

Florida Family Child Care Home Association



33rd Annual Conference Enhancing Our Minds... in 2025



Pre Conference June 25-26 | Conference June 27-29

Pre-Conference Highlights

(additional fee required)

Wednesday, June 25

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

ME! M.E.N.T.O.R.ing Essentials (Part 1) by Lois Kendrick and Mayra Marquez

Passionate about guiding and empowering others? Join the first part of the 12-hour Florida peer M.E.N.T.O.R. Program! Become equipped to **Mentor, Educate, Nurture, Train, Observe and Role Model**. **Applicants must be accepted into the program prior to attending this class.** Contact Abbie Bill at 561-445-7333 or FLMentorpgm@aol.com for qualifications and an application. **Applications are due by May 1, 2025.**

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Family Child Care CEO: Changing & Defining Your Narrative by Jerletha McDonald

Join us and be empowered as family child care CEOs to control your narrative and amplify your voice in early childhood education. Learn strategies to highlight your contributions, challenge misconceptions, and advocate using effective storytelling, branding, and tools to reshape public perception and elevate the field of family child care.

Thursday, June 26

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Mentor I Certification (Part 2) by Lois Kendrick and Mayra Marquez

Author Study, Story Time, and Activities based on Mo Willems by Dawn Espinoza

Mo Willems is best known for his #1 New York Times bestselling picture books, which have been awarded three Caldecott Honors (*Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!*; *Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale and more*). Join us to read, share, and discover activities to implement in your own early learning environments.

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Strategies for Sensory, Behavioral, and Academic Success by Janis Nakagama

Caring for children with sensory, behavioral, physical, or academic challenges? This presentation is for you! Join us for valuable tools and strategies to positively impact their lives.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Creating a Responsive Classroom with Leo Leoni's Picture Books by Dawn Espinoza

Join us to explore how to create a responsive preschool classroom by integrating Leo Leoni's picture books into your morning circle experiences and daily lesson plans.

Keynotes & Special Guests



Jerletha McDonald
Renowned National
Family Child Care Leader



Dr. Kimberly Johnson
Children's Author,
Educator and
Faculty Member,
Clemson University



Eboni Delany
Assistant Director of
Narrative and Movement
Building, NAFCC



Courtney Smith
Director of Policy and
Programs, Office of
Licensing (DCF)



Marica Cox Mitchell
Vice President of Early
Childhood, Bainum
Family Foundation



Cari Miller
Chancellor for Early
Learning,
Department of Education

ANNUAL PROVIDER CELEBRATION



Come dressed in your best cocktail attire and mask for a night full of dancing, networking, and fun as we celebrate our family child care home providers!

(8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. children permitted)
(9:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. adults only)

Conference Hotel



Sheraton Sand Key Resort

1160 Gulf Blvd. Clearwater Beach, FL 33767

Room Rate (does not include tax or gratuity): **\$224** per room, per night (double, triple or quad occupancy). There are a limited number of rooms available at this rate.

For hotel reservations, call 727-595-1611.

Deadline is May 26, 2025

To book your room, use this link: [Book your 2025 Hotel Reservation NOW!](#)

Conference Highlights

Thursday, June 26

6:00 p.m. **Opening Ceremony**

6:30 p.m. **Registration & Exhibits Open**

8:00 p.m. **First-Timer Orientation**

Saturday, June 28

7:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. **Registration**

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. **General Session / Keynote: Jerletha McDonald**

"The Becoming of Family Child Care: Through Evolution, Elevation, and Innovation"

10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **Concurrent Workshops**

1:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. **Concilio Latino** - Expresen sus preocupaciones y compartan sus ideas

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Closing Session Keynote: Dr. Kimberly Johnson / Prizes & Evaluations**

"Educators and Advocates As Everyday C.O.A.C.H.E.S"

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. **Provider Celebration with DJ-D1**

Everyone is welcome to attend! Refreshments sponsored by Sheraton Sand Key Resort.

Sunday, June 29

8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. **Complimentary Breakfast / Annual General Meeting / Keynote: Eboni Delany / "We are Family Child Care" Documentary with Christina and Tarris Brown / Full Board Installation / Prizes**

Friday, June 27

7:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. **Registration**

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Concurrent Workshops**

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. **All Conference Luncheon / Awards / Keynote: Cari Miller, Courtney Smith, and Marica Cox Mitchell**

"Mind" Sponsors

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BECOME A SPONSOR TODAY!

Please contact us to make a positive difference for children by selecting one of our "Mind Enhancement" Sponsorship Levels:

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| • Curious Minds: \$250 | • Creative Minds: \$500 |
| • Caring Minds: \$1,000 | • Inquisitive Minds: \$1,500 |
| • Innovative Minds: \$2,500 | • Ultimate Minds: \$5,000 |

Call for [Exhibitors, Sponsors, Ads & Donations](#) or email info@familychildcare.org

We look forward to working together!



