Dear Friends,

We know that without careful study, action, and reflection, history can and often does repeat itself. We stand at a historic and defining moment in time, where profound events are shaping a new movement. Make no mistake, the years of change in America advanced by the Civil Rights Movement that created unprecedented prosperity and opportunities for Black children and families are under threat. It was the Civil Rights Movement that gave birth to organizations like the National Black Child Development Institute, dedicated to improving the quality of life for Black children and families through education and advocacy. While the inequities that plagued us generations ago are now prohibited by law, today, we know there is a fight, not only to ensure those gains are not eradicated, but to build the true equity that is the foundation of “the dream” of all Black families. It should not be a surprise, then, that education has become one of America’s newest civil rights battlefields. Education was the forbidden answer, born on the heels of the Civil Rights Movement, for the oppression that dehumanized our ancestors long ago and it remains the primary pathway to a life defined by one’s own measure of success.

As we come together for this annual celebration of the 47th Annual Conference of the National Black Child Development Institute to honor the legacy of all who fought before us and the hard work you are doing today, we know that you stand ready to fan the flames of “The Movement: Reignited.” It is with the urgency of a burning fire that our children need us to do whatever it takes, for as long as it takes to help them actualize the brilliance they are endowed with. The torch has been passed. And our time to fight for our children, for our families, and for our communities, is now.

Thank you for continuing to stand with us in this fight and for joining us for what will be a galvanizing conference!

Sincerely,

Tobeka G. Green
President and CEO
National Black Child Development Institute

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## SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

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8:00 AM – 5:00 PM  Exhibit Hall
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM Workshop Block V
12:30 PM – 5:30 PM  NBCDI's Suspension and Expulsion Community of Practice (Invitation Only)
12:30 PM – 3:30 PM  Legacy Voices & An Intergenerational Conversation with the NBCDI Elders
1:30 PM – 3:30 PM  Workshop Block VI
3:45 PM – 5:45 PM  Workshop Block VII
3:45 PM – 5:45 PM  Becoming An NBCDI Affiliate
7:00 PM – 10:00 PM Night at the Museum (Ticketed Event)—Museum of Civil and Human Rights

Tuesday, October 3

6:30 AM - 7:30 AM  Morning Rejuvenation
8:00 AM - 11:30 AM  Registration
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  Exhibit Hall
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM Workshop Block VIII
10:15 AM - 12:15 PM Workshop Block IX
12:30 PM - 2:30 PM  Closing Luncheon

ABOUT NBCDI

For 47 years, the National Black Child Development Institute (NBCDI) has been committed to our mission to improve and advance the quality of life for Black children and families through education and advocacy. With our National Affiliate Network, we develop and deliver strengths-based, culturally relevant, evidence-based, and trauma informed curricula and programs that focus on health and wellness, family engagement, and literacy. We support increased access to effective education by providing professional development scholarships for early childhood educators. NBCDI, the National Affiliate Network, and our members advocate and inform education policies at the federal, state, and local levels to ensure standards, regulations, and resource allocations support equitable systems for Black children and families.

CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS (CEUS)

George Mason University will provide Continuing Education Units (CEUs) to NBCDI conference participants who apply. The fee is $30.00. Interested conference attendees should pick up a CEU form from the Conference Registration Desk and submit it to George Mason University, with payment, following the conference.
Family Empowerment Program (FEP): Facilitator Training

Saturday, September 30, 2017
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

NBCDI’s Family Empowerment Program (FEP) Facilitator Training will equip participants to implement culturally relevant, culturally responsive, and trauma-informed strategies with parents and caregivers through a strengths-based lens that responds to the unique strengths and needs of Black children and their families.

Developed by the National Black Child Development Institute (NBCDI), the Family Empowerment Program (FEP) builds the capacity of parents and caregivers as leaders and advocates of their families. Throughout this twelve-week program, families are equipped with the knowledge, tools, and skills needed to foster their children’s learning and development while effectively advocating for them from birth. The program was designed to guide and coach parents and caregivers through a strengths-based lens that honors rich cultural and linguistic strengths of families of color.

NBCDI’s first parenting program, the Parent Empowerment Program (PEP), was launched over two decades ago. NBCDI collaborated with experts in the field of family and community engagement to inform and enhance the newly revised Family Empowerment Program (FEP) to reflect feedback from families and current research on trauma-informed care and child development. This long-awaited program, the first of its kind, will be available to communities, agencies, and organizations this fall.

Join this exciting training opportunity to become a NBCDI Family Engagement Program Certified Trainer!

