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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2008

3:00 PM – 7:00 PM REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK OPEN	<i>Foyer A-B</i>
3:00 PM – 6:45 PM ADVISORY BOARD MEETING AND DINNER	<i>Appalachian-Cumberland Rooms</i>
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM HOT TOPICS PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION Lynn Boyer and Linda Palenchar, West Virginia Department of Education – Response to Intervention	<i>Grand Ballroom Salons A-C</i>

THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2008

7:30 AM – 5:00 PM REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK OPEN							<i>Foyer A-B</i>
7:30 – 8:30 AM CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST							<i>Foyer A-B</i>
8:30 – 9:45 AM KEYNOTE ADDRESS							<i>Grand Ballroom Salons A-C</i>
Anne Nardi, Dean of the College of Human Resources and Education, West Virginia University – Welcome Rachel Tompkins, Rural School and Community Trust -- Contemporary Issues in Rural Education							
9:45 – 10:00 AM MORNING BREAK							
Time/ Session	<i>Appalachian</i>	<i>Cumberland</i>	<i>Kanawha</i>	<i>Blue Ridge</i>	<i>Capitol Board</i>	<i>Allegheny</i>	
10:00-10:50 Concurrent Sessions #1	Eric Landers Identifying Challenging Behaviors: A Review Of The Literature And Survey Of Teachers	Jim Teagarden Online Project Based Parental Involvement Practicum Experience for Preservice Teachers	Jan DeBerry Preston AEP: Success Comes After Hours	Todd Sundeen Written Expression Strategy Instruction For Rural High School Students With Learning Disabilities	Jim Gerl Deal or No Deal, An Update on Special Education Law	SILENT AUCTION	
11:00-11:50 Concurrent Sessions #2	Ann Richards Does Background Knowledge Equate with Success in Online Education Courses?	Pamela Gent Service-Learning: Building on the Strengths and Traditions of Rural Communities to Support inclusion and No Child Left Behind	Marion Madison Educators' Perceptions of Response to Intervention and Early Intervening Services: Effects, Relationships and Ideas for Improvement.	Nedra Atwell Retention of Teachers in Rural Kentucky	Allen Murray "I Can Read" - A Writing Program for At-risk Rural outh	SILENT AUCTION	
12:00 – 1:30 PM AWARDS LUNCHEON							<i>Grand Ballroom Salons A-C</i>
Tracy Justesen, U.S. Department of Education, OSERS – Perspectives from the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services							

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1:40 -2:30 Concurrent Sessions #3	Gus Hill Evaluation of Implementation of Response to Intervention in a Rural School District	Nancy Glomb Convert To Hybrid! A Website That Helps Faculty Take the Plunge	Naomi Tyler IRIS Online Materials: Providing Information and Research About Students with Disabilities	Katharin Keller Teacher-Designed, Student-Involved Assessments in Rural Schools	Elaine Lambert Comprehensive Examinations as a Tool for Program Assessment: Aligning Special Education Comprehensive Exams to CEC Common Core and Standards	SILENT AUCTION
2:40 -3:30 Concurrent Sessions #4	Ann Goldade Quilting with RTI- the Pieces that Really Count	Nedra Atwell The Tapestry of Online Education	Mary Susan Fishbaugh Leadership in Higher Education: The Good, the Bad and the Funny!	Melina Alexander Preparing Highly Qualified Teachers in Rural America: The Online Solution		SILENT
3:30 – 3:45 PM AFTERNOON BREAK				<i>Foyer A-B</i>		
3:40 - 4:30 Concurrent Sessions #5	Barbara Ludlow Impact of Federal Funding on the Supply of Special Educators for Rural Schools in WV.	Lee Ann Jung YouTube Meets BlackBoard: Using Popular Web-Based Technology In Rural Personnel Preparation	Lee Mason Applying Goal Markers to Decrease Variability in Reading Rate Assessment		Ann Berry Recruitment and Retention of Rural Special Educators: Issues, Strategies, and Research Needs	SILENT AUCTION
5:00 – 5:45 PM ACRES TOWN HALL MEETING				<i>Grand Ballroom Salons A-C</i>		
6:00 – 7:30 PM NEWCOMERS/OLDTIMERS RECEPTION Buffet and Cash Bar with Music by the Hillbilly Gypsies				<i>Grand Ballroom Salon D</i>		

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FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2008 PRACTITIONERS' DAY

