

# THE GRAPEVINE

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*It's Beginning to Feel a Lot Like Winter!*

January 2021

## **President's Message:**

### **Happy "2021" to FFCCHA!**

I am delighted to be the president of FFCCHA. We have faced unprecedented issues in the child care profession due to the COVID-19 virus. However, I am confident that this organization will persevere and continue to grow stronger. This pandemic has caused providers to have a decrease in the number of children enrolled, difficulty trying to find available funding to maintain business operations, and even some to close their businesses. While all these have taken a toll on our members, new members received during our December membership drive, our total members have remained steady.

FFCCHA has a rich history that is dedicated to leadership and support from their members, with connected agencies and community business from around the state and local counties. Since we still have not been able to meet face to face at the scheduled quarterly meetings in Ocala, we have been able to keep our members connected through online Zoom Professional Development trainings and meetings. Thanks to Adrienne Donaldson for scheduling our various trainings, it has been vital to stay connected with our members and trainer-instructors in every aspect of FFCCHA. Members, if you have an article to be shared in this Grapevine newsletter, submit it to Wendy Corso-Ruud, Newsletter Editor. If a situation or circumstance should arise, please do not hesitate to notify the association, as WE are here for YOU.

On behalf of FFCCHA, I'd like to express how grateful we are for your support, your time, and your resources and commitment, which are appreciated by this ENTIRE organization. I can not THANK YOU enough for your continual investment in our FFCCHA mission, which is *"to represent a united voice on behalf of all children, to promote and encourage professional family childcare through education, legislation, advocacy, mentoring, caring and love."*

FFCCHA wishes EVERYONE and YOUR families a very Happy New Year with best wishes for a healthy 2021 filled with life, peace, joy, love, warmth, laughter, prosperity, and God's Blessing.

**Romans 12:10 "Love each other with genuine affection and take delight in honoring each other."**

Lois Kendrick

## **Mensaje de Presidencia:**

### **Feliz "2021" para FFCCHA**

Es un deleite ser presidenta de FFCCHA, y aunque enfrentamos problemas sin precedentes en la profesión de cuidado infantil debido al virus COVID-19, estoy confiada que esta organización perseverará y continuará creciendo fuerte. Esta pandemia ha provocado que algunas proveedoras cierren sus negocios, una caída en la cantidad de niños inscritos y otras intentando encontrar fondos disponibles para que sus negocios continúen operando. Mientras tanto esto ha afectado a nuestros miembros, pero aun así recibimos nuevos miembros durante nuestra campaña de membresía de diciembre, nuestro total de miembros se ha mantenido estable.

FFCCHA tiene una rica historia dedicada al liderazgo y el apoyo de sus miembros, con agencias conectadas y negocios comunitarios de todos los estados y condados locales. Aunque aún todavía no nos hemos podido reunir cara a cara en las reuniones trimestrales programadas en Ocala, hemos podido mantener a nuestros miembros conectados a través de línea por Zoom dando capacitaciones y reuniones por el Desarrollo Profesional. Gracias a Adrienne Donaldson por programar nuestras diversas capacitaciones, ha sido esencial estar conectado con nuestros miembros y entrenadores e instructores en todos los aspectos de FFCCHA. Miembros, si tienen un artículo para compartir en este boletín del Grapevine, envíelo a Wendy Corso-Ruud, Editora del Boletín. Si surge alguna situación o circunstancia, por favor no deje de notificar a la asociación, ya que ESTAMOS aquí para USTED.

En nombre de FFCCHA, me gustaría expresar los agradecimientos por su apoyo, su tiempo, sus recursos y compromiso, son apreciados por TODA la organización. No hay como agradecerles lo suficiente por su continua inversión en nuestra misión, la cual es *"representar una voz unida en nombre de todos los niños", para promover y animar el cuidado infantil familiar profesional a través de la educación, la legislación, el apoyo, la mentoría, el cuidado y el amor"*.

FFCCHA les desea a TODOS y a SUS familias un muy Feliz Año Nuevo con los mejores deseos para un 2021 saludable lleno de vida, paz, alegría, amor, calidez, risas, prosperidad y la bendición de Dios.

Romanos 12:10 "Amaos los unos a los otros con amor fraternal; en cuanto a honra, prefiriéndolos los unos a los otros."

Lois Kendrick. Presidente



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**Credential Scholarship News**

Abbie Bill, Scholarship Chair

**24 scholarships awarded this quarter  
(Oct 21 – Dec. 31) \$5575**

**NAFCC Reaccreditation \$525:** Cynthia Chipp, Mayra Marquez, Erica Montoya, Nancy Nairns, Linda Nattiel, Betty Randolph

**NAFCC Reaccreditation \$325:** Sylvia Castillo, Francine Creighton Bey, Gretchen Murphy

**NAFCC Self Study \$315:** Isabel Aguiar, Maria Herrera, Dunia Hidalgo, Veronica McGhie, Sonji Mitchell

**NAFCC New Accreditation \$325:** Lillian Jordan, Albertina Perez-Gonzalez. Rosemary Hartage (\$525)

**NAFCC Update \$160:** Ollie Anderson, Rubia Arias, Alethia Dittren, Naomi Helligar, Karen Robinson, Elizabeth Stamp, Gloria Sanquintin

Applications are now available online and in *The Grapevine*. Questions? Contact me at 561-482-6038 or aright933@aol.com



**November 7 Meeting News**

Renie Roach, Secretary

At the Full Board Meeting held Saturday, November 7, 2020 via Zoom, the following motions were approved:

- 1) President's appointment of Bernie Heikkila as Treasurer (through June 30, 2022) and Lynn Gibson as Legislative Liaison (through June 30, 2021).
- 2) Increase Chapter yearly fees from \$75 to \$80.



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

**Cynthia Chipp** - ELC of Hillsborough  
**Nichola Griffin/Butts** - ELC of Palm Beach  
**Naomi Helligar** - ELC of Osceola County  
**Karan Hiester** - ELC of Flagler/Volusia County  
**Gwen Wilson** - ELC of Marion County

**Other Boards / Councils**

**Lynn Gibson** - Pinellas County License Board  
Family Child Care Rep  
**Kathy Jones** - Hillsborough County Board of  
County Commissioners Family Child Care  
Home Advisory Board  
**Arleen Lambert** - Miami Dade College Early  
Childhood Education Advisory Committee  
**Mary Morris** - Palm Beach County Health  
Department Child Care Advisory Council  
and Palm Beach State College Advisory Council  
**Tammy Tener and Kissha Ballard** - ELC of  
Orange County - ECE Pandemic Response  
Leadership Team  
**Patricia Williams** - North Florida Chapter of  
FLAECY representing Family Child Care

