



Fact Sheet

Celebrating:

The 6th Annual FERIA Partnership Virtual Conference

Family/School/Community

Theme: *“Family Empowerment: Supporting Parents and Special Needs Children to Adults Through COVID-19 in collaboration with schools”*

Location, Date and Time: This year’s 6th Annual FERIA Partnership Conference will be delivered via a Zoom Video Conferencing Platform in conjunction with the Disability Rights Center of California, San Diego State University, Dual Language and English Learner Education Department, Exceptional Resource Center, TASK, State Council on Developmental Disabilities, South County SELPA, MIND Institute, UC Davis and local school districts in the South Bay San Diego area as well as 12 FERIA Partnership organizations/agencies. The 6th Annual FERIA Partnership Virtual Conference will Virtually, to be hosted by the Disability Rights California from 8:30 to AM to 11: 45 AM. A **downloadable registration flyer** is available on our FERIA Partnership Website: www.feriapartnership.org. **The Conference will be held in three sessions: Session I, Saturday, April 17, Session II, Saturday, May 8 and Session III, Saturday, May 15.**

FERIA Partnership Conference Outcomes: The conference will provide opportunities for educators, parents, and community leaders to learn strategies and tools for empowering all stakeholders to increase student achievement during COVID-19.

Conference Offerings: The top parental involvement transformational practitioners from around the state and local school districts will offer presentations demonstrating evidence-based research practices, strategies and applications that will result in increased parental involvement, high expectations and achievement for all students (Cradle to College). There will also be a series of workshops provided in Spanish and simultaneous translators in English (one English workshop per session).

Conference Fees: Parents and Educators \$50 • College/University Students \$10

Featured Speaker: Day I: *Lisa Borrego*, Director, Family Engagement, California Department of Education, Day II: *Clarisa Solis*, Psychologist, Family Specialist and *Dr. Margarita Machado-Casas*, Professor, Dual Language and English Learner Department Chair, San Diego State University. Focused Researcher on Family Engagement.

Targeted Audience: Designed for Spanish Speaking Latino **parents** with children with special needs and **educators** working with special education English Learners in a general and/or special education setting, instructional leaders as well as support staff.

University graduate students enrolled at the San Diego State University in DLE and Special Education classes and local Universities are invited to attend.

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