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SUM-SUM-SUMMER TIME!

Summer 2023

President's Message:

It's an honor to be the new FFCCHA President on the heels of such a phenomenal conference! This year was exceptional, with many international, national, and state, early childhood leaders in attendance. I would like to give special thanks to Alejandra Orozco and Claudia Sosa, Representatives of the First Lady of the Republic of El Salvador, and Rocío Castillo, Representative of Costa Rica University; Erica Phillips, the ED of the National Association for Family Child Care; Hue Reynolds, FL DCF Director of Licensing, and FL DOE Division of Early Learning Chancellor Cari Miller.

As the landscape of early care and education is changing, we would like to thank our FFCCHA members for their continued support. Your family child care voice matters; YOU matter. Let's continue to work on providing high-quality services in our local communities. I encourage you to join our leadership team by applying for a Committee chair, Area Rep or Executive Committee (officer) position. Please utilize membership benefits such as scholarships for professional development training and NAFCC accreditation.

My goal as the president is to help foster opportunities for growth and development for all our current and future members.

We value your experience and commitment to the field of early childhood.

Let's continue to raise our voices and fulfill FFCCHA's mission statement, to "Represent a united voice on behalf of all children to promote and encourage quality professional Family Child care through education, legislation, advocacy, mentoring, caring, and love."

We are family child care!

Sincerely,

Arleen Lambert

FFCCHA President

Mensaje de Nuestra Presidente:

Es un honor ser el nuevo Presidente de FFCCHA inmediatamente después de una conferencia tan fenomenal! Éste año fue excepcional, asistieron muchos líderes internacionales, nacionales y estatales de la primera infancia. Me gustaría dar un agradecimiento especial a Alejandra Orozco y Claudia Sosa, representantes de la Primera Dama de la República de El Salvador, y Rocío Castillo, representante de la Universidad de Costa Rica; Erica Phillips, la ED de la Asociación Nacional de Cuidado Infantil Familiar; Hue Reynolds, Directora de FL DCF Licencias, y FL DOE División de Aprendizaje Temprana Canciller Cari Miller.

El panorama de la educación en la primera infancia está cambiando, nos gustaría agradecer a nuestro miembros por su continuo apoyo. Su voz en los cuidados familiares de niños cuenta; TÚ importas. Sigamos trabajando en una prestación de servicios de alta calidad en nuestras comunidades locales. Les animo a unirse a nuestro equipo de liderazgo aplicando a ser parte de nuestro comité, representante de área o Posición del Comité Ejecutivo (Oficial). Utilice beneficios de membresía tales como becas para la formación profesional para el desarrollo y reconocimiento de acreditación NAFCC.

Mi objetivo como presidente es ayudar a fomentar oportunidades para el crecimiento y desarrollo de todos nuestros actuales y futuros miembros. Valoramos su experiencia y compromiso en el campo de la primera infancia. Sigamos alzando nuestras voces y cumpliendo la declaración de la misión de FFCCHA, para "Representar una voz unida en el nombre de todos los niños para promover y apoyar profesionalmente la calidad del cuidado infantil familiar a través de la educación, la legislación, la promoción, la mentoría. el cuidado y amor".

¡Somos un cuidado infantil familiar!

Sinceramente,

Arleen Lambert, FFCCHA Presidente



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Members of FFCCHA who serve on Early Learning Coalitions

Cynthia Chipp - ELC of Hillsborough
Nichola Griffiths/Butts - ELC of Palm Beach
Naomi Helligar - ELC of Osceola County
Cecil Wilson - ELC of Marion County

Members of FFCCHA who serve on other Boards / Councils

Tammy Tener, Kissha Ballard, and Arleen Lambert - The FUTURE Project - The Children's Movement
Kissha Ballard - ERIKSON Institute - Pre-K in Family Child Care Project
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, and Early Childhood Policy Works Advocacy Fellow
Karen Robinson - Palm Beach County Health Department Child Care Advisory Council and Palm Beach State College Advisory Council
Patricia Williams - North Florida Chapter of FLAEYC representing Family Child Care

Credential Scholarship News

By Abbie Bill, Scholarship Chair

3 Scholarships were awarded this quarter
 (April 1 - June 30, 2023) \$1155

NAFCC Self Study \$315: Juliette Harrell, Tonia Hammond
NAFCC Reaccreditation \$525: Ora Byrden

WE HAVE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE NOW!!