**Barbara Lengell**

Owner/Operator

**Cell 727-639-5970**



**First Response Training Center**

**Online ZOOM Training APPROVED by DCF in  
nearly ALL counties throughout the state!!**

**Follow us on FaceBook at: First Response CPR & First Aid  
Training Center**

**Follow us on Instagram at: barbaralengell**

**Write to us at: Firstresponsetrainingcenter@gmail.com**

**Big Congratulations to Renie Roach  
who renewed her National CDA (Term  
11/2/2020 - 11/3/2023) using a TEACH  
scholarship to help with the cost!!**



## Events Calendar 2021

January - November



### January

- 1 **Apply for FFCCHA Board Applications for 2-year terms to start July 1, 2021:** President, Vice President, Area Rep Coordinator, Latino Liaison, Fundraising, Legislative Liaison

### February

- 5 **Deadline EXTENDED for FFCCHA Board Applications**  
 8 'Early Learning – Building Blocks for Success' Workshop  
 For more workshops from Children's Week go to <https://childrensweek.org/event/advocacy-workshops/>  
 17 **Deadline for FFCCHA April Newsletter**  
 20 **FFCCHA Area Rep / Latino Council Virtual Meetings**  
 22 **FFCCHA Executive Committee Virtual Meeting**  
 25 **FFCCHA Chapter Rep Virtual Meeting**  
 27 **FFCCHA Zoom Full Board Meeting/Leadership Summit**

### March

- 1-14 **FFCCHA Membership Drive for New/Renewals/Parents**  
 11 **Deadline for FFCCHA Parent Choice Awards**  
 21 **FFCCHA Conference Workshop Proposal Deadline**  
 21 **Deadline for FFCCHA Outstanding Accredited Provider Award**  
 27 Early Childhood Conference, College of Central FL, Virtual with "Ooey Goey" Lisa Murphy  
 31 **Deadline for FFCCHA Essay Awards:** Advocate and Provider Hall of Fame, AHAP, Outstanding Chapter

### April

- 4 Hanging of the Hands in Capitol, 12-4 pm, Tallahassee  
 5 Children's Week Advocacy Awards Ceremony, Capitol  
 6 Children's Week Storybook Village, Capitol, Tallahassee  
**Children's Week may be virtual.** For more info, go to: <https://childrensweek.org/>  
 17 **FFCCHA Zoom Full Board Meeting / 'Love vs Fear' Training / Zoom Hostess Orientation**  
 30 **Deadline for Hostess/Volunteer Scholarship**

### May

- 1 Worthy Wage Day  
 5 **Deadline for FFCCHA Photo contest**  
 7 National Provider Appreciation Day  
 10 **Deadline for FFCCHA July newsletter**  
 22 **Deadline for FFCCHA hotel reservation for conference**

### June

- 1 **Early Bird Deadline for FFCCHA Conference Registration**  
 23-27 **FFCCHA Enhancing Our Minds Conference, Kissimmee**  
 27 **FFCCHA General Meeting, Kissimmee**

### July

- 7-10 NAFCC Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana  
 21-23 One Goal Summer Conference, Tampa

### August

- 7 **FFCCHA Full Board Meeting/Training, Ocala**  
 17 **Deadline for FFCCHA October newsletter**

### September

- TBA **Executive Committee Development**

### November

- 6 **FFCCHA Full Board Meeting and Training, Ocala**  
 17 **Deadline for FFCCHA January newsletter**

## Winter Membership News

Wendy Corso-Ruud - Membership Officer

**MARCH MADNESS!** March 1st signals the start of our Spring Membership Drive with discounted CHAPTER membership fees from **March 1-14, 2021!**

**PROVIDERS:** *Sign up your parent-clients as members as well, for YOU to be entered in a drawing for amazing door prizes for each parent who joined! (see page 8, must be postmarked by March 14th)* Who will be the winning Provider to submit the most new parent members?

## Congratulations to our FALL Membership Drive Winners!!

Heart to Heart FCC Assoc (December)

Home CCPA of Manatee County (November)

Home CCPA of NE Hillsborough County (October)

Shout outs for the winners of the December Membership Drive will be announced at the next Full Board Meeting. Recognition of the **Chapter** that submits the most new members, renewals, or advocate-members is given monthly. Please renew your membership before it expires to avoid a lapse in your membership. Your expiration date is located just above your name on the back of the FFCCHA newsletter, **The Grapevine**. As an added benefit, all FFCCHA Members can join NAFCC at a \$5-off discounted rate through your local Chapter.

### Membership breakdown as of 12/30/2020:

Chapter Providers: 403	Chapters: 18
Advocates: 8	Co-Providers: 35
Individual Members: 25	Parent Members: 15
Lifetime & Honorary Members: 12	
Agencies: 0	
<b>Total: 516</b>	



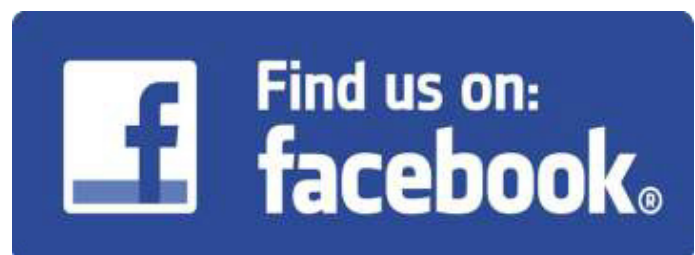
**Remember to PLEASE use the correct and updated individual/parent/chapter membership forms** available on the website. If you have questions or need forms or anything, please give me a shout!! Wendy at [membership@familychildcare.org](mailto:membership@familychildcare.org)

**We are nearly at 780 likes on our Facebook page!! WOOHOOO!!**

[www.facebook.com/FFCCHA](http://www.facebook.com/FFCCHA)

**Share and Like us NOW! :)**

**Click on our link below:**



## TALK OF THE TOWN AREA 7 - Duval County

## Barbaran Williams



Barbaran Williams is the director and owner of Williams Large Family Child Care Home for over two decades in Jacksonville, Florida. She has a spouse, Francis, and together they have three adult children. Barbaran grew up in Grenada, West Indies, where she was inspired by her parents' kindness, love and caring to help children grow up and make positive changes for our future.

Barbaran was introduced to the profession of Family Child Care while living on a Military base, later becoming a Licensed Provider. She opened her home to other children in her community and as a life-long learner, continued her child care education with monthly trainings and conferences. She relocated to Jacksonville in the 90's, attended Florida State College of Jacksonville in the field of Early Child Care, and continued teaching mixed-age groups of children in her home. Her program has contracts with the school readiness program, Teen Parent program and private parents for children to attend in a family-style environment in her home.

Barbaran has been NAFCC accredited for a decade with a 5-star rating in the Guiding Stars program of ELC of Duval County and has earned her CDA and her Director Credential. Barbaran is involved in her local association as Membership chair and former Treasurer, volunteers with the local, state and National associations, and participates in several pilot programs at Duval ELC.