Delivering On the Promise Community of Practice

Monday, October 2, 2017
12:30 PM - 5:30 PM

NBCDI’s 47th Annual Conference will feature the first convening of the Delivering on the Promise Community of Practice—a learning community with researchers, program administrators, practitioners, and advocates who will develop innovative solutions to address the suspension and expulsion crisis in early childhood education (ECE). Funded by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, NBCDI’s Delivering on the Promise of High-Quality ECE Initiative is a national campaign to ensure that young Black children have access to high-quality ECE programs that are supportive and affirming. Enrollment in these programs does not equal access to high-quality early learning when Black children are disproportionately pushed out by a system that suspends and expels young Black children at alarming rates. As we commit to deliver on the promise of high-quality early learning for Black children, NBCDI will host an interactive, peer-learning session with a dedicated group of experts as we seek to eliminate suspension and expulsion in ECE and implement culturally-responsive pedagogy and positive discipline practices.

“Night at the Museum”

Monday, October 2, 2017
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Atlanta is an ideal city to both pay homage to the past and be inspired by our rich legacy as we confront the challenge of educational equity. NBCDI’s special Monday, “Night at the Museum,” will be held on Monday, October 2, 2017 at Atlanta’s Center for Civil and Human Rights. The theme for the evening is “My Black is Beautiful.” You don’t want to miss this celebration of Black brilliance and excellence.

The ticket price includes: Round trip transportation from the conference hotel, food and beverages, and a guided tour of this historic museum. Live music will also be performed by Atlanta’s own, Gritz & Jelly Butter.
Sunday, October 1
8:30 AM – 10:30 AM

Who Me? Identifying and Overcoming Implicit Bias in Classrooms and Therapeutic Spaces
Presenter(s): Dina Walker-DeVose, Assistant Professor, Georgia Southern University; Delton DeVose, Licensed Professional Counselor, Addiction Specialist, Department of Defense

Level the Playing Field and Watch Me Excel! Confronting Classroom Inequity
Presenter(s): Baruti Kafele, MA - Educational Leadership, National Education Consultant (former urban principal and teacher), Principal Kafele Consulting, LLC

But What About Language?! Linking Oral Language, Cultural Identity, and Literacy
Presenter(s): Megan-Brette Hamilton, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Assistant Professor and Communication Specialist, Auburn University

Engaging Families Through Nurturing Higher Order Thinking Skills with Young Children to Increase Academic Success
Presenter(s): Mary Sclafeni, Associate Professor, Eastern Kentucky University; Sehreana Domingue, Local Young Child Wellness Coordinator, Project LAUNCH; Tamika Carmouche, Early Childhood Consultant, Cooperative Learning, LLC

Family and School Partnerships: Engaging Diverse Families
Presenter(s): Darla Edwards, President / Educational Consultant, Successful Innovations; Stefanie Prokity, Vice President / Educational Consultant, Successful Innovations, Inc.

The Power of Grassroots Advocacy: How to Launch a Grassroots Campaign
Presenter(s): Nakisha Hobbs, M.Ed., Principal, Village Leadership Academy Chicago; M. Ekundayo Harris, Assistant Principal, Village Leadership Academy Chicago

Mirrors & Windows: Power of Positive Images in Classroom Libraries
Presenter(s): Teresa Kelley, Principal Consultant, KIDTASTIK Early Learning Resources

Sunday, October 1
10:45 AM – 12:45 PM

Taking the Fear Out of Disability: Engaging Children with Disabilities and their Families
Presenter(s): Brandy James Lockridge, MA, MS, DT-A, Developmental Therapist, Ball State University

What’s Your Idea for Solving the Problem? Involving Children in the Conflict Resolution Process
Presenter(s): Kenneth Sherman, Training Specialist, HighScope Educational Research Foundation

Advancing Academic Literacy
Presenter(s): Traci Dennis, Professor, American University

Hip Hop Theater: Transforming Classrooms & Communities Across Generations
Presenter(s): Melissa Princess Best-Nichols, Performance & Teaching Artist, Keynote Speaker & Facilitator, Programs Chair, Black Child Development Institute-DC Metro

Fatherring from Zero
Presenter(s): Lionel Lighthouse, Community Outreach Coordinator, TALCOLCY CENTER

Enlightening, Empowering, and Engaging Black Children Through Culturally Relevant Pedagogy
Presenter(s): Kevin Robinson, B.A, Executive Director, ANEW BAM