7:30 AM – 5:00 PM REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK OPEN						<i>Foyer A-B</i>
7:30 – 8:30 AM RSEQ EDITORIAL BOARD WORKING BREAKFAST MEETING						<i>Capitol Board</i>
7:30 – 8:30 AM CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST						<i>Foyer A-B</i>
8:30 – 9:45 AM OPENING ADDRESS						<i>Grand Ballroom Salons A-C</i>
Gayle Manchin, First Lady of West Virginia - Welcome Steven Paine, West Virginia Department of Education -- Creating Schools for the 21 st Century						
9:45 – 10:00 AM MORNING BREAK						<i>Foyer A-B</i>
Time/ Session	<i>Appalachian and Cumberland</i>	<i>Kanawha</i>	<i>Blue Ridge</i>	<i>Salon E</i>	<i>Salon F</i>	<i>Allegheny</i>
10:00-10:50 Concurrent Sessions #6	Tara Jeffs East Carolina University 21 ST Century Learners: 21 st Century Skills ALL DAY WORKSHOP	Ursula Garrett Strategies for Increasing Learning Outcomes and Positive Interactions of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders in the General Education Setting	Sarah Rule Project PEER: Post Secondary Education for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities on a Rural College Campus	Dorothy Prestwich Concept Maps- Helping Kids Make the Connection	George Hill Are Small Rural Schools Accountable for SPED Programs under No Child Left Behind: A Follow- Up?	SILENT AUCTION
11:00-11:50 Concurrent Sessions #7		Effie Laman Functional Hearing Inventory Training	James Burton II Rural Faculty and Exceptional Collegiate Populations	Linda Hyatt Emotional Maturity: The Foundation for Success in Rural Special Education	Roy Thurston Brain Dysfunction and Plasticity	SILENT AUCTION
12:00 – 1:30 PM – AWARDS LUNCHEON						<i>Grand Ballroom Salons A-C</i>
Cheryl Wissick, University of South Carolina -- 21 st Century Skills for Students with Special Needs						
Time/ Session	<i>Appalachian and Cumberland</i>	<i>Kanawha</i>	<i>Blue Ridge</i>	<i>Salon E</i>	<i>Salon F</i>	<i>Allegheny</i>
1:40 -2:30 Concurrent Sessions #8	Tara Jeffs East Carolina University 21 ST Century Learners: 21 st Century Skills ALL DAY WORKSHOP	Sarah Jacobin Integrating Assistive Technology into Regular Education Settings: One State's Success	Meada Hall Helping Students with Disabilities Transition from High School to Employment:	Wilfred Wienke Preparing Rural Special Educators in ASD: Issues in Graduate Program Development and Implementation	Lynn O'Connell Traps, Triumphs, and Tiers: Lessons from RTI Implementation in Five Rural Schools	SILENT AUCTION

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2:40 -3:30 Concurrent Sessions #9	Tara Jeffs East Carolina University 21 ST Century Learners: 21 st Century Skills ALL DAY WORKSHOP		Rebecca Peters Recognizing And Addressing Depression In Students With Disabilities: Suggestions For Classroom Teachers In Rural Areas	Barbara Locker The New World of Para-Educator Professional Development	Jason Gibson Emerging Technologies for the Delivery of Technical Assistance to Rural Educators	SILENT AUCTION
3:40 – 4:30 Concurrent Sessions #10	Tara Jeffs East Carolina University 21 ST Century Learners: 21 st Century Skills ALL DAY WORKSHOP	Patricia Peterson Preparing Rural Inclusive Special Educators(PRISE): Grow Your Own Rural Culturally Responsive Special Education Teachers	Peggy Hovatter Building A Social Skills Club: A Pilot Project with "The Break Ins"	Erin Lash Providing Positive Behavior Support in Rural Settings	Jason Gibson Online Instruction: Innovative Options to Enhance Student Learning	SILENT AUCTION
4:30 – 5:30 PM – POSTER SESSION AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL BREAK						
<i>Grand Ballroom Salon D</i>						
<p>Kathryn Servilio, Passing the Rural Legacy in Teacher Education: A Mentoring Approach Morgan Chitiyo, Utilizing Evidence Based Practices in Rural Schools Cheryl Cummins and Leslie Griffin, Holding Teachers Accountable: Differentiating Instruction for Learners in Rural Settings Through Teacher Work Sample Methodology Karl Kosko, General Educators' Inservice Training and their Self-perceived Ability to Adapt Instruction for Special Needs Students</p>						
FRIDAY EVENING FREE TO EXPLORE CHARLESTON						

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SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2008

7:30 AM -- 11:00 AM REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK OPEN							Foyer A-B
7:30 – 8:30 AM CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST							Foyer A-B
Time/ Session	Appalachian	Cumberland	Kanawha	Blue Ridge	Salon E	Salon F	
8:00-8:50 Concurrent Sessions #11	James Burton II Parent Familiarity of Special Education Rights	Nancy Glomb Reducing Isolation through Regional Learning Communities: A Way to Support Rural Learners	Melinda Ault Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities and Their Families into Faith-based Communities	Harvey Rude Native American Innovative Leadership Project: Analysis and Applications	Vicki Hartley Inclusion: Reality or Illusion?	Mark Fugate Building the Capacity of Rural Schools to Implement Response to Intervention (Rtl)	
9:00-9:50 Concurrent Sessions #12	Melissa Reed Special Education and Legalese: Helping Parents Make Sense of Education Rules and Regulations	David Forbush Podcasting: A Method For Addressing Professional Development Needs In A Rural School District	Lindon Ratliff Emergency Special Education Teacher Certification in the Mississippi Delta: A Rural Region in Crisis	Brenda Wilson Factors Related to Paraprofessional Success in Career Ladder Program	Britt Ferguson The Changing Face of Higher ED: Implications for Teacher Prep in SPED	Michael Sullivan Piecing It Together -Recommendations of the WV Advisory Council for the Education of Exceptional Children	
10:00-10:50 Concurrent Sessions #13	Elaine Lambert What Do Parents and Teachers Want Us to Know about Working with Children with Special Needs?		Corry Larson Putting Theory into Practice: a Professional Development School/University Co-Teaching Project	John Picone Reconciliation Of Special Education And The School Wide Learning Environment	Dianne Thomas Inclusion in a Rural Mississippi Setting: What Worked for General Education Teachers, What Future Teachers Need to Know	Belva Collins Functional Skill and Core Content Instruction for Students with Severe Disabilities in Rural Schools	
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM CLOSING BRUNCH							Grand Ballroom Salon D
2009 Conference Preview							
12:00 – 1:00 PM ACRES ADVISORY BOARD MEETING							Capitol Board