During her spare time, Barbaran enjoys attending church, family social, friends, dancing, music, art, culture, walking, exploring the outdoors, gardening, cooking, baking, and going to the beach.

Networking and getting together with other Early Child Care Educators is positive for Barbaran, as she enjoys exchanging ideas, having social time, sharing laughter and enjoying each others company.

*Please submit a "Talk of the Town" article about someone special from Areas 10 - 17.*

*Submissions must be submitted by February 17, 2021 to the Newsletter Editor: Wendy Corso-Ruud at [ruud3@aol.com](mailto:ruud3@aol.com) Thank you!*

### Support FFCCHA

Gertrude Freeman-Ford, Fundraising

At each of our in-person meetings, we set up what we lovingly call the Green Table, where we sell items in gently-used-in-great-condition such as child care goodies, home goods, and toys.



Please continue to support FFCCHA by putting your gently-used and CLEAN items to the side until we meet again face to face.

We are also accepting gifts and gift cards valued at \$25.00.

I pray everyone is staying safe and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

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

**Amazon Smile** - Support FFCCHA every time you shop! Share the link!

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/65-0392120>

**Benevity.org** - We are also registered and eligible to receive donations and

matching corporate donations through

[www.causes.benevity.org](http://www.causes.benevity.org)

If you should have any questions, please feel free to call me at 321-890-8366 or email me at

[Gertrude.freeman@yahoo.com](mailto:Gertrude.freeman@yahoo.com)

### Noticias Del Concilio Latino

Alma Diaz, Latino Liaison

#### Feliz Año 2021!

Increíblemente estamos estrenando un nuevo año y con el muchas hermosas expectativas. Nos hemos dado cuenta que entre todo somos mujeres luchadoras y que en medio de todo seguimos adelante. Espero que tus metas sean realizadas y tu negocio continúe prosperando.

Este año es nuestra conferencia 2021 en Kissimmee y espero el apoyo de todas uds. Comienza y haz tus planes con tiempo, te estaremos esperando. Departe del Concilio Latino estamos organizándonos para recibirte con mucho cariño y grandes sorpresas, no te lo puedes perder. De ante mano quiero agradecer a todas aquellas proveedoras que con tanto cariño me apoyan, mis respetos. Quiero siempre recordarles que estoy a sus ordenes cuando me necesiten. Hasta pronto y muchas bendiciones para todas.

Si tienes alguna inquietud, favor de comunicarte al teléfono (305)467-2560 o mandarme un correo electrónico a [latinoliason@familychildcare.org](mailto:latinoliason@familychildcare.org).

Atentamente, **Alma**





## Public Relations News

Lula Owens - Chair

### Calling all Chapter Reps, Area Reps and Providers!!!

FFCCHA's Public Relations brochures and flyers are still available. Include our Public Relations materials to your future **Zoom** presentation with your ELC, Food Program and your Association's meeting.

The flyers are always available for you to print out from the FFCCHA website [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org) under the Publications page.

Remember you can always advertise your business in our Quarterly Grapevine.

Contact Lula Owens at (904)779-9988 or [lulafrank@bellsouth.net](mailto:lulafrank@bellsouth.net)



## MENTOR News

Abbie Bill - Mentor Program Chair

The next **Mentor Training** will be held at our 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference June 23 -27, 2021 in Kissimmee. The training will be on Wednesday, 8 am - 5 pm & Thursday, 8 am - Noon.

If you are interested in taking this training, please contact me. Applications will be available in February.

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



## Chapter Rep News



**CONGRATULATIONS TO  
THE CHAPTER REP of the  
QUARTER!**

**Angela-Perla Almodovar**

Chapters Reps: Please turn in your Audit forms for this fiscal year (June-May), as well as your yearly activity report. Remind your Chapter members that they can pay dues online on the FFCCHA website. Chapter Dues are to be renewed each year, so please make sure you have the updated forms, which are available on the website [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org)

Chapter Reps are required to mail or email reports to [chaptercoordinator@familychildcare.org](mailto:chaptercoordinator@familychildcare.org).

For chapter information: please email or contact Amanda Wallace at 561-251-3365.

## Area Rep News

Area Rep Coordinator

**We are currently reaching out for a new Area Rep Coordinator! If interested, please contact [President@familychildcare.org](mailto:President@familychildcare.org).**

Let's also give a round of **APPLAUSE** to **ALL of our Area Reps** who are working diligently to recruit and retain providers for FFCCHA!

**Join the Area Rep TEAM TODAY and be that VOICE for FFCCHA!!!**

We are also looking for new Area Representatives for the following Areas: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 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, then this is the perfect job for **YOU!**



## Commercial & In-Home Child Care INSURANCE PROGRAM

As other companies selling child care insurance have come and gone, Florida Day Care Insurance (FDCI) remains committed to helping those in need obtain affordable, reliable insurance for your protection.

FDCI offers a variety of liability limits ranging from \$300,000 to \$1 million with sexual molestation and accident coverage included, which can be purchased same-day online.

FDCI promises 3 C's: "Coverage, Compliance, & Customer Service." Our partnership with Assure Child Care makes insurance "Provider Friendly" from starting a new policy to renewal. For complete information, call 727-461-4300 or toll free 800-359-4300. *Para información en español, por favor llame al número 855-818-KIDS (5437).* Discounts and easy pay plans are available.

Children are our future. Let us help you protect them while protecting you at the same time.

[www.FDCINS.com](http://www.FDCINS.com)



♥ In a relationship





## FFCCHA Professional Development **ZOOM VIRTUAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT**



**Saturday, February 27, 2021**

**9:00 am – 1:00 pm**

**Lunch is 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm**

**Full Board Meeting is 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm**

**Registration Fee: \$75.00 (\$70.00 scholarships available)**

**You may pay with credit card ONLINE\* [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org)**

\*Note: You MUST Log-in or Register BEFORE making a purchase on the FFCCHA website.

**Note: this form will not be needed with online payment.**

If not paying online, this registration form & payment must be **received by February 24, 2021.**

**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> St, North Miami, FL 33167**

**Make check or money order payable to: FFCCHA, Inc.** Please submit this completed form with payment  
(Pay only \$5 if you are a FL Registered OR Licensed family child care provider OR co-provider FFCCHA member)

*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)

**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 on ZOOM as early 8:45am to sign in. Training starts promptly at 9:00 am!**

\_\_\_\_ Please check if applying for a **Leadership Scholarship.**

### ***“Effective Leadership in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century”***

**Keynote Speaker: Angelica Norton, Professional Trainer and Coach**

As organizations and businesses meet the challenges of new technologies, the need to build relationships in the workplace and communicate effectively becomes a challenge, that can sometimes result in misunderstandings. This training will examine the conditions of effective leadership and managing healthy relationships. We will gain a deep insight of how to manage healthy relationships, how to build trust with your colleagues and team members, and how to identify one's personal communication style. This training will take leadership and give it an innovative shift for the new century and our ever-changing society.

