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The Virginia Transition Forum 2009 Conference Registration and Call for Proposals

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THE VIRGINIA TRANSITION FORUM 2009

March 16-18

Norfolk Waterside Marriott

Norfolk, VA



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The Virginia Transition Forum Committee welcomes you to our 24th Forum!
This year's Forum will include presentations in the following twelve strand areas:

ASSESSMENT
CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION
DISABILITY SPECIFIC
EFFECTIVE PRACTICES FOR YOUTH IN TRANSITION
EMPLOYMENT
INDEPENDENT LIVING

INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES
LEGISLATIVE TRENDS
POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION
TECHNOLOGY
TRANSITION 101
YOUTH AND FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER RICHARD LAVOIE

Rick Lavoie has served as an administrator of residential programs for children with special needs since 1972. He holds three degrees in Special Education and has served as an adjunct professor or visiting lecturer at numerous universities including Syracuse, Harvard, Gallaudet, Manhattanville College, University of Alabama and Georgetown. His numerous national television appearances include CBS Morning Show, Good Morning America, ABC Evening News and Disney Channel Presents. Rick serves as a consultant on Learning Disabilities to several agencies and organizations including Public Broadcasting Service, New York Times, National Center for Learning Disabilities, Girl Scouts of America, Child Magazine and WETA. He is a member of the Professional Advisor Board of the Learning Disabilities Association. Rick has delivered his message to over 500,000 parents and professionals throughout North America. He has the distinction of having delivered Keynote Addresses for all three of the major special needs advocacy organizations in the United States (Learning Disabilities Association, Council for Exceptional Children, Children with Attention Deficit Disorder).

Luncheon Presentation March 17, 2009 - Youth Panel Presentation

This year's luncheon presentation will feature participants from the concurrent Self-Determination Youth Summit.

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CLOSING SPEAKER DR. JOANNE CASHMAN

Joanne Cashman, Ed.D. is the Director of the IDEA Partnership, an affiliation of 55 national organizations supporting the shared implementation of IDEA. Together, the IDEA Partnership organizations and some forward leading states are pioneering communities of practice in education. Dr. Cashman is also NASDSE's lead staff in the Center for Teacher Quality (CTQ) operated by the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO). In this role she supports state special education staff, teacher credentialing officials and representatives from institutions of higher education to redesign teacher preparation so that all teachers are enabled to serve all students. She came to NASDSE from The George Washington University where she managed the Interdisciplinary Doctoral Leadership Training Program and taught courses in Legal Issues and Service Coordination. For 27 years before coming to Washington, D.C., Joanne worked as a special education teacher, local director of special education, supervisor of dropout prevention and alternative education and building principal in the Shikellamy School District in Sunbury, PA.

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Who Should Attend?

Educators, rehabilitation practitioners, workforce development personnel, community stakeholders, including students, parents, employers, advocates and representatives from adult service agencies invested in the successful transition of youth with disabilities.

Schedule-at-a-Glance:

March 16	1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Keynote Speaker
	2:45 pm - 5:30 pm	Concurrent Sessions
	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	VACTE-SND/VADCDT
March 17	8:00 am - 12:15 pm	Concurrent Sessions
	12:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Lunch & Panel Presentation
	2:45 pm - 5:30 pm	Concurrent Sessions
	7:30 pm - 11:00 pm	Forum Social
March 18	8:00 am - 10:45 am	Concurrent Sessions
	11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Closing Session

CRC Credits

Available upon request at close of Forum.

Certificates of Attendance

Provided at the Registration Desk at the **END of each day, for that day only.**

Hospitality Activities:

Monday, March 16th, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

A Hospitality Room co-sponsored by Virginia Association for Career and Technical Education -Special Needs Division (VACTE-SND) and Virginia Division on Career Development and Transition (VADCDT)

Tuesday, March 17th, 7:30 - 11:00 p.m.

Join The Party!! The Transition Forum Social will feature live music by The Janitors - back by popular demand! Fabulous door prizes will be awarded and light refreshments will be available. Come and dance the night away!

WE CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO JOIN THE FUN!

Hotel Information:

The Norfolk Waterside Marriott is the site for **The Virginia Transition Forum 2009.**

Norfolk Waterside Marriott

235 East Main Street, Norfolk, VA

Phone: 757.627.4200

Website: www.marriott.com

Parking Fee: \$19.00 per day

Overflow Hotels:

Sheraton Norfolk Waterside

777 Waterside Drive, Norfolk, VA

Phone: 757.622.6664

Website: www.Sheraton.com/Norfolk

Parking fee: \$12.00 per day

Courtyard Marriott Norfolk Downtown

520 Plume Street, Norfolk, VA

Phone: 757.963.6000

Website: www.marriott.com

Parking Fee: \$15.00 per day

Shuttle Service Provided for All Hotels.

View the shuttle schedule in your Forum Program or online one week before the Forum.