When applying for a scholarship, make sure you thoroughly read the scholarship form and send ALL requested documents.

Applications are available NOW! In this issue of The Grapevine or online.

Questions? Contact me at 561-445-7333 or aright933@aol.com.



April & June Meeting News

Submitted by Renie Roach, Acting Secretary

On **Saturday, April 29, 2023**, FFCCHA held a very informative training and General Meeting in Ocala. "Introduction to Autism and Primitive Reflexes in Early Childhood Settings" was presented by Janis Nakagama, M.A.Ed., and it was engaging as well as informative. Ms. Nakagama was asked to return for a second session to have further discussions on the subject.

The FFCCHA Quarterly General Meeting was called to order at 2:35pm, with one First-timer, Roshia Bryant, Orlando Area #17. Several motions carried, including Approvals of:

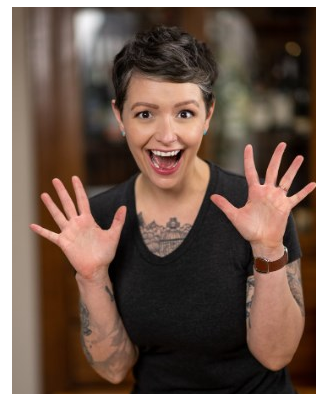
- Executive Board recommendation of Comped Rooms at our Conference hotel, the Sheraton Sand Key in Clearwater;
- Mentors for a project with Wonderschool;
- Strategic Planning Project with ECE Experts;
- Attendees for NAFCC July conference in Atlanta, preconference and flights for thirteen plus ED;
- Expenses for April 29, 2023 meeting; and
- Nomination of Area 7 Rep Patricia Williams, Area Rep Coordinator, Jennifer Richards, and Area 17 Rep Sonji Mitchell.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45pm.

On **Sunday, June 25, 2023**, on the last day of the FFCCHA Conference in Clearwater Beach, our brilliant guest speaker **Rachel Giannini** spoke on Every Moment Matters, presenting the documentary film, "No Small Matters." The FFCCHA Annual General Meeting was called to order at 9:57am by President Lois Kendrick.

A record attendance of 168 was counted which is the most ever to attend a General Meeting.

New and current officers were installed and they all reaffirmed their commitment to the FFCCHA association and members. The General Meeting was adjourned at 10:57am.



Events Calendar 2023-24

September - July

***Start planning** for FFCCHA June 2024 conference – make your hotel reservations now before we sell out!

***Apply** for FFCCHA current **OPEN** Board Applications to start now: **Secretary, Latino Liaison, Legislative Liaison and OPEN Area Reps and Chair positions**

September

9 Executive Committee Leadership Training

October

11-12 NAFCC Observer Training, Omni Hotel, Orlando

11-15 FLAEYC conference, Omni Hotel, Orlando

November

4 FFCCHA in-person Leadership Summit and Full Board Meeting

15-17 NAEYC Conference, Nashville, TN

17 Deadline for January newsletter

December

Apply NOW for FFCCHA Board Positions and Even number Area Reps to start in July 2024: Membership, Treasurer, Professional Development, Chapter Coordinator, Secretary, Public Relations

January 2024

14-19 Children's Week, Tallahassee; Visit: childrensweek.org

14 Hanging of the Hands, Capitol, Tallahassee

15 Advocacy Dinner and Ceremony

16 Children's Day, Tallahassee

February

TBA Full Board Meeting

17 Deadline for April newsletter

April

TBA Full Board Meeting

May

17 Deadline for July newsletter

June

26-30 FFCCHA Enhancing Our Minds 2024 Conference, Clearwater Beach

30 FFCCHA General Meeting, Clearwater Beach

July

17-19 One Goal Summer Conference, Hilton, Tampa, FL

24-27 NAFCC Conference, St. Louis, MO



Summer Membership News

Membership Officer – Wendy Corso-Ruud

Congratulations to our SUMMER Chapter Membership-Drive Winners!!

Heart to Heart FCCA (April)

Palm Beach FCCA (May)

Multicultural FCCA and Central Florida FCCA (June)

Recognition of the **Chapter** that submits the most new members, renewals, or advocate-members is given monthly.