Pursuing Systemic Change to Advance Family Engagement
Presenter(s): Keami Harris, Director of Capacity Building Programs, National Association for Family, School, and Community Engagement

Supporting Early Childhood in South Africa
Presenter(s): Ashley Williams, MA, Senior Quality Analyst, San Francisco Office of Early Care and Education San; Lygia Stebbing, Director, EDvance San Francisco State University; Heather Daniels, MA, EDvance Programs Coordinator, EDvance San Francisco State University

Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Teaching Methods that Benefit Young African American Students Underserved in Literacy
Presenter(s): Angela Bruno, Teacher, EL and Math Early Intervention Program Teacher, Ventris Learning LLC; Robert Meyer, Ventris Learning LLC

Sunday, October 1
1:15 PM – 3:15 PM

Black Girls are Shining Stars! Looking Ahead and Becoming Successful Leaders and Learners!
Presenter(s): Gloria Kirkland Holmes, PhD, Associate Professor-Early Childhood Education, University of Northern Iowa- Shining Girls Project

Dame-Dame in Action: Creating an Experiential Model of Culturally Responsive Teaching
Presenter(s): Chatee Omsade Richardson, Professor, Spelman College

Classrooms Beyond Walls: Hitting the Streets for a Change
Presenter(s): Starletta Ret-Henry, MA Ed, Preschool Teacher, Flint Community Schools; Sharnese Magee, Teacher, University of Michigan-Flint

From Vision to Action: Developing Black Leadership to Support Early Childhood Systems Change
Presenter: Aisha Ray, Ph.D., Developmental Psychology, Professor Emerita of Child Development, Erikson Institute

Examining Stratification among the ECE Workforce: Strategies to Disrupt Inequities for Children, Families, and Educators
Presenter: Lea Austin, Ed.D., Specialist, Center for the Study of Child Care Employment

Building Strong Foundations in Your Childcare Organization: The 4P’s of Leadership
Presenter: Sylvia White, Childcare Consultant, Leading the Leaders, LLC

Kale Salad, Laundromats, and Obama: How Cultural Competency Creates Transformative Reading Experiences
Presenter: Alvin Irby, M.S., MPA, Founder & Chief Reading Inspirer, Barbershop Books (Reading Holiday Project, Inc.)

The Black Light Project: Challenging the Media Narratives of Black Males
Presenter: Tonya Lynch, Producer, JG Media Productions

Pursue It and Do It! Building Teams to Fulfill Dreams
Presenter: Kelissa Wing, Ed. S., Educator, Department of Defense Education Activity Fort Mitchell, TX

Sunday, October 1
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Brain Development is Community Development
Presenter: Daseta Gray, MA.Ed, Certified Infant Toddler Specialist, Sabree Education Services

Building Resilient Brains is as Easy as A-B-C, 1-2-3!
Presenter: Elise Groenewegen, Manager, Child Development Initiatives, Illinois Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics

Authentically Diverse Picture Books: Supporting Positive Identity Development and Increasing Reading Proficiency
Presenter: Aisha Ray, Ph.D., Developmental Psychology, Professor Emerita of Child Development, Erikson Institute

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WORKSHOP SESSIONS

Monday, October 2
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Afrocentric Early Childhood Education
Presenter: Bernida Thompson, Ed.D. Early & Middle Childhood, Principal, Roots Public Charter School

Deconstructing Hip Hop for African American Youth
Presenter: Kelvin Walston, M.A., Senior Health Educator, Wholistic Stress Control Institute

Empowering Strategies to Reduce Mass Incarceration
Presenter: William Flip Clay, National Consultant, Rhyming to Respect L.L.C.

Global Citizenship for African American Children
Presenter: Jahi Mackey, Program Director, The 821 Project

Family Engagement Outcomes & the Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS™) Tracking with ChildPlus Software
Presenter: Carolyn Heyliger-Graham, Account Executive, ChildPlus Software

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1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Health and Wellness: It’s More Than Just a Doctor’s Visit
Presenter(s): Hudelaine Deus, Contract Manager, The Children’s Trust; Theresa Johnson, Contract Manager, The Children’s Trust; Anjelis Adams, Community Engagement Liaison, The Children’s Trust; Donovan Lee-Sin, Neighborhood & Community Services Officer, The Children’s Trust

Health Equity and the Child Care Workforce
Presenter(s): Dionne Dobbins, PhD, Sr. Director of Research, Child Care Aware of America; Krista Scott, LCSW, Sr. Director of Child Care Health Policy, Child Care Aware of America