*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 a.m. - 5:00 p.m Monday through Friday.*

**DEADLINE: February 24, 2021 NO REFUNDS after this date. Training fees are non-transferable.**

**Returned checks will be assessed a \$47 fee in addition to the amount of the check.**

Confirmation will be emailed to you by 02/26/2021. The link will be sent in a reminder email on 02/27/2021



## FFCCHA Professional Development

**Saturday, April 17, 2021  
10:00 am to 11:30 am**

**Full Board Meeting 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm  
Zoom Online Quarterly Training**



**Registration Fee: \$30.00** (\$25.00 scholarships available).

**You may pay with credit card ONLINE\*** [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org)

\*Note: You MUST Log-in or Register BEFORE making a purchase on the FFCCHA website.

**Note: this form will not be needed with online payment.**

If not paying online, this registration form & payment must be **received by April 14, 2021.**

**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> St, North Miami, FL 33167**

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

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

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

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PLEASE NOTE: Arrive on ZOOM as early as 9:45 am to sign in. Training starts promptly at 10:00 am!

\_\_\_\_\_ Please check if applying for a training scholarship.

**Behavior Management: Love VS Fear – 1.5 hours – Presented By: Megg Thompson  
Certified Behavior Consultant an Life Coach**

There are many behavior management systems that do not work. There are a lot of books written about these same strategies. Most traditional strategies hurt a child's emotional wellness and replace it with embarrassment and shame. Finding strategies that are proactive, strength based and keep emotional wellness intact are the strategies we should be using. Join Megg Thompson, as she helps us find those important strategies that help children prepare for the real world. Find a positive way to manage behavior and be proactive and not reactive.

*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 a.m. - 5:00 p.m Monday through Friday.*

**Deadline April 14, 2021 NO REFUNDS after this date. Training fees are non-transferable.  
Returned checks will be assessed a \$47 fee in addition to the amount of the check.**

Confirmation will be emailed to you by 04/16/2021. The Zoom Link will be sent in a reminder email on 04/17/2021.



# Parent Membership Application

Dues include quarterly issues of *The Grapevine*.

Enclose **\$10.00/year for each parent**. Make checks payable to: **FFCCHA, Inc.**

**Mail to: FFCCHA Membership, 119 Sea Island Ln, Boca Raton, FL 33431**

Parent members can also join and support the National Association for Family Child Care for \$40/year (savings of \$5) through FFCCHA.

**CHECK OUT THE MARCH MADNESS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE on PAGE 13!**

**PROVIDER's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ *(must be a member of FFCCHA, Inc.)*

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**County** \_\_\_\_\_ **Area #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Name**

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**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**County** \_\_\_\_\_ **Area #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Name**

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**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**County** \_\_\_\_\_ **Area #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Name**

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**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: Providers must join or renew through their local chapter membership application or as an individual.**

Questions? Contact Wendy Corso-Ruud, Membership Officer (561)715-1361 or ruud3@aol.com

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**Legislative News**

Lynn Gibson, Legislative Liaison

I have been busy with meetings, trainings and speaking events and participated in workshops, trainings on Advocacy on Zoom along with Advocacy events. I am on the NAFCC Policy Team working what we need Congress to address during the upcoming 2 years. We pushed hard for 50 Billion dollars in funding and walked away with 10 Billion. We will still be giving our input on what we hope they spend it on. NAFCC will continue to keep speaking out for providers across the nation.

I would love to have your input on concerns that address Florida child care providers. We may not be at the Florida capitol this year, but we can still speak up and stay in contact with our legislators and they need to hear from us. We will be a partner with Children's Week at the Florida Capitol again this year, April 4<sup>th</sup> thru the 9<sup>th</sup>, so watch our Facebook page for more info.

The Covid-19 pandemic has affected us and we know that everything has caused a trickle-down effect that hits child care. We've seen a lot of unlicensed places popping up because people are out of work and looking to make money. Work with your local licensing agency on reporting unregulated child care to encourage them to become licensed/registered because the sad part is that this generation of children will be impacted if we do not get the children back into legally operating child care homes.

Please help us by sharing on our Facebook page any grants or funds available for child care providers. PPP loans are back out and we will keep pushing for this and other funds to come your way!

Please watch FFCCHA's Facebook page for updated info on what we need **YOU** to do to help us get legislation passed for the children in the state of Florida and the providers who care for them.

**Home-based child care providers are essential.**

They need access to the COVID-19 vaccine to continue to care for the children and families of health care workers, pharmacists, and first responders.

Join us in ensuring that home-based child care providers are included in the early phases of dissemination of COVID-19 vaccine by calling your local child care administrators and governors to verify that home-based child care providers are eligible for early-phase vaccination and that the verification process is appropriate. Click on this link to use this toolkit to ask leaders to ensure caregivers are included in the dissemination of #COVID19 vaccine:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dT2GfQYjMfEmfokHrKUP7Ah5QCWcBaMfBillFDBhyWw/edit?usp=sharing>

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## Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc. — December 2020