IMPORTANT:

Please renew your membership before it expires to avoid a lapse in your membership! Expiration date is located just above your name on the back of this FFCCHA newsletter, **The Grapevine**.

Remember, you can renew your **CHAPTER membership** online by going to our Chapter Membership link: <https://familychildcare.org/product-category/chapter-memberships/> If your Chapter is **not listed**, go to FFCCHA memberships <https://familychildcare.org/product/ffccha-membership/> and select CHAPTER PROVIDER, then write in your Chapter in the NOTE box. Please, please **do not join** as an INDIVIDUAL provider if you are a **member of a Local Association (Chapter)**. You must renew thru your Chapter. PLEASE **call me if you need any help (561)715-1361**.

So far, these **11** CHAPTERS are online! *Brevard Sunshine FCCA, Central Florida FCCA, FCCA of Jacksonville, Heart to Heart FCCA, HCCPA of Manatee, Marion County FCCA, Multicultural FCCA of Orange County, North Florida CCA, Putnam County FCCA, Quality FCCA, and South Florida HCCA!!*

And remember, as an added benefit, all FFCCHA Members can join NAFCC at a discounted rate (\$5 off).

Our numbers keep growing!! Membership breakdown as of 7/31/2023:

Chapter/Full Providers: 423

Advocates: 30

Individual Members: 53

Lifetime & Honorary Members: 10

Agencies: 1

Total: 620

Chapters: 17

Co-Providers: 65

Parent Members: 21

And again, when joining or renewing, remember to PLEASE use the correct and updated individual/parent/chapter membership forms available on website.

If you have questions or need anything, please give me a shout!! **HUGS!**



We are up to 915 likes on our Facebook page!! WOOHOOO!!

www.facebook.com/FFCCHA
Share and Like us NOW! :) Click on our link below:



TALK OF THE TOWN

AREA 21 - Hillsborough County

Neomi Thompson



Neomi Thompson was born in Jamaica, W.I., and relocated to the United States in 1980. She has two adult sons, five grandchildren, and a set of twin grandchildren on the way. Her motivation to start a family childcare home came from a supervisor writing her up unfairly, causing her to take a closer look at her career accomplishments. She knows her worth and wanted to contribute more to society. She remembers going to a friend's family child care home one day, sitting and watching how she worked with the children, and Neomi wanted to know all there was to operating a childcare like hers.

She remembers procrastinating about what she promised herself she would do, and in the meantime, she had transitioned from the job where she was unfairly written up, to being a Community Service Officer (CSO) 9046 with the Florida Highway Patrol. After two years of school and finally working, she remembered working a crash on I-4 in January 2000, when another vehicle crashed into her patrol car, sending her to the hospital. She quickly realized that she needed to wake up and follow her dream of being a Licensed Child Care Provider. Within seven months, she was licensed and passionate about working with children; she returned to school, earned an Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Management, then graduated in December 2022 with her bachelor's degree in Educational Studies & Community Leadership. Neomi is passionate about the future generation of heroes and wants them to achieve their potential by embracing knowledge early. Helping children to never giving up on their dreams is what motivates her the most.

Currently she is living in Tampa, has been licensed for 23 years, and has been NAFCC Accredited for 21 years straight. She served her local FFCCHA chapter child care association (HCCPA of NE Hillsborough County) by being a coordinator. She loves relaxing, shopping, gardening, and worshipping her Heavenly Father in her spare time. Graduating from the Business Leadership Institute has also been a great accomplishment. She plans to open and operate an extended-hour childcare facility soon, and thanks us for allowing her to share her passion.

Please submit a "Talk of the Town" article about someone special from Areas 24 - 31.

Submissions must be submitted by August 17, 2023 to the Newsletter Editor: Wendy Corso-Ruud at ruud3@aol.com Thank you!

Support FFCCHA

Gertrude Freeman-Ford, Fundraising

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU,
from your fundraising team.
Teamwork certainly makes the dream work!



There were so many wonderful individuals who made our time at the conference a time to remember, that I cannot list everyone. Please know that FFCCHA appreciates your support. We had a great time at conference and were able to raise an amazing \$1,306.00 from all your donations.

Please continue to support FFCCHA by setting aside your CLEAN and gently used items (such as childcare toys, supplies, and home-goods) along with the donation of gift cards for future in-person events and meetings.

