

# Let's Create a Colorful Tomorrow for Children

JUNE 14 - JUNE 16, 2017

SPRINGHILL Suites @ The Wharf

ORANGE BEACH, ALABAMA



Alabama Association of Early Care and Education

# FRIENDS BRING **COLOR** INTO OUR LIVES.

## Featured Presenters & Special Guests



**Dr. Kimberly P. Johnson**, Children's author and educator, grew up in Shelby, NC. She is married to Jeff Johnson who retired from the United States Air Force after 22 years. She is the author of 18 children's books. Kimberly received her Doctorate in Curriculum, Teaching, and Leadership from Northeastern University in Boston, Ma. and also holds a Master's Degree from Clemson University, in Youth Development and Leadership. Kimberly has an Early Childhood Education Degree and a Communications Degree from UNC Chapel Hill. She is currently doing post-doctorate work in the Advanced Leadership Program at Harvard University's Graduate School of Education. Kimberly is a creative author and has a passion for teaching others. She is currently teaching Creative Activities for Youth at Clemson University and teaching Creative Writing for Social Change at Clinton College. Above all of her accomplishments she says that the greatest joy is knowing that her grandparents were introduced to the Head Start program. She is proud that her grandparents raised her to believe in God and in self!

**Dr. Calvin E. Moore, Jr.** holds a BS degree in early childhood education from the University of Alabama at Birmingham, a MS in Education degree and a PhD in Early Childhood Education from Walden University. A long-time friend of **AALECE** and advocate for children and families, Dr. Moore has recently released his newest publication, "Givers and Takers: Understanding Complex Relationship Dynamics". He'll join us on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 to discuss how complex relationship dynamics and our self-esteem affect our everyday interactions with children, coworkers, and parents.



**Jennifer Daniels** works for Eric Litwin (the author of the original Pete the Cat books), and for his music and movement curriculum, The Learning Groove. She has recorded 6 CDs of original songs for adults, and 1 kids' album containing her popular musical game of "Simon Says." Her new week-long school project is getting attention from many different countries. It's called "Songwriting IS Writing: The Write to Record for Literacy Project", in which she and husband, Jeff Neal, take the kids from writing to performing and recording a fully produced album. Jennifer lives in Lookout Mountain, Georgia (a suburb of Chattanooga, Tennessee), with her road hound, Bob Marley, two guinea pigs, a plethora of goldfish, two 8 year old humans, and a guitar hero of a husband.





**Myra Holt** is no stranger to our conference! A long-time member of **AALECE**, Myra was employed with Childcare Resource Network in Fort Payne, Alabama for many years. In that time, she worked with the child care subsidy program, served as Program Director and associate trainer. In recent years, Myra made a career move to Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education as an Office of School Readiness monitor. Since 2014, she has filled the position of Regional Director of East Alabama, with Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education. Her most important & rewarding role to date is that of mother of two, grandmother of three.

**Jonathan Dills** is the Regional Manager & Director of Sales Support for Lakeshore Learning Materials. Jonathan has been attending **AALECE** conferences as both a presenter and a vendor for many years. His work with early childhood programs throughout the country puts him in a unique position to have a wealth of knowledge when it comes to early childhood learning materials. It also makes him the perfect guest to facilitate our door prize give-aways on Friday!



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- ☀ Industry news and state-wide initiatives
- ☀ Alabama's beautiful coast on the Gulf of Mexico in Orange Beach, AL



# dare to think OUTSIDE OF THE BOX & **color** OUTSIDE OF THE LINES.

Training Sessions



Wednesday, June 14th

**12:00pm - Registration Opens**

**1:00pm - 2:30pm - The Science of Early Childhood & Brain Architecture** (Myra Holt) - In this informative session, participants will explore scientific research about the human brain through a tabletop board game experience. This experience was designed by Center on the Developing Child at Harvard University to engage policymakers, community and business leaders, health and education service providers, and government officials in understanding the science of early brain development-what promotes it, what derails it, and what are the consequences for society.

**3:00pm - 5:00pm - Understanding Complex Relationship Dynamics** (Dr. Calvin E. Moore, Jr.) - In this training session, Dr. Moore explores the dynamic complexities in relationships. Reiterating the impact that early relationships and experiences have in our lives, we will discuss how we can overcome relationship challenges in our quest to develop strong lasting connections with others in our lives.



Thursday, June 15th

**8:30am - Registration Opens**

**9:00am - 12:00pm - Educators: Every Day C.O.A.C.H.E.S** - (Dr. Kimberly Johnson) - Educators, have you ever felt like throwing in the towel and saying, "That's it - I'm done"? Well, Children's Author and Motivational Speaker, Dr. Kimberly P. Johnson will take that thought right out of your mind!! She will have you on your feet and celebrating your profession. It starts with knowing that you are more than change agents, you are also coaches who must share productive plans and strengthen each other. By understanding the various students and families that you work with you can begin to revamp the critical aspects of what it takes to lead others. In addition, Kimberly will share techniques on how to use poetry and rhythm to create interesting settings and bright language. Cognitive and emotional perspectives can also help children learn to express themselves more effectively. YES... it is a lot of work, but by using active listening, creative ideas and a degree of motivation, you can put into place a team that can build more effective and trusting environments.

12:00pm - 2:00pm - LUNCH!

2:00pm - 5:00pm - **Educators: Every Day C.O.A.C.H.E.S Pt.2** - A continuation of the morning session Dr. Kimberly Johnson. This interactive workshop session will help educators examine the value and benefits of supporting each other and creating a stronger program setting. Through a positive communication style, staff members will engage families and develop a more culturally balanced approach within their educational community. Learning to work together can build an awesome team where everyone can thrive! You're guaranteed to leave laughing, inspired and feeling the "passion" for education!!



Friday, June 16th

8:00am - Registration Opens

8:30am - 12:30pm - **Stories, Songs and Organized Movement** (Jennifer Daniels) - In this fun, interactive concert setting, Jennifer will lead us in songs and stories of her own, and others by Eric Litwin and The Learning Groove. We'll discover what makes this material, and all material, engaging and memorable for children, so that participants can immediately employ the same techniques in their own classrooms. No musical expertise is necessary. Just come willing to actively participate. Everyone will leave with free access to hundreds of online songs, stories, and activities from The Learning Groove.

\* There will be a scheduled break in this session from 10:00am - 11:00am. A light meal will be provided and door prizes will be given during this time. You need to stay for the entire 4 hour period to get training credit and CEUs for this session.



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\_\_\_\_\_ ADVOCATE; OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

*~ Registration Information ~* Wed., June 14, 2017 - Fri., June 16, 2017

*Fees:* \_\_\_\_\_ ALL 3 DAYS - \$125; \_\_\_\_\_ WED. ONLY - \$60; \_\_\_\_\_ THUR. ONLY - \$80; \_\_\_\_\_ FRI. ONLY - \$60

*\*Fees include lunch on Thursday & breakfast on Friday.  
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