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President		Lois Kendrick	Ft. Myers	33916	239-337-7188	president@familychildcare.org
Vice President		Arleen Lambert	Miami Gardens	33169	305-651-9617	vicepresident@familychildcare.org
Secretary		Renie Roach	St. Augustine	32092	904-436-5799	secretary@familychildcare.org
Treasurer		Bernie Heikkila	Sarasota	34232	941-371-0344	treasurer@familychildcare.org
Membership		Wendy Corso-Ruud	Boca Raton	33431	561-715-1361	membership@familychildcare.org
Area Rep Coordinator		Open - Apply Now!				
Public Relations		Open - Apply Now!				
Chapter Coordinator		Amanda Wallace	Delray Beach	33445	561-251-3365	chaptercoordinator@familychildcare.org
Latino Liaison		Alma Diaz	Hialeah	33018	305-467-2560	latinoliasion@familychildcare.org
Professional Development		Adrienne Donaldson	North Miami	33167	786-274-2931	jittabugtrainings@gmail.com
Fundraising		Gertrude Freeman-Ford	Cocoa	32926	321-890-8366	gertrude.freeman@yahoo.com
Legislative Liaison		Lynn Gibson	Seminole	33777	727-397-6982	childcarelaws@aol.com
Executive Director, Asst. Conference & Contracts	NON-BOARD POSITIONS					
		Tammy Tener	Crystal River	34428	407-234-3473	info@familychildcare.org
Finance Manager		Sande Harper	St Petersburg	33710	727-345-0299	sharper3601@aol.com
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1	Escambia	Open	Temporary: Marcella Espinosa-Copeland	850-458-2486	mcella1821@aol.com	
2	Santa Rosa	Open	Temporary: Eva Anderson	850-936-0348	myladyava@gmail.com	
3	Okaloosa, Walton	Open				
4	Holmes, Jackson, Franklin, Bay, Calhoun, Washington, Gulf	Open				
5	Liberty, Gadsden, Leon, Taylor, Wakulla, Jefferson, Madison	Matline Ford	Tallahassee	32305	850-877-3885	matlinef@aol.com
6	Hamilton, Suwannee, Lafayette, Columbia, Union	Open				
7	Duval	Patricia Williams	Jacksonville	32209	904-403-8948	Pdt62@comcast.net
8,9	Nassau, Baker, Clay, Bradford, Putman, St. Johns	Open	Temporary: Renie Roach	904-436-5799	renieroach@yahoo.com	
10	Alachua	Open	Temporary: Lyria Allen	352-339-2188	lyrialloving@bellsouth.net	
11	Citrus, Dixie, Levy, Gilchrist, Sumter	Open	Temporary: Kris Reinhard	352-586-7175	krisreinhard6@gmail.com	
12	Marion	Open	Temporary: Gwen Wilson	352-351-5370	gwenlo50@hotmail.com	
13	Flagler, Volusia	Open	Temporary: Karan Hiester	386-957-4482	educate71@gmail.com	
14	Lake	Open				
15	Seminole	Open				
16	Brevard	Joyce Burks	Cocoa	32922	321-292-2159	JoyceBurksChildCare@gmail.com
17	Orange	Kissha Ballard	Orlando	32811	407-616-5082	Ballardkissha@gmail.com
18	Osceola	Open	Temporary: Mayra Marquez	407-350-4239	mmlatinoliasion@gmail.com	
19	Pasco, Hernando	Open				
20	Polk	Open				
21	Hillsborough	Shannon Richardson	Tampa	33617	813-415-3006	changis007@outlook.com
22	Pinellas	Open	Temporary: Lynn Gibson	727.397-982	childcarelaws@aol.com	
23	Manatee	Open				
24	Sarasota	Open	Temporary: Bernie Heikkila	941-371-0344	weluvkids@comcast.net	
25	Hardee, Highlands, DeSoto, Charlotte	Open				
26	Okeechobee, Indian River, Martin	Open				
27	St Lucie	Open				
28	Lee, Hendry, Glades, Collier	Open	Temporary: Lois Kendrick	239-337-7188	jblesslois@gmail.com	
29	Palm Beach	Open				
30	Broward	Open				
31	Miami-Dade, Monroe	Danish Williams	Miami	33147	305-693-8815	danishwilliams@hotmail.com

**Interested in serving as an Area Representative? Area Rep Application is on page 14.  
Contact stimaz71@yahoo.com OR call: 305-651-9617**

## Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc. – December 2020

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)	Lula Owens	904-779-9988	lulafrank@bellsouth.net	Jacksonville
8,9	Putnam County FCC Provider Association (8)	Karla Carnes	904-781-4495	grammysplace@comcast.net	Rotates cities
12	Marion County FCCH Association (21)	Deserie Dickson	352-789-6836	Dezplayland50@yahoo.com	Ocala
15,17,18	Central Florida Association for FCC (47)	Alethia Dittren	407-870-1569	dittren01@netzero.com	Orlando
16	Brevard Sunshine FCH Association (7)	Cheryl Guest	321-537-8751	cguest08@gmail.com	Cocoa
17	Multicultural FCCHA of Orange Co (24)	Rendy Bethel-Avila	407-354-0840	ravila12@cfl.rr.com	Orlando
21	HCCPA of NE Hillsborough County (34)	Cynthia Chipp	813-632-3229	cyntchipp@yahoo.com	Temple Terrace
21	Quality FHCC Provider Association (25)	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
22	Heart to Heart Child Care Assoc (57)	Michelle Pugh	727-896-2244	mnp701@aol.com	Pinellas Park
23	HCC Providers Assoc. of Manatee County (18)	Victoria Morgan	941-251-6431	msilivick@aol.com	Bradenton
29	Palm Beach County FCC Assoc (56)	Amanda Wallace	561-251-3365	amandawallace42@bellsouth.net	Loxahatchee
30	Broward County FCC Association (7)	Phyllis Grant	954-873-2747	grant589@bellsouth.net	Lauderhill
30,31	APCID of Hialeah (54)	Angela Almodovar	305-321-6735	aperla3541@aol.com	Hialeah
31	South Florida Home CC Association (34)	Kelly Patterson	305-986-8826	kkbbabyinn@aol.com	Miami
31	FCCPA of Miami-Dade County (27)	Gladys Reyes	786-704-2012	Lalyreyes252@yahoo.com	Kendall

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS (NON-BOARD POSITIONS)

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Bylaws	Adrienne Donaldson 786-274-2931 jittabugtrainings@gmail.com	M.E.N.T.O.R.	Abbie Bill 561-482-6038 FLmentorpgm@aol.com
Chaplain	Open - Apply now!	Newsletter Editor	Wendy Corso-Ruud 561- 715-1361 ruud3@aol.com
Chapter Dev	Open - Apply now!	Nomination	Open - Apply now!
Finance	Delores Penn 561-274-9905 ddhpp@msn.com	Parliamentarian	Open - Apply now!
Fundraiser	Al Kendrick 239-470-5616	Credential Scholarship	Abbie Bill 561-482-6038 aright933@aol.com
Historian	Open - Apply now!	Social Media	Karan Hiester 386-957-4482 educate71@gmail.com
Hospitality	Lula Owens 904-779-9988 lulafrank@bellsouth.net	Translation	Open - Apply now!
CONFERENCE COORDINATOR:		KARAN HIESTER	386-957-4482 conference@familychildcare.org
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?  
Interested in promoting our mission?*

**Apply NOW for Current Vacant Positions for Area Reps & Chairs:**

Area Representatives: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8/9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30

Committee Chairs (non-board positions): [see Committee Chair list above in chart](#)**Apply NOW for vacant Executive Committee positions to start immediately:**

Area Rep Coordinator, Public Relations

**Apply by February 5, 2021 for Executive Committee: 2-year terms to start July 1, 2021:**

President, Vice President, Fundraising, Area Rep Coordinator, Latino Liaison, Legislative Liaison

**Applications are available at [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org) on the "Forms" page under Resources, or contact:****Temporary Nomination Chair, Arleen Lambert.** Applications can be submitted via e-mail, mail, fax, or hand delivered. Questions? E-mail: [nominations@familychildcare.org](mailto:nominations@familychildcare.org) OR call 305-651-9617.