And now, please help me welcome our new Fundraising Officer, **Ms. Danish Williams**. If you should have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call Danish at 305-495-5029 or email her at fundraiser@familychildcare.org

Noticias Del Concilio Latino

Alma Diaz, Latino Liaison

Hola Proveedoras!

Quiero informarles al grupo Latino de FFCCHA que nuestra conferencia FFCCHA 2023 fue todo un triunfo. Tuvimos una buena asistencia, llegaron proveedoras de diferentes lugares, el ambiente fue muy divertido y unido, mil gracias por tu apoyo. A nuestras presentadoras hispanas quiero darles las gracias por esas presentaciones que estuvieron muy informativas.

Por primera vez en la historia de FFCCHA, asistieron presentadoras internacionales como Alejandra Orozco y Claudia Sosa, representantes de la Primera dama de la Republica de El Salvador, y la Doctora Rocio Castillo representante de la Universidad de Costa Rica.

Como todas uds. saben, he sido la representante de Latino Liaison por 4 años, en los cuales concluyeron en Junio 2023. Fue para mi un viaje de muchos lindos recuerdos que llevaré conmigo por el resto de mi vida. Muchas gracias por la oportunidad que me dieron de haberles servido, siempre estaré a sus ordenes. No les digo un adiós si no hasta pronto.

Necesitamos que una líder como tu, con buenas capacidades de liderazgo que aplique para esta posición, yo estaré dispuesta para capacitar y ayudar. Nuestra asociación FFCCHA necesita de ti y nuestras proveedoras latinas también.

Que Dios las bendiga muchísimo, que sus negocios florezcan cada día más, y que nuestros niños cuando crezcan pongan en alto a los cuidados infantiles en casa.

Muchos abrazos, *Alma*



Public Relations News

Rendy Bethel-Avila, Public Relations

Having a meeting, workshop, or training session coming up soon? Create an amazing DISPLAY TABLE! You can even use any of our PR materials for virtual meetings and presentations with your ELC, Food Program and your own Chapter Association meeting.



No time to wait?? You can always print directly from our FFCCHA website under the Publications tab <https://familychildcare.org/resources/publications/>

Our many items include pull-up stand-up banners, display boards, and brochures and flyers in both English and Spanish. You can also advertise your business in our Grapevine Newsletter! For more info, contact Rendy at publicrelations@familychildcare.org or call 407-354-0840.

Chapter Rep News

Dr. Angela-Perla Almodovar, Chapter Rep Coordinator

I genuinely want to take a moment to thank the FFCCHA Chapter Representatives for all the support they have provided me in my new role as a Chapter Coordinator.



**Congratulations to the Chapter Rep of the Quarter
from Quality FCCA Chapter
Robin Dean**

Welcome to the newest Chapter Reps:

Stephanie Minus Multicultural FCCA of Orange County
Marjorie Wheeler of Marion County FCCA
Myrna Wright of Duval County

**Chapters Representatives
and Community Involvement**

Community involvement is meaningful, constant participation in activities that support and improve upon social wellbeing. Community involvement examples include engaging with, volunteering for, or donating to local schools, neighborhood associations, government, and/or nonprofit organizations.

Congratulations to **North Florida Family Child Care Association** for conducting a "Back to School Drive" on August 11. This Local Chapter provided a backpack full of school supplies for children, bags of cleaning supplies for teachers, as well as extra snacks for the students.

**MENTOR News July 2023**

Abbie Bill - Mentor Program Chair

Congratulations to the following Family Child Care Providers who attended the Mentor training at our June conference! **Adrienne Burke-Richardson, Renee Jones, Dietra Sherman, Neomi Thompson, and Myrna Wright.**

Congratulations to **Renee Jones and Myrna Wright** who have completed their initial 5 hours of mentoring and are now Certified Mentor I.

Mentors, please make sure you are sending me any updates on your credentials and in-service hours needed for each year. If you have any questions on what is needed, contact me.

If you are not a mentor but would like help from a mentor or have questions or concerns about accreditation, please contact me. Mentors are trained to help in many other areas, not just accreditation.

Questions? Abbie Bill 561-445-7333 aright933@aol.com



Be Positive

Area Rep News

Jennifer Richards, Area Rep Coordinator

**Congratulations to the Area Rep of the Quarter,
from Area 20 Polk County
Fariha Zuberi**

Welcome to our two newest Area Reps

Cynthia Durr of Area 13, and
Sonji Mitchell of Area 17

Your stepping up to the plate is so appreciated, ladies.