Do-It-Yourself Early Literacy: Implementing a “1000 Books Before Kindergarten” Program
Presenter: Sol Livingston, BA, Family Literacy Fellow, The Reading Connection

Building State and District Improvement Systems to Stimulate Academic Growth for Black Children
Presenter(s): Lynn Jennings, Interim Director of Field, The Education Trust Washington; Syritha Robinson, Field Associate, The Education Trust

Ancestors and Archives: Strategies to Personalize Education & Increase Engagement
Presenter: Dana Saxon, J.D., MSc, Founder and Executive Director, Ancestors unknown

Making the Law Work for Black Children: Every Student Succeeds Act
Presenter: Liz King, Director of Education Policy, The Leadership Conference Education Fund

Empowering Parents to Lead a Community Café
Presenter: Rosie Parke, Director of Communications & Community Services, East River Family Strengthening Collaborative, Inc.

Strengthening Black Early Childhood and Education Leadership in the Current Era
Presenter(s): Shanya Cook, M.Ed., Policy Analyst, New America; Lea Austin, Ed.D., Specialist, Center for the Study of Child Care Employment; Robin Harris, Ph.D., Managing Editor, The Education Trust

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Building Social-Emotional Skills Through Storybooks: Getting Beyond Happy, Sad, and Mad with Mental State Vocabulary
Presenter: Jessica Lazzara, Vice President of Education and Research, Jumpstart

CAU Horizons – A Five Year Case Study: Culturally Responsive Instruction That Improved Literacy
Presenter: James Young, Ed.D., Professor and Department Chair of Early Childhood Education, Clark Atlanta University

Developing a City-Wide Systems Plan Informed by the Voices of Children and Families
Presenter(s): Camarrah Morgan, Hope Starts Here Consultant, EarlyWorks, LLC; Nicole de Beaufort, Hope Starts Here Consultant, EarlyWorks, LLC; Christina Heximer, Associate Director, Collaborative Design Center Detroit Mercy School of Architecture; Dan Pitera, AIA, ACD, Executive Director, Collaborative Design Center Detroit Mercy School of Architecture

Culturally Responsive Teaching is for Everyone!
Presenter: Michele Turner, Master of Science, Michele Turner, MS, Next Level Consulting and Training

How Accreditation Can Drive Continuous Quality Improvement in Early Childhood Programs
Presenter: Monica Prince, Director, Quality Improvement and Program Support, NAECY

Increasing Access to Breakfast After the Bell so No Kid Starts the School Day Hungry
Presenter: Brie Doyle, PhD, Manager, Partner Engagement, Share Our Strength

Engaging Fathers in Early Literacy
Presenter(s): Kenneth Braswell, Executive Director, National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse; Patrick Patterson, Manager, National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse

The Reads Initiative: Organizational Collaboration with Proven Impact on Reading Scores and Community Engagement
Presenter(s): Kerri Osborne, MS, Vice President of Field Operations and Strategy, Jumpstart for Young Children-Reads Initiative NY; Yvette Russell, Program Director, Read Alliance AI Reynolds, Project Director for Neighborhood Initiatives, Literacy Inc; Kim Flores, PhD, CEO, Algorhythm

Starting Young: Meeting the Needs of Black Children in Preschool
Presenter: Bwewa Steen, Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education, Trinity Washington University
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**Building a New Legacy for Children in the Nation’s Capital**
Presenter(s): Rozita Green, Chief Strategy Officer, Bainum Family Foundation; Miriam Calderon, Senior Director of Early Learning, Bainum Family Foundation

**Black Children and Families Aren’t Whispering; But, Who’s Listening?**
Presenter: Debbie Hillman, President, Developing Human Resources Consultants

**Promoting STEM in Early Care Environments: Preparing Teachers for Tomorrow’s Promise**
Presenter(s): Charlease Kelly-Jackson, Associate Professor of Science Education, Kennesaw State University; Raynice Jean-Sigur, Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education, Kennesaw State University

**Positive Racial Identity Development in Early Education: The Importance of PRIDE for Black Children**
Presenter(s): Aisha White, Director, the PRIDE Project, University of Pittsburgh Office of Child Development; Medina Jackson, MSW, Director, PRIDE Strategic Partnerships and Engagement, University of Pittsburgh Office of Child Development

**Preparing ALL Children to be Successful Readers and Writers: A Leadership Perspective**
Presenter: Corinne Eisenhart, Early Learning and Leadership Consultant

