Arizona's 2022 IDEA Conference

Youth, Young Adults, and Families Scholarship

September7-9, 2022

Who can attend?

Typically, 800 people attend the conference. Most participants are educators, state agency staff, service providers, and community members who share a commitment to exceptional special education for students of all ages and the successful transition of students to adult life.

In partnership with the Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs, limited scholarship opportunities are available for:

- Youths/young adults aged 14 through 26 with a documented disability
- Family members of a student with an IEP or 504 plan
- Personal assistants who attend with a student or family member

Parents often ask if the conference is suitable for their child. The conference sessions are education and classroom environments. The sessions run for 75 minutes. Students are inspired by special guest presentations and workshops focused on youth transition requirements and best practices. Most students attend sessions without supervision. Some students attend sessions with a parent or mentor.

What is the IDEA Conference?

The in-person conference will feature over 75 professional, youth, young adult, and family learning opportunities addressing IDEA legal issues, instructional practices, national trends and hot topics, special education compliance, preschool and secondary transition, and social/emotional learning.

What is the schedule?

Wednesday

7:30 a.m. Breakfast and Registration 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Sessions (Lunch 12:15-1:15)

Thursday

7:30 a.m. Breakfast 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Sessions (Lunch 12:15-1:15)

Friday

7:30 a.m. Breakfast 8:00 a.m.–12:15 p.m. Sessions 12:15 p.m. Grab and Go Lunch Meals listed will be provided

Note: Program and targeted events for youth and families will be posted prior to start of conference.

Comments from past participants:

- -We could have never accessed all the resources you provided had we not attended.
- I learned how to better prepare my child for employment.
- I think all the training we got was good. I think we are going to need it someday. (student comment)

How do I apply for FREE registration? Fill out the application by June 30, 2022 https://bit.ly/IDEA22-Scholarship



Information:

Location: JW Marriott Desert Ridge in Phoenix Email: IDEAConference@azed.gov Visit us: www.azed.gov/ideaconference

Join us for the Youth Event September 7 from 4:15–7 p.m. Snacks will be provided