There are still 20 openings on our board! If you are interested in becoming an Area Rep for the Florida Family Child Care Home Association, please complete the application and all supporting documentation and submit them to me at jjrichards23@gmail.com

If you have any questions, or need more information, please feel free to call at 386-846-9567.

**"It always seems
impossible until it's done."**
Nelson Mandela



FFCCHA in the News Danish Williams

On Saturday, May 6, 2023, **Danish V. Williams**, received the 2022-2023 Program of the Year Award for Family Child Care, from the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade /Monroe County.

She was delighted to receive the award while some of her biggest supporters watched on, including her mother, Katie Mae Williams, and some of her current students, who were all there to celebrate this special occasion.

Danish is the current Vice President of her local association South Florida Family Home Child Care Association, as well as the Area 31 Representative of the FFCCHA, representing Miami-Dade County. Ms. Williams worked diligently to build great relationships with many local childcare agencies, such as the ELC, DCF, and Miami Children Initiatives. Ms. Williams is one of the go-to person in the family childcare home community. She is highly regarded in Liberty City where her childcare program is located. Ms. Williams started her career in early childhood in 1983 when she worked at a childcare facility for over twenty years. In 2006 she began working as a substitute for her mother, until she took over the business. She continues to provide a high-quality childcare service in her community. On July 1st, 2023, Danish Williams stepped into the new role as the Fundraising Officer of FFCCHA. Danish Williams, we celebrate your success.



FFCCHA in the News Robin Dean

Just before our own FFCCHA 31st Annual Conference, Robin Dean was asked to be on a "teacher" panel in June representing Family Child Care during an all-inclusive PreK Least Restrictive Environment Collaborative Meeting.

She learned of resources to support children with differing needs. When it was the "teacher" panel time, she realized she was the only one still actively teaching. The audience was all administrators, coaches, and social services people that support inclusion. The attendees were thankful that a FCC provider was invited to speak.

Robin was able to share what implementing inclusion looks like in a family child care home and anywhere. Including reading social stories or stories that address the struggles, using visual supports, teaching skills needed, and teaching before an event occurs, not during an event. The panel spoke about turning teaching off at 3:00pm to be balanced, and Robin explained that FCC homes do not have that option. She shared the typical hours FCC homes are open, (some are 24 hours), most of us are still in professional development, and then they clean until late. She also shared that she begins and ends her day with Bible study, that is how she makes it through the day.

Here are some helpful websites: <https://www.floridainclusionnetwork.com/> and <https://www.floridainclusionnetwork.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Tats-and-FIN-Magazine-Final.pdf>
If you need me to clarify anything, please contact me at NanasLearningPost@gmail.com

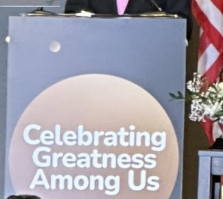
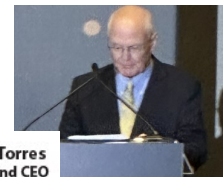
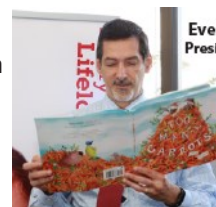


FFCCHA in the News Arleen Lambert and Angela-Perla Almodovar

The **Children's Trust Champions for Children Awards Ceremony** is a special event honoring individuals who support and advocate for child care and families across Miami-Dade County to celebrate their exceptional work and commitment. The 17th Annual ceremony celebrated on Thursday 27th April 2023 was emotionally inspiring.

As family child care professionals, we are proud to recognize and honor all our local and state leaders who have made a lasting impact on our children and families, and this day, we celebrated Mr. Evelio Torres, President and CEO of the Early Learning Coalition of Miami Dade/Monroe. Mr. Torres' dedication has been an incredible example of leadership and advocacy for the well-being of the children in our community. His work has helped to ensure that all children have access to quality early education and family support services. We salute Mr. Torres for his achievements and for being a Champion for Children.

We are grateful to Mr. Lawrence for his tireless efforts in supporting the interests of our children and families. The *David Lawrence Jr. Award* is a testament to his commitment to making a positive difference in the lives of our children and families.



