ren) must currently be in care at a family child care home of a provider member of FFCCHA.
7. Parent or legal guardian must sign and submit a photo release.
8. Deadline for photo submissions is May 5, 2020.

**Tips for making sure your photo qualifies for the contest:**

1. Make sure your camera is set on the highest pixel setting. The file size will be large, but big can be reduced by the graphic designer. Small pictures can’t be enlarged!
2. When emailing your digital photo, do NOT reduce the file size. Keep it at the original size.
3. If your computer or email system does not want to send it because the file size is too large, save the picture to a CD and mail the CD in a protective CD case.
4. Close up shots are best, zoom in on the child(rens) face. These are the priceless shots we need for the FFCCHA publications.
5. Photography from professional photographers are not acceptable and will not be acknowledged or returned.

**Mail your forms and donations to: FFCCHA, Inc., c/o Bernie Heikkila, 3224 Linden Dr., Sarasota, FL 34232**

**Make checks payable to: FFCCHA, Inc. or make credit card payment on FFCCHA website**

**Call 941-371-0344 or email [weluvkids@comcast.net](mailto:weluvkids@comcast.net) if you have any questions.**

**Spanish version available on our website: [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org)**

## Erikson Institute Family Child Care Study

# Erikson Institute

**Family child care** is an essential component of the child care supply, meeting the needs of families who want the individual attention that providers offer to small groups of children, the flexibility that fit their work hours, and the convenience of care in the neighborhood. Yet the number of family child care providers across the U.S. has declined dramatically in the past decade, limiting options for families.

In early 2019, the Foundation for Child Development awarded a grant to Erikson Institute, a nationally recognized research center, to conduct an exploratory study to examine the factors that contribute to this decline. **The study includes focus group discussions with FCC providers to learn about the reasons they engage in family child care initially as well as the reasons they continue in the field.** The discussions provide an opportunity to have a voice in informing policy and program recommendations that affect family child care.

**Erikson has selected four states as study sites; Florida is one of them.** We will be **conducting two focus group discussions at the Florida Family Child Care Association Leadership Summit on February 29, 2020.** The discussions, which will be audio-recorded, will be 2-hours long, and will include a short, written survey about experiences providing family child care. **Participation is voluntary and confidential.** Your name and any information about you will not be shared with anyone outside the research team and no information that could identify you will be used in any reports. Participants will receive a \$20 gift card. They will also have an opportunity to receive research reports from the project.

We are particularly **interested in talking to family child care providers who are newly licensed within the last year as well as those who provide VPK, Early Head Start, School Readiness and those who are nationally accredited family child care providers.**

Please complete and send in the Focus Group registration form below if you would like to participate. The number of providers in **each focus group** discussions is **limited to 10**. Participants will be selected on a first-come, first served basis. **Please join us for this opportunity to share your ideas and opinions** for this important issue. For more information, please contact Juliet Bromer, Research Scientist, Erikson Institute at [jbromer@erikson.edu](mailto:jbromer@erikson.edu) or 312-893-7127.

### FOCUS GROUP APPLICATION

**Deadline: Must be received by February 1, 2020**

**Please Print CLEARLY:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of FCC home as listed on License or Registration: \_\_\_\_\_

Check all that apply: ☐ VPK ☐ EHS (Early Head Start) ☐ SR (ELC contract) ☐ QRIS

☐ Registered ☐ Licensed ☐ Large Licensed

☐ New FCC Provider (within last 12 months) ☐ Experienced ( #\_\_\_ years) ☐ NAFCC Accredited (#\_\_\_years)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Focus Group participant must also **register separately** for the FFCCHA Leadership Summit.

**Mail Focus Group application to:** Tammy Tener, 1301 NW 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Crystal River, FL 34428

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**Register for FFCCHA February 2020  
Summit & Hotel!**

Apply for Credential Scholarship!  
**SAVE-THE-DATE for our 2020 Convention!**  
Apply for Hostess Scholarships  
Apply for Awards!

## LEADERSHIP SUMMIT & Quarterly Meeting , Ocala, FL

Florida Family Child Care Home Association  
**February 28-29, 2020 Weekend Agenda**

### Friday, February 28, 2020

Best Western Hotel, Pool Room

**7:30 pm – 9:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting**

### Saturday, February 29, 2020

Early Learning Coalition of Marion County

Arrive early 7:30/7:45 am to Sign-In and get registration packet

**8:00 am – 5:00 pm FFCCHA Leadership Summit  
and FFCCHA Full Board Quarterly Meeting**

### ***“De-Stress for Success”***

Presented by Cynthia Krosky, CSP, LCSW, President of Achieving Corporate Excellence, Inc  
**\$75 (\$60 scholarships available!) includes networking lunch if registered by Feb 14**

### **8:00 pm - 9:00 pm Meet and Greet – LEAP DAY PARTY!!**

Best Western Hotel, Pool Room

Hosted by the **Professional Development Team**: This team consists of providers from all over the state who regularly support and help out at all the trainings in Ocala. Join us for music, dancing, games, food and FUN, and earn prizes and door prizes!

**Prizes for best Leaping Animal Costume such as frogs, kangaroos, or rabbits!!**



### TWO LOCATIONS:

**Best Western Hotel, I-75, Exit 350 West**  
3701 SW 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. Ocala, FL 34474  
Hotel: **352-237-4848**

**Early Learning Coalition of Marion County**  
Exit 350 East  
2300 S.W. 17 Road, Ocala, FL 34471  
Contact:  
**Adrienne Donaldson 786-274-2931**

### Driving Directions to ELC of Marion County from Best Western Hotel

Allow 10 minutes for driving time

1. Turn Right out of Best Western Hotel
2. Turn Right at stop sign onto SW 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. (going north on road beside I-75)
3. Turn Right on SW 20<sup>th</sup> Street (go under I-75 and go for 1 mile)
4. Turn Left on SW 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue (and go 0.2 of a mile)
5. Turn Right on SW 17<sup>th</sup> Road
6. Turn Right into ELC of Marion (just after bank/across from storage unit)