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## BETTER SLEEP FOR YOU & YOUR BABY

### TEN TIPS

TO HELP YOU AND YOUR  
BABY GET A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP

As with every new skill your baby learns, falling asleep in a crib may take practice. Your baby may cry when first put in the crib. This is normal and should be expected. There are a lot of things you can do to help your baby settle down for bed and feel more comfortable sleeping in the crib. Every baby is unique, so you may need to try a few times before you figure out exactly what your baby likes best.

- 1 Make sure your baby has active play time, such as "tummy time" during the day.
- 2 Respond to your baby's needs quickly during the day to reduce your baby's stress.
- 3 Wear your baby in a sling or allow for skin-to-skin contact during the waking hours.
- 4 Keep a journal of when and how much your baby eats and sleeps, and when you change your baby's diaper. This will help you learn your baby's patterns so you can plan to rest when your baby sleeps.
- 5 Use a bedtime routine of three to four relaxing activities to help your baby wind down (giving your baby a bath, gently massaging baby's muscles, and then spending a short period of quiet time together). Research has shown that babies who have a bedtime routine fall asleep 30% faster, wake up 50% less often, and sleep for longer stretches of time.
- 6 Talk or sing softly to your baby before bed. Just the sound of your voice is very soothing to your baby.
- 7 Put your baby in the crib when he or she begins to look tired, but is still awake. Putting babies to bed while they are tired, but still awake, helps them learn to fall asleep on their own.
- 8 If your baby seems restless at bed time, put your baby to bed 30 minutes earlier. When babies become overtired, they sometimes become energetic and fight off sleep.
- 9 Play soft music, turn on a fan, or put a ticking clock near your baby's crib. Continuing normal household activities while your baby sleeps helps your baby learn to sleep without silence.
- 10 Place a warm towel down on your baby's crib sheet and remove it just before you place your baby down.



We are excited to announce that the **2021 Florida's HEROes Early Care** and Education recognition is accepting applicants! This is a voluntary recognition for ECE programs that implement best practices to support the healthy growth and development of the children they serve. All early care and education (ECE) programs, including centers and family homes, that are licensed by the Florida Department of Children and Families are eligible to apply. ECE programs will receive incentives based on the level of recognition they achieve.

The first step is to complete an interest form so we can link you with the appropriate resources and a Technical Assistance (TA) provider. [Click here](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FQB3H9K) to submit an interest form or go to: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FQB3H9K>



### Have you heard of the Gold Seal Quality Care Program?

This wonderful program recognizes your hard work as a family child care home provider. Created by the Florida Legislature in 1996 and overseen by the Department

of Children and Families (DCF) Office of Child Care Regulation, the Gold Seal Quality Care Program acknowledges child care providers who have gone above minimum licensing standards to become accredited by a recognized Gold Seal Agency, whose standards reflect quality in the level of care and supervision of provided to children.

The Gold Seal Quality Care Program is a designation that one receives once they have accomplished accreditation by one of the recognized Gold Seal Agencies. The accreditation process can take anywhere from nine months to a year to accomplish. But don't be discouraged by the length of time it takes; your program probably has met many of the accreditation standards just by being licensed.

The accrediting agency approved for Family Child Care Providers is the National Association of Family Child Care (NAFCC). For more information about NAFCC and the steps leading to an accreditation, please visit their website at <http://www.nafcc.org/Accreditation> or call 1-801-886-2322.

There are benefits associated with the Gold Quality Care Program for family home care providers such as:

- A positive marketing tool for parents
- An increased reimbursement rate for children participating in school readiness programs. To get the rates, please contact the Office of Early Learning at 1-888-357-3239 or visit them at [www.floridaearlylearning.com](http://www.floridaearlylearning.com).

There is no fee to apply for the Gold Seal Quality Care Program designation. Once you are accredited, you can apply to receive the Gold Seal designation certificate. Upon receipt and verification of the application information, a Gold Seal Quality Care Program designation certificate will be awarded.



For more information about the Gold Seal Quality Care Program, visit <https://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/child-care/goldseal.shtml> or call toll free 888-352-4453.

## PROVIDERS: Win a Free Hotel Night in Kissimmee, FL for our 2021 Conference!!

and Get your Name and Family Child Care Home listed in the conference program book!

**Here's how:** Encourage your parent/clients to participate as a Parent Sponsor of the **FFCCHA conference**. For every \$25 collected, your name (Provider) will be entered in a drawing for a chance for the free night. The winner will be announced at the end of the Full Board Meeting in April. There could be more than one winner depending on the amount of funds raised.

Copy **PARENT Sponsor** forms from the January and April issues of the Grapevine newsletter or print forms from Conference Page on the website [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org)

Give the forms to parents and collect the payments. FFCCHA must receive the payments **POSTMARKED** by April 15th to be received by the Full Board Meeting to be eligible for the drawing.

For parents entering the photo contest, the deadline to EMAIL photo to the Children's Forum at [jjbrown@thechildrensforum.com](mailto:jjbrown@thechildrensforum.com) is **MAY 5, 2021** and payment must be sent separately to be received by May 5, 2021 as well.

**Here are some ideas** that providers can use to get parents to participate: the provider takes a photo of each child and displays it on a wall at the FCC home and asks parents to make a donation. If the parent makes a \$15 donation or more, then the provider emails the child's photo into the photo contest for the parent.

You can also mail the form to all past and current parent clients with a handwritten note asking for a "generous" donation. See more details of the Parent Sponsor/Photo Contest on pages 21-22.

If you have questions or want ideas on how to get your chapter members and parents to participate, contact Gertrude Freeman-Ford (321)890-8366 or email: [fundraiser@familychildcare.org](mailto:fundraiser@familychildcare.org)



## GREAT NEWS for ALL FFCCHA Members!

### IT'S MARCH Membership MADNESS!!

FFCCHA wants to help you by giving you a 2021 gift to welcome in Spring!

FFCCHA is giving a **\$10 discount on all NEW and RENEWAL CHAPTER** memberships for providers and co-providers **AND** if providers recruit your PARENTS of children in care, for new and renewal PARENT MEMBERSHIP (only \$10 per family). *Then YOU*, the provider, will get your name entered in a drawing for door prizes for each parent membership received online or **postmarked** March 1-14, 2021 (see page 8 of this newsletter for parent membership application).

**ALL current FFCCHA members can renew early THROUGH THEIR CHAPTER from March 1-14** and get the \$10 savings too (for example, a member who expires on June 1, 2021, can renew now and save \$10 now and their expiration date would change to June 1, 2022.)

FFCCHA realizes that all FFCCHA chapters set their own price for local membership dues. Therefore, the price that a FCC provider pays for chapter membership will depend on the specific local Chapter they join.