Message from the President, Arleen: Our FFCCHA 31st Annual Conference was AWESOME!!! A big Shout out to Tammy Tener, Conference Coordinator, and to Karan Heister, Conference Assistant, and our awesome conference team. The conference was well-attended with beautiful décor throughout, we had some wonderful key note speakers, presenters, trainers, along with incredible exhibitors, hotel staff. We celebrate ALL those who received well-deserved awards, with many thanks to DCF, ELCs in FL, EHS, and other agencies that participated in sponsoring scholarships to Family Child Care providers to attend workshops and pre-conference trainings. THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!! Now start planning for next year's conference at the same time, same location, June 26-30, 2024! We look forward to seeing you there!





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Hurricane Season is officially underway, and the Department of Children and Families is encouraging you to be prepared. The season began June 1 and continues through November 30. All providers are encouraged to take the time to prepare their families and homes for the season. Additionally, now is a good time to review your program's emergency preparedness plan and ensure all necessary supplies are available.

When reviewing your plan, think about activities that occur before/after a storm. Below are some examples.

Before the Storm:

- Coordinate with your licensing counselor to ensure that your contact information is update to date
- Make sure child care personnel (substitutes and employees for Large Family Child Care Home) know your program's Emergency Preparedness policies and procedures
- Have a plan in place for communicating with parents/guardians
- Ensure you have hurricane supplies
- Secure buildings and any outdoor items that are not anchored down

After the Storm:

- Contact your licensing counselor within 24 hours to update them on the operational status of your program
- If your program is without power you may not operate, unless powered by an alternate power source, such as a generator, that is permanently installed and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and comply with the Florida Building Code and the Florida Fire Prevention Code 69A-60, F.A.C. The alternate power source and fuel supply shall be located in an area that is not subject to flooding or damage from storm surge
- Childcare programs may re-open/remain open if there is no structural damage, the site has full electrical service, and the water and sewage/septic tank are working properly

Visit www.myflfamilies.com/childcare to view Emergency Preparedness information in the "Providers" section.

Take every precaution to be safe!



ANNOUNCING A NEW ONLINE COURSE!

Want to avoid the most common violations?

In July, the Department of Children and Families launched the "**Stay Compliant with the Top Ten Violations (SCTT)**" online course.

This new course will help you identify the most common violations and how to avoid them. Visit www.myflfamilies.com/childcaretraining for training information. Or log into your Child Care Training Account to view online courses.



Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc. – August 2023

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4	Holmes, Jackson, Franklin, Bay, Calhoun, Washington, Gulf	Open	Temporary: Eva Anderson	850-936-0348	myladyava@gmail.com
5	Liberty, Gadsden, Leon, Taylor, Wakulla, Jefferson, Madison	Matline Ford	Tallahassee 32305	850-877-3885	area5rep@familychildcare.org
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FFCCHA Hits Atlanta for the 2023 NAFCC Annual Conference

Florida was represented in person at the NAFCC conference on July 12-15, 2023, at the Renaissance Atlanta Waverly Hotel & Convention Center in Atlanta, GA, with a total of 34 FFCCHA provider members.

Several FFCCHA members arrived early to attend Wednesday Pre-Conference Trainings, while FFCCHA Executive Director, **Tammy Tener**, attended the Gathering of FCC Networks by The Office of Child Care's (OCC's) National Center on Early Childhood Quality Assurance (NCECQA). 7 attended the "Ignite" Leadership Training: **Kissha Ballard, Cynthia Chipp, Wendy Corso-Ruud, Alma Diaz, Gertrude Ford, Arleen Lambert**, and **Mary Morris**. Also, **Annette Eberhart** was a pre-conference Co-presenter for the NAFCC Observer Training (2-days W-TH, along with trainees: **Eva Anderson** and **Perla Almodovar**. On Wednesday night, several members attended the off-site President's Reception/Dinner sponsored by Beyond Paper, FCC Experts, and Lakeshore.

Three of the attendees are also volunteer NAFCC Reps for Florida, **Eva Anderson**, Region A (NE and NW), **Cynthia Chipp**, Region C (Suncoast & SE) and **Arleen Lambert**, Region D (South), who attended the NAFCC Rep meeting. Several members attended the Latino Caucus and Black Caucus sessions during the conference.