**Movin’ on Up? Developing Quality Early Childhood Professional Without Whitening the Workforce**
Presenter(s): Tonya Bibbs, Assistant Faculty, Erikson Institute; Mary Quest, MA, Doctoral Student, Erikson Institute; Kate Conner, M.Ed, Erikson Institute

**Mama Bear: Using Parent Narratives to Improve Engagement with Young Children with Disabilities and their Families**
Presenter: El Brown, M.Ed., Founder and CEO, KinderJam, LLC

**African-American Youth Dually Involved in the Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice Systems**
Presenter: Sherry Simmons-Horton, LMSW, Social Worker/Doctoral Student, Integrated Visions for Adoption & Family Services

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**Mental Health Consultation: Promoting Social, Emotional & Behavioral Wellness**
Presenter: Angelina Norton, Licensed Psychologist, Behavioral and Educational Solutions

**Paths for Success: Supporting Diversity in the Early Childhood Workforce through Higher Education**
Presenter(s): Lygia Stebbing, Director, EDvance San Francisco State University; Heather Daniels, MA, Programs Coordinator, EDvance San Francisco State University; Ashley Williams, MA, Senior Quality Analyst, San Francisco Office of Early Care and Education

**Professionalization Can’t Mean Whitening: A Critical Race Analysis of Early Care and Education Workforce Policy**
Presenter: Megan Madison, M.S.Ed., M.A., Doctoral Candidate, Brandeis University

**Pre-Service Teachers, Social Class, and Race in Urban Schools: Experiences and Strategies for Teacher Preparation**
Presenter: Andrea Lewis, Assistant Professor and Chair, Spelman College

**Effective Child Development Teaching Strategies with Teacher Candidates and the Impact on Teacher Preparation Programs**
Presenter(s): Raynice Jean-Sigur, Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education, Kennesaw State University; Monique Johnson, Lecturer, Kennesaw State University

**Working with Fathers: Resources and Tips from the National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse**
Presenter(s): Kenneth Braswell, Executive Director, National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse; Patrick Patterson, Manager, National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse

Presenter(s): Deborah Green, MSW, MAC, CDVC-III, CCJS, President, Black Child Development Institute-Houston, and Advocacy, Consultation, Training Innovations & Opportunities Network (ACTION)

**Thinking Outside the Box: Successfully Engaging African American Readers with Letterbox Lesson Interventions**
Presenter(s): Cheron Davis, Ph.D., Director of Student Teaching & Assistant Professor, Florida A&M University; Leah Moore, Florida A&M University; Lashae King, Teacher

**Engaging Communities of Color in Education Policy and Practice**
Presenter: Liz King, Director of Education Policy, The Leadership Conference Education Fund

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**WHAT’S HAPPENING IN ATLANTA?**

**TOP 10 BLACK OWNED RESTAURANTS**
1. Sweet Auburn Seafood
2. Savoy Bar and Grill
3. Le Petit Marche
4. Chef Rob’s Caribbean Café & Upscale Lounge
5. Desta Ethiopian Kitchen
6. Sweet Georgia’s Juke Joint
7. Negril Village
8. Do Restaurant
9. The Corner Grill
10. BQE Restaurant & Lounge

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**EVENTS AROUND/THROUGHOUT ATLANTA**

**Weeks of 9/24/17 and 10/1/17**

**September 24**
- John Coltrane Birthday Concert is an annual tribute to the early American jazz saxophonist and composer at the Velvet Note in Alpharetta.

**September 30**
- Georgia Blues & Roots Festival features a dozen artists at Mable House Barnes Amphitheatre in Mableton.
- Sweet Auburn Music Festival is a free family friendly event featuring live music, food, and national artists.

**October 4**
- Atlanta Black Theatre Festival delivers 40 plays in four days, including single acts, solos, youth theater, and full-length plays mostly at 3181 Rainbow Drive in Decatur. The Children’s PlayFest is Sept. 30.

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Hotel Information

The 47th Annual Conference will be held at the Omni Atlanta Hotel at CNN Center in Atlanta, Georgia. Make your reservations early and save!

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

Transportation

AIRLINE TRANSPORTATION

Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) is the closest airport to the Omni Atlanta Hotel at CNN Center.

Delta Airlines is the official air travel partner for the NBCDI 47th Annual Conference. Reservations and ticketing are available via www.delta.com/meeting.

When booking online, select Book a Trip. Click on Advanced Search and enter meeting discount code NMQJU in the box provided on the Search Flights page. Reservations may also be made by calling Delta’s Meeting reservations line at 1-800-328-1111. The reservations line is available Monday - Friday, 7 am-7 pm CDT. There is an additional $25 direct booking fee.