**There are 3 ways a FCC provider can join a chapter:**

1. **Apply to and pay your local chapter** (Note: this is the most common way of joining/renewing.)
2. **Mail application and payment to FFCCHA including Chapter name** (postmarked by March 14, 2021)
3. **Pay online** with a credit card through FFCCHA website **including Chapter name** (contact us ASAP for help with this and get the discount since chapter membership fees vary)

**Note:** for #2 and #3, FFCCHA would send payment of the local portion directly to the chapter in April.

We also have sponsors donating **door prizes** (gift cards) and **all provider names who join or renew themselves OR their parents March 1-14 will be included in the drawing**. We will announce the winners at the April 17 virtual meeting.

If you have any questions, contact your local FFCCHA Chapter Rep or the FFCCHA Membership Officer, Wendy Corso-Ruud at [membership@familychildcare.org](mailto:membership@familychildcare.org)





## FFCCHA Full Board: Area Rep Leadership Position Application

Deadline: February 5, 2021

2 year terms begin July 1

FFCCHA Nominations, 19811 NW 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., Miami Gardens, FL 33169

**Questions?** Contact Arleen Lambert at 305-651-9617 or via email [nominations@familychildcare.org](mailto:nominations@familychildcare.org)

Applications can be submitted via e-mail, land mail, fax, or hand delivery.

**Full Board Area Representatives:** *Circle One*

**Elected in Odd Year:** 1 3 5 7 9 11 13 15 17 19 21 23 25 27 29 31

**Elected in Even Years:** 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26 28 30

*If two or more applicants are received by Feb. 5 that qualify, then election is by **all** members using ballots in the April newsletter. Election Ballots are opened, counted and certified by a non-voting third party. If position is vacant, or no applicants are received by Feb. 5, then must still apply and qualify, and position is appointed by the President.*

**Please Print:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ Area #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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

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

How long have you been an active child care provider? \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you been a member of FFCCHA? \_\_\_\_\_

*By-laws require a minimum of 2 years as a regulated FL provider and 1 year as a FFCCHA provider member.*

**Please include and attach the following with your application:**

- **RESUME**
- **TWO LETTERS OF REFERENCE** (one from 2 of the categories below): Must be dated within the last 6 months and include name, address, phone number, occupation and number of years they have known you.
  - Local Agency (coalition, resource and referral, licensing, food program, or another child care agency)
  - Local Chapter (if there is not a local association, use a community or civic organization)
  - Parent/guardian of a child currently in your care.
- **ESSAY:** In 300 words or less, tell us about yourself and your reason for seeking the office. Elaborate on what skills or experience you possess that would qualify you for this position.
- **COPY OF YOUR LICENSE OR REGISTRATION**

I, the undersigned do hereby state that I meet the qualifications as indicated in the by-laws of FFCCHA, Inc. If elected/appointed, I understand my job responsibilities and hereby agree to perform those duties to the best of my ability as leader of FFCCHA, Inc.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*revised 01/2021*





## FFCCHA Credential Scholarship Application

Requirements: Must be a Florida Licensed Family Child Care Provider,  
a FFCCHA chapter provider member and NAFCC member.



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

- ☐ NAFCC New Accreditation: Self Study  
☐ NAFCC Accreditation: Update

- ☐ NAFCC New Accreditation: Application  
☐ NAFCC Re-accreditation: Application

*Note: \$600/person/year is the maximum awarded in time period July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.*

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 OR receipt of purchase.**

**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 her at [aright933@aol.com](mailto:aright933@aol.com)**

Office verification: Regulation \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Member since \_\_\_\_\_ FFCCHA \_\_\_\_\_ NAFCC \_\_\_\_\_

Application Revised 7-2020



## 2021 Annual Essay Awards

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc.

**Send essay to:** FFCCHA Awards  
2050 Ryan Road, St Augustine, FL 32092

**Deadline: Must be postmarked by March 31, 2021**

or e-mail: [renieroach@yahoo.com](mailto:renieroach@yahoo.com)

Type **ESSAY AWARD** in the subject line of the email

Questions? Call Renie Roach 904-436-5799

The following awards will be presented at the June 2021 conference at the Embassy Suites Orlando-Buena Vista South, Kissimmee, Florida.

Select one: (Please submit a separate form with Essay for each award)

☐ **Advocate Hall of Fame**

☐ **Outstanding Chapter**

☐ **Provider Hall of Fame**

☐ **AHAP-Agency Helping Association Prosper**

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 May 1, 2020 and March 31, 2021. They will need to submit a chapter display board spotlighting the event at the conference and will receive one comp hotel night at the Embassy Suites in Kissimmee.

♦ **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 who 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 who is very supportive** and promotes the state association - FFCCHA, Inc. and promotes family child care as a profession.



## 2021 Parent Choice Award

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc.

**Send essay to: FFCCHA Parent Choice Award** 2050 Ryan Road, St Augustine, FL 32092

**OR e-mail: renieroach@yahoo.com** Please **type PARENT CHOICE in the subject line**

Questions? Call Renie Roach at 904-436-5799 **Deadline: Postmark by March 11, 2021**

Note: The **Parent Choice Award** is given to **3 outstanding FFCCHA provider members** nominated by a parent. The winners will be recognized at the FFCCHA Conference on Friday, June 25th in Kissimmee, Florida. Each winner of this award will receive one complimentary hotel night accommodation at the Embassy Suites Orlando - Buena Vista South Hotel during the 2021 FFCCHA conference in June. Registration to the FFCCHA conference is the responsibility of the winner. We also encourage the provider to apply separately with FFCCHA for a registration scholarship as a hostess/volunteer.

Provider Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

Parent Submitting Essay (Print) First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents – Please submit an essay of 300 words or less titled: **My Provider is Outstanding...**

Office use: Date received \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Provider Membership verification/expiration FFCCHA \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ NAFCC \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_



## 2021 Outstanding Accredited Provider Award

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc.

**Send essay to: FFCCHA Accredited Award** 2050 Ryan Road, St Augustine, FL 32092

**OR E-mail: renieroach@yahoo.com**

**Type ACCREDITED PROVIDER ESSAY in the subject line**

Questions? Call Renie Roach at 904-436-5799 **Deadline: Postmark by March 21, 2021**

Note: The **Outstanding Accredited Provider Award** is given to one FFCCHA provider chapter member currently accredited by the National Association for Family Child Care (NAFCC). The winner will be recognized at the FFCCHA conference. The winner of this award will receive one complimentary hotel night accommodation at the Embassy Suites Orlando-Buena Vista South Hotel, during the 2021 FFCCHA conference in June. Registration to the FFCCHA conference is the responsibility of the winner. We encourage you to apply separately with FFCCHA for a registration scholarship as a hostess/volunteer.

Provider Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

Chapter Name: \_\_\_\_\_ # Years as a Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Provider Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ # Years NAFCC Accredited: \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit an essay of 300 words or less titled: **My Accredited Program is Outstanding...**  
(Essay **MUST** be written by the Provider).