On Friday morning, at the Plenary session with Katie Hamm, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Early Childhood Development, Office of Early Childhood Development (ECD), Arleen Lambert (new President of Florida Family Child Care Home Association- FFCCHA) was one of the panelists along with Mary Curry (Executive Director of Yes! for Early Success) and Amber Bilby, (President of Colorado Association of Family Child Care).

On Friday evening, 16 members attended the Bainum Family Foundation reception and then headed to the NAFCC Reception & Accreditation "Toast to Quality" where 14 FFCCHA members that are FL Gold Seal Providers were recognized for being NAFCC accredited. They were from Duval County: **Patricia Williams, Lucinda Hightower**, Hillsborough County: **Latonya Campbell, Cynthia Chipp, Dayna Curry, Robin Dean, Annette Eberhart**, Marion County: **Bernadette Jones, Gwen Wilson**, Orange County: **Rosemary Hartage**, Palm Beach County: **Mary Morris, Vivene Smith, Kelisha Buchanan-Webb, Patricia Oliver, Nichola Butts, LaConia Butler**. Annette Eberhart was also honored and recognized as new Accreditation Council Chair. **FFCCHA** was honored with the NAFCC Accreditation Facilitation Project of the Year.

Eleven others attending NAFCC conference from Florida were: Kwaneshia Griffin, Veronica Hudson, Ezziola Jones, Anna Kinchens (from Lift Orlando), Lula Owens, Zipporah Morris, Jennifer Richards, Aniya Simmons, Jessica Thurmond, Marjorie Wheeler, and Nicola Wheeler. Everyone had a wonderful time and it was great to learn from all of the keynotes and workshop session presenters and to meet all the Exhibitors, Sponsors, NAFCC Staff, Board members, old and new acquaintances, providers and attendees from all over the nation! Future NAFCC conferences were announced: St. Louis, Missouri on July 24-27, 2024, and Dallas, Texas in 2025.



Music and Movement Time / Making Castanets

Christina Brown - CFAFCC Provider member in Orlando 32826

Summer is coming to an end, kids are returning to school, and it's time to look forward to the holiday fall season. It's always an exciting time of the year to decorate homes and lead the children into creating holiday crafts. As we get into the later months, one of the first holidays that we like to celebrate in our home child care is Hispanic Heritage month (September 15 through October 15). National Hispanic Heritage Month is also celebrated annually during the same time in the United States for recognizing the contributions and influence of Hispanic Americans to the history, culture, and achievements for the United States.

Teaching the children about the Hispanic community includes delicious food, meaningful story times, and uplifting music played with a variety of instruments. To get the children in your classroom excited about this holiday, create a fun lesson on Spain's famous Flamenco dancing and to add to it by making castanets together. This is a simple teacher lead art activity which can also be used in other areas of your daily lesson and classroom activities. You can use them to count numbers, count syllables in words, glue different colored buttons on them, recreate a real flamenco dance, or allow the children to freely dance by using their own creative expressions.

Castanets may be the national instrument of Spain, but they were actually invented over 3000 years ago by the Phoenicians for religious ceremonies. Today castanets are commonly used and well known in Flamenco dancing. Flamenco dancing is the most famous Spanish traditional dance. Castanets are a percussion instrument of the clapper family. They consist of two hollowed-out pear-shaped pieces of hardwood, ivory, or other substance hinged together by a cord. Castanets are usually held in the hand and struck together. They are played in differently pitched pairs by dancers primarily in Spain, The Balearic Islands, and in Italy. Castanets are also called bones, clappers, and finger cymbals.

For more information, click on [Flamenco Dance Studio | Virtual Field Trip | KidVision Pre-K - YouTube](#) and [How to Make Kids Castanets - YouTube](#)