DJ-D1

Deshunn Cummings has 25 years of experience as a disc jockey and was voted Lee County's #1 most versatile DJ in 2021 and 2022. Be prepared for a night full of wonderful memories!

Upcoming Events

State Trainings and Full Board Meetings April 26, August 16, and November 2025. All members and guests are welcome. Training and meetings may be virtual or on location. Training Scholarships are available for FCC provider and co-provider members.

National Provider Appreciation Day May 9, 2025. For more information, visit www.providerappreciationday.org

NAFCC Annual Conference "Bigger, Better, Bolder: A New Legacy for FCC" July 31 - August 2, 2025. Dallas, Texas. For more information, visit <https://nafcc.org/conference/>

One Goal Summer Conference July 16-18, 2025. Tampa, FL. For more information, visit www.onegoalsummerconference.org

FLAEYC Annual Conference October 16-19, 2025. Orlando, FL. For more information, visit www.flaeyc.org

Continuing Education Units (CEU) are available for pre-conference training and workshops for an additional fee.

Please be considerate of trainings! Children under 16 years of age are NOT allowed in

Workshops, Keynotes, Friday Luncheon, and/or Sunday Annual Meeting.



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For hotel reservations, call 727-595-1611 or use this link [FFCCHA Group Rate Hotel Reservations](#) Deadline is May 26, 2025



Registration Form (Please print)

Name: _____ Primary Language: _____ Secondary Language: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

Is this your first FFCCHA conference? Yes No County: _____ FFCCHA Area #: _____

Family Child Care Provider (check all that apply) Registered Licensed Large Licensed VPK NAFCC Accredited NAFCC Observer
 EHS (Early Head Start) Director Credential College Degree CDA

Scholarships toward conference registration are available to Florida provider and co-provider members who volunteer.

Apply for Conference Volunteer Scholarship by April 30!

Pre-Conference Training - June 25-26, 2025

| Day | Time | Activity | Cost |
|--|------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| Wednesday, June 25, 2025 | 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> ME! Mentoring Essentials * Part 1 | \$210 |
| | 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Child Care CEO: Changing & Defining Your Own Narrative | \$215 |
| Thursday, June 26, 2025 | 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> ME! Mentoring Essentials * Part 2 | — |
| | 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> Author Study, Storytime & Activities based on Mo Willems Work | \$105 |
| | 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> Strategies for Sensory, Behavioral & Academic Success | \$145 |
| | 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> Creating a Responsive Classroom with Leo Leonni's Picture Books | \$105 |
| * To become a Certified Mentor, you must attend both sessions and submit a pre-qualifying application. | | | Pre-Conference Total |

Conference - June 27-29, 2025

| DESCRIPTION | FFCCHA Members | Non-Members | Purchase |
|--|--|-----------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Three Day Conference Registration (includes Thursday Night, Exhibit Hall, all day Friday with Luncheon, all day Saturday with DJ Night, and Sunday Keynote with Continental Breakfast) | \$225 | \$265 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hostess/Volunteer Scholarship Registration (must have submitted application by April 30) | \$70 | — | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NAFCC Individual Membership (Save \$5.00 through FFCCHA) | \$40 | \$45 | |
| FFCCHA Membership: <input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal | Type of Membership: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual FCC Provider (\$40) <input type="checkbox"/> Advocate (\$15) | | <input type="checkbox"/> Agency (\$55) <input type="checkbox"/> Parent (\$10) |
| Additional Friday Luncheon Guest Ticket (must be purchased by June 6, 2025) Guest Name(s): _____ | \$55 per person | \$55 per person | |
| Conference Total | | | |
| Total Due (Pre-Conference Total + Conference Total) | | | |

Credit card payment available on our website: www.familychildcare.org

No refunds - Make check payable to FFCCHA.

All onsite registrations will be an additional \$30. **Returned checks** are assessed a \$47 fee.

For registration questions, please call 386-689-3046 or email registration@familychildcare.org

Mail completed registration to: FFCCHA - 1859 Mango Tree Dr - Edgewater, FL 32141

DEADLINE: MAY 26, 2025 (after this date, you **must** register online)



**Florida Family Child Care
Home Association, Inc.**
9207 Edgemont Lane
Boca Raton, FL 33434



**2025 Conference
Registration &
Information
Enclosed**

www.familychildcare.org



Your child's photo could be
in the heart next year!
Visit our website for the
Parent Sponsor entry form!

**[https://familychildcare.org/product/
photo-contest](https://familychildcare.org/product/photo-contest)**

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