

“50 YEARS OF PARTNERSHIP”

31st Annual Head Start Parent Conference

December 6 - 11, 2014

New Orleans, LA



DEAR FRIENDS OF THE HEAD START COMMUNITY:

Creetings! The National Head Start Association is currently looking for volunteers for our upcoming 31stth Annual Head Start Parent Conference and Family Engagement Institutes – the premiere professional development and networking event for the Head Start community. The conference will take place at the Hilton Riverside in New Orleans, Louisiana, December 6 - 11, 2014. Head Start and Early Head Start family services staff, Policy Council leaders, educators, directors, and other early education professionals from across the nation will come together to participate in targeted training and education opportunities that focus on how communities, parents, families, and Head Start programs can best partner to promote both parent and family engagement and to optimize children’s learning and development.

Over its 50-year history, Head Start has become recognized as the most successful, longest-running national early childhood development and care program. The program provides comprehensive services – including education, health, social services, and family support – to economically disadvantaged children, ages birth to 5 years, and their families.

In our role as a private not-for-profit organization and the the voice for more than 1 million children, 200,000 staff and 1,600 Head Start grantees in the United States, NHSA is committed to the belief that every child, regardless of circumstances at birth, has the ability to succeed in life.

During the conference, NHSA looks for volunteers to assist with pre-conference preparation and educational sessions and other conference events. In return for more than two days of volunteer service, volunteers receive a complimentary conference registration, giving them access to educational workshops on a wide range of topics as well as other non-ticketed events and the exhibit show. Visit NHSA.org to learn more about NHSA and this important professional development event.

Once you’ve completed the volunteer application on the next page, please e-mail it to Nardos Abebe at nabebe@nhsa.org. Questions about volunteering can also be sent to Nardos at nabebe@nhsa.org. You will receive a confirmation of your volunteer service by e-mail.

We look forward to working with you and thank you for your interest in supporting the Head Start community and its mission.



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Volunteer Form

December 6 - 11, 2014

New Orleans, Louisiana

Name *(Required field)*

Professional Title/Occupation

Name of Employer/Educational Institution

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Daytime Phone # *(Required field)*

Ext.

Cell Phone # *(Required field)*

E-mail Address *(Required field)*

Do not regularly use or have access to e-mail.

Do you speak Spanish?

Yes No

How did you learn about this volunteer opportunity?

- Head Start Affiliate (e.g., local Head Start program, Louisiana Head Start Association)
- Sorority/Fraternity College/University
- Volunteers of America Parent Teacher Association
- Other: _____

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Please check all areas in which you would be willing to volunteer. You will be contacted before the conference regarding your areas of interest, availability, and volunteer assignments.

AREA OF INTEREST	VOLUNTEER AREA	EXAMPLE OF DUTIES
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bag Stuffing	Assist with the preparation of attendee conference bags
<input type="checkbox"/>	Office Support	Assist NHSA staff with a variety of task as needed, such as changing signs, sharing information with registration area, etc.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Monitoring Sessions	Monitor educational sessions, distribute handouts, collect evaluations, minor troubleshooting, etc.

PREFERRED DAYS OF SERVICE

- Saturday, December 6th Wednesday, December 10th
- Monday, December 8th Thursday, December 11th
- Tuesday, December 9th

PREFERRED METHOD OF CONTACT

- E-mail Phone Day Evening

CONFERENCE LOCATION: Hilton New Orleans Riverside, Two Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA, 70130

Please submit completed form to Nardos Abebe at nabebe@nhsa.org.

If you have any questions, contact Nardos Abebe by phone at (703) 962-7083 or e-mail nabebe@nhsa.org.

THANK YOU!