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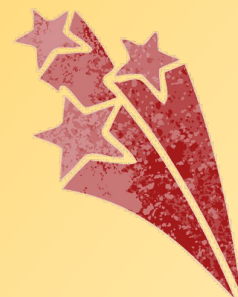
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 Officer of the Year: **Wendy Corso-Ruud**
 Advocate of the Year: **Lynn Gibson**
 Outstanding Teamwork: **Gertrude Freeman-Ford**
 Child in Heart Photo Contest Winner from the home of **Wendy Corso-Ruud**
 1st Parent Choice: **Patricia Williams** (Duval)
 2nd Parent Choice: **Neomi Thompson** (Hillsborough)
 3rd Parent Choice: **Annette Anderson** (Collier)
 Parent Choice Honorable Mention: Tonia Hammond, Lois Kendrick, Peggy La Fuente, Mary Morris
 Outstanding FFCCHA Chapter: **Heart to Heart Association** (Pinellas)
 Chapter Rep of the Year: **Michelle Pugh** (Pinellas)
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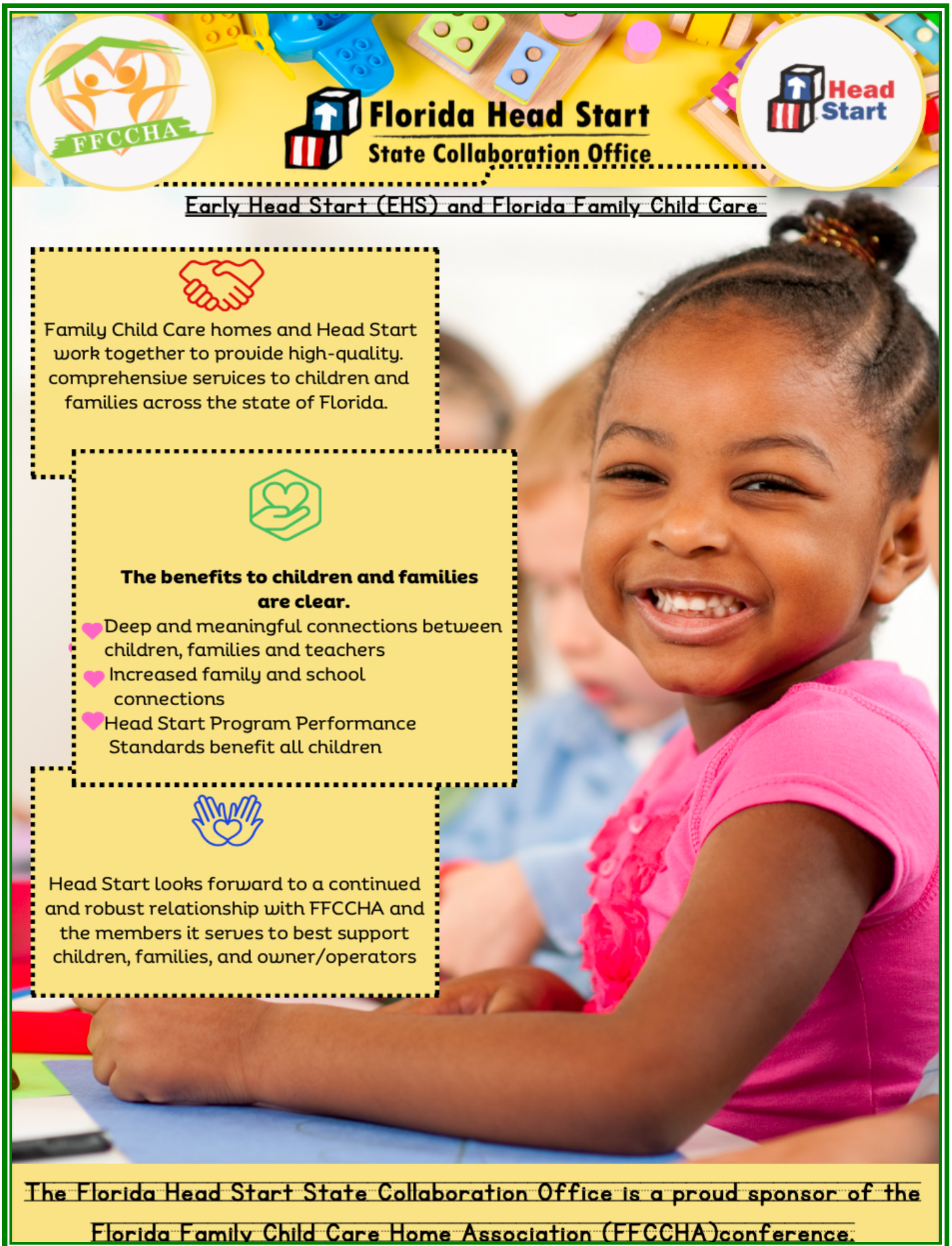
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