TRANSPORTATION TO HOTEL

The Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport is approximately 12 miles from the hotel.

• Taxi Service: Approximately $30 + per way
• Limo Service: Approximately $90 – $110 plus tax per way
• Sedan Service: Approximately $70 – $75 plus taxes and gratuities

• MARTA: Approximately $2.75 each way. Take the train north to the Five Points Station. Take the westbound train 1 stop to CNN/GWCC Station. Take the escalator or elevator up and walk through the CNN building to hotel entrance.

SHARED RIDE SHUTTLE PROCEDURES AT ATLANTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Shared-Ride Van Service provides transportation services to and from the Atlanta central business district: Downtown, Midtown and Buckhead. Shuttles leave every 15 minutes from the Airport from stalls 3 through 10.

Fares: (Maximum trip fee)

• Downtown: $16.50/person
• Midtown: $18.50/person
• Buckhead: $30/person

Shared-Ride Shuttle Providers

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Local Shared-Ride Shuttles run approximately 15 minutes in between trips and provide service to cities in Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Fulton, and Gwinnett counties. Most shared-ride shuttles pick up on the Green Bus Aisle, which is outside in the Ground Transportation area between the Domestic North and Domestic South Terminals. Contact the company directly to ask questions or make reservations.

STANDARD ROOM RATES

$169 / $169 (Single/Double)

Check-in is at 3:00 pm, and check-out is at 12:00 pm.

Listed rates below do not include room tax and service charges. Any guaranteed reservation not cancelled 72 hours prior to arrival will be subject to a cancellation fee of one night room, tax and applicable state fees. Reservations that fail to arrive on the scheduled arrival date will be considered No-Shows and a charge of one night room, tax and applicable state fees will be posted to the credit card on file. When making a reservation, be sure to obtain a confirmation number. The hotel will also send confirmation if an email address is provided. Call the hotel directly to make changes to or cancel your reservation. The listed rates below do not include room tax and service charges.

Call NBCDI at 202.833.2220 if you have any further questions or need assistance with the registration process.

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Atlanta, GA 30303
404-659-0000

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2017 REGISTRATION FORM

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Last Name __________________________ First Name __________________________
(Only one registration form per conferee will be accepted.)

Title ____________________ Organization __________________________

Address __________________________

City/State/Zip __________________________

Office Phone __________________________ Cell Phone __________________________

Fax __________________________ E-mail (Required) __________________________

___ Option 1

Early (7/10/17) Advance (8/10/17) Onsite

NBCDI Member

$250 $325 $375

Non-Member

$325 $400 $450

Student Member

$175 $250 $300

Student Non-Member

$225 $300 $350

Multiple (5 or More) Registration Discount, Subtract 3% Here

OPTION 1 TOTAL $ ______________

* Welcome Reception and Tuesday Closing Luncheon are included in this option.

___ Option 2

Early (7/10/17) Advance (8/10/17) Onsite

Workshops Only Registration

(This option does not include any ticketed events.)

$200 $275 $325

OPTION 2 TOTAL $ ______________

___ Option 3

Single Day

Saturday, 9/30/17 $150
Sunday, 10/1/17 $150
Monday, 10/2/17 $110
Tuesday, 10/3/17 $100

OPTION 3 TOTAL $ ______________

TRAINING SEMINARS

Promoting Healthy Practices in Early Childhood:
Good for Me! Facilitator Training
Saturday, September 30 | 10 AM – 12 PM

$150 (30 Participant Limit) $ ______________

Family Empowerment Program:
Facilitator Training
Saturday, September 30 (Full Day)

$2,500 (20 Participant Limit) $ ______________

SPECIAL EVENTS**

Sunday Jazz Awards Brunch
# of Tickets ________ x $65 $ ______________

Monday Night at the Museum
Theme: “My Black Is Beautiful”
# of Tickets ________ x $75 $ ______________

Tuesday Closing Luncheon
# of Tickets ________ x $75 $ ______________

Tuesday Closing Luncheon (Children 12 & Under)
# of Tickets ________ x $50 $ ______________

NBCDI MEMBERSHIP – JOIN NOW!

Individual

Student $25 (Student ID Required) $ ______________

Regular $40 $ ______________

Organization

Non-Profit $250 $ ______________

Corporation $500 $ ______________

GRAND TOTAL $ ______________

** Ticketed event prices are subject to change.
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