Office use: Date received \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Provider Membership verification/expiration FFCCHA Chapter \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ NAFCC \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
NAFCC Accreditation \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_





## Volunteer Application for Scholarships for 2021 Conference Registrations

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc  
29th Annual Conference, June 23-27, 2021

**"Enhancing Our Minds...In 2021"**

Location: Embassy Suites Orlando, Kissimmee, FL 34746



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

### **Volunteer Qualifications/Requirements:**

1. **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 valid thru June 30)
2. Complete and submit this scholarship form along with the **\$35.00 fee--NO Refunds**. Returned checks assessed a \$47 fee.
3. **Attend a volunteer orientation before going to conference:** check only one  
☐ **TBA** (English and Spanish orientations) **virtual meeting in April - may be a call or virtual zoom**  
☐ **TBA** (both in English) at 7:00pm via **phone conference call** (call details emailed to you in May)  
☐ **TBA** (Tuesday) **in Spanish only** at 7:00pm via **phone conference call** (call details emailed to you in May)
4. **Attend** the entire conference day(s) that you applied for. Turn in a **completed conference evaluation**.
5. **Wear a white blouse with black skirt or pants** when serving your 3 volunteer hours. (no tank tops or shorts)
6. **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** Robin Dean 3709 Casaba Loop, Valrico, FL 33596

### **Deadline: April 30, 2021**

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.

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### **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

### **Print Clearly:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Language: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Language: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 County: \_\_\_\_\_ Local Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of FCC Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Is this your first conference? \_\_\_\_\_

**Check all that apply:** ☐ Registered ☐ Licensed ☐ Large Licensed ☐ VPK ☐ NAFCC Accredited ☐ NAFCC Observer ☐ EHS (Early Head Start) ☐ Director Credential ☐ College Degree, Type: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Please rate your first 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Keynote

**You must write 30 words or less** on how receiving a scholarship to this conference will benefit your child care.

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### **PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT ---> SIGN AND DATE!**

I, the undersigned, do hereby state:

check one below:

- \* I am a current Florida family childcare **member** of FFCCHA, Inc. ☐ **registered** ☐ **licensed** ☐ **co-provider**  
 \* 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 Robin Dean** at (813)205-4432 or via e-mail: NanasLearningPost@gmail.com  
**Conference scholarships go quickly, so don't be left out! Send completed form today!**

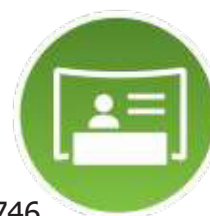
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## Call for Exhibitors, Ads, & Donations

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc  
29th Annual Conference, June 23-27, 2021

**"Enhancing Our Minds...In 2021"**



Location: Embassy Suites Orlando, Lake Buena Vista South, Kissimmee, FL 34746

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 24-27.**

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 Feb 28, 2021; Mar 1 - 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 21, 2021**

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 21, 2021 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 21, 2021 and send to address below. Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes!** We would like to ENHANCE MINDS and CONTRIBUTE a **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: Karan Hiester, Conference Coordinator, 386-689-3046 [conference@familychildcare.org](mailto:conference@familychildcare.org)

**Deadlines:** Jan. 31, 2021 for listing in Conference Brochure; Feb. 18 for April listing in The Grapevine newsletter; May 8 for listing in Conference Program Book; June 8 for listing at the conference

**Make check payable 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](mailto:JittaBugTrainings@gmail.com)

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## Call for Workshop Presenters

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc  
29th Annual Conference, June 23-27, 2021  
***"Enhancing Our Minds...In 2021"***



Location: Embassy Suites Orlando, Kyngs Heath Rd, Kissimmee, FL 34746

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: March 21, 2021**

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 the **primary presenter only** 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 (2-3 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/Nutrition   ☐ Special Needs   ☐ Leadership Skills   ☐ Business Practices   ☐ VPK  
☐ Legislation, Advocacy   ☐ Behavior Challenges, Social/Emotional   ☐ Parent Involvement   ☐ Credentials  
☐ EHS-Early Head Start   ☐ Infant/Toddler   ☐ Preschool   ☐ School-Age   ☐ STEM   ☐ 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. **You must supply your own computer and projector.**

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

**Preference for workshop time:** ☐ Friday, June 25   ☐ AM or ☐ PM      ☐ Saturday, June 26   ☐ AM or ☐ PM

**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

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

**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: [conference@familychildcare.org](mailto:conference@familychildcare.org)

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

Contact Karan Hiester, Conference Coordinator via e-mail: [conference@familychildcare.org](mailto:conference@familychildcare.org)  
or call 386-957-4482





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*Parents! Sponsor the Florida Family Child Care Home Association 2021 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 2021 conference (must be submitted by June 1, 2021)
- ☐ \$10 - Display photo at 2021 conference AND Capitol for Children's Day (must submit two forms by March 20, 2021)
- ☐ \$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 March 20, 2021)
- ☐ 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 2021" 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 2022. 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, 2021.

**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., 3660 Tomlin Dr. Cocoa, FL 32926**

**Call: 321-890-8366 or email: [fundraiser@familychildcare.org](mailto:fundraiser@familychildcare.org) if you have any questions**

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

# Save the Date!



**Enhancing  
Our Minds...  
in 2021**

## FFCCHA

### 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference | June 23-27, 2021

Embassy Suites Orlando - Lake Buena Vista South, 4955 Kyngs Heath Road, Kissimmee, FL 34746

#### 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

#### *Unconscious to Conscious...Through Cultural Humility*

Juliana Mosley PhD, Chief Diversity, Inclusion & Community Relations Officer at Chestnut Hill College

#### Concilio Latino y Talleres en Español

Provider Celebration on Saturday Night!

#### Sunday Keynote

with FFCCHA General Meeting

Visit [www.familychildcare.org](http://www.familychildcare.org) for more conference updates!

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July 7-10, 2021 - New Orleans, Louisiana



### SAVE THE DATES!!!

**"FFCCHA Enhancing our Minds...in 2021" June 23-27 -**

Certified M.E.N.T.O.R. Program Training: June 23-24

Location: Embassy Suites by Hilton Orlando Lake Buena Vista

South • 4955 Kyngs Heath Road, Kissimmee, FL 34746

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**"FFCCHA Enhancing Our Minds...in 2022" June 22-26 -**

Certified M.E.N.T.O.R. Program Training: June 22-23

Sheraton Sand Key Resort, 1160 Gulf Blvd., Clearwater Beach,

FL 33767 727-595-1611 • [www.sheratonsandkey.com](http://www.sheratonsandkey.com)

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OR contact

Tammy Tener, FFCCHA Executive Director

via e-mail: [tenerfcc@gmail.com](mailto:tenerfcc@gmail.com) or call 407-234-3473

*Save the date!*

**APRIL 4-9, 2021**

