

Race to Reform

Understanding the New Grants Era

Join Florida's leading grant professionals, Florida Department of Education officials, and key school district decision-makers from all over the state to consider:

- ❖ *The Gates Foundation Grant in Hillsborough*
- ❖ *Race to the Top (RTTT)*
- ❖ *ESEA Reauthorization and Federal Funding Outlook*
- ❖ *Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF)*
- ❖ *Using Technology to Improve Grants Management*
- ❖ *Florida Department of Education Outlook*
- ❖ *Florida Legislative Session Preview*

THE FGDN WINTER CONFERENCE

HILTON TAMPA AIRPORT WESTSHORE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2011

8:00 A.M.—4:30 P.M.



FLORIDA
GRANT DEVELOPERS
NETWORK K-12





Winter Conference Agenda

Hilton Tampa Airport Westshore

February 11, 2011

7:30 **Registration & Check-In**

8:30 **Welcome & Introductions**

8:45 IMPLEMENTATION REPORT:
Empowering Effective Teachers
funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

- *District & Union Perspectives*
- *Communication About Reform*
- *Implications for RACE TO THE TOP*

Hillsborough's EET Grant Team

10:30 **Break**

10:45 EXECUTIVE UPDATE:
The Governor's New Education Reform Agenda

MaryEllen Elia, Superintendent
Hillsborough County Public Schools

11:00 IMPLEMENTATION REPORT:
Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF)
Funded by the U.S. Department of Education

- *Integrating TIF with RACE TO THE TOP*
- *Lessons from the Last Competition*

Chris Russell
Teacher Incentive Fund Project Director
Hillsborough County Public Schools

Merewyn E. Lyons, Ed.D.
Executive Director, *Race to the Top*
Orange County Public Schools

Jeannie Floyd, GPC
Senior Manager, Grant Services
Orange County Public Schools

12:00 **Lunch** (Provided)

12:45 **Business Meeting**

1:00 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE:
Grants Management Training Using Blackboard Technology

Marcia Ford, GPC
Grants Director
School District of Polk County

2:00 **Break**

2:15 EXECUTIVE UPDATE:
Colloquium with Florida Department of Education Leaders

- Programs, Priorities, & Issues
- State Perspective on *Race to the Top*
- State and Federal Outlook
- Inside Grants Management
- Recommendations for Districts

Martha Asbury, GPC*
Director, Administrative Services
Florida Department of Education

Sue Wilkinson*
Director, Grants Management
Florida Department of Education

3:45 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE:
On The Race to Reform

- Session wrap-up
- Save the date

J.F. "Jeff" McCullers, Ed.D.
Director, Grants & Program Development
School District of Lee County

* *Invited speakers. Agenda subject to change.*



WINTER CONFERENCE ~ FEBRUARY 11, 2011 ~ TAMPA, FLORIDA *Conference Registration & Membership Form*

Participant/Member Information	
Name:	Title/Position:
School District:	E-Mail Address:
Mailing Address:	
City:	ZIP Code:
Office Phone:	Other Phone:

Fee Selection (Choose <u>one</u> option only.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Discounted registration for current FGDN members.	\$95
<input type="checkbox"/> Full-price registration only for non-members of FGDN.	\$110
<input type="checkbox"/> Special offer! Become a 2010-11 FGDN member now to get the discounted conference rate immediately. Special offer price includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FGDN membership (\$35 annually) through June 30, 2011; • Full access to the FGDN ListServe; and • Discounted registration for the FGDN Winter Conference. 	\$130

NOTE: Participants who are officers or directors of FGDN are required to attend an additional business meeting from 12:00 noon until 5:00 P.M. at the conference hotel on February 10, 2011. Lunch will be provided for those required participants. All other FGDN members are welcome but not required to attend this business meeting.

PAYMENT: Make checks or purchase order payable to Florida Grant Developers Network K-12. Checks may accompany registration or may be submitted on-site at time of sign-in. Receipts will be sent when payment is made.

PAYPAL: If you are interested in using PayPal you will need to visit PayPal.com and set up a free account or use your existing account. Once your account is established and verified you can click on the "Send Money" link on the home page of the PayPal Web site. Select the option to "Send Money Online" then fill in the amount, click the "Buying Something" option and follow the steps. Be sure to use ward.rob@brevardschools.org as the e-mail address for FGDN.

SUBMITTAL: Mail payment and this completed form to Robin Ward at Brevard Public Schools, 2700 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Viera, Florida 32940-6699 by January 24th, 2011.

HOTEL: Make reservations at the [Hilton Tampa Airport Westshore](#) at (800) 445-8667 on or before January 25, 2011 to secure guaranteed conference rates of \$109 per night, with \$10 for each additional guest in the same room. Request group rate code FGDN02 for the Florida Grant Developers event rate at time of reservation. Rooms include wireless Internet service and parking.

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.**

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	Name (as shown on your income tax return) Florida Grant Developers Network K-12	
	Business name, if different from above	
	Check appropriate box: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/Sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (D=disregarded entity, C=corporation, P=partnership) ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt payee <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ Non Profit	
	Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) 5277 Indigo Crossing Dr.	Requester's name and address (optional) Robin Ward 5277 Indigo Crossing Dr. Viera, FL 32955
	City, state, and ZIP code Viera, FL 32955	List account number(s) here (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Social security number
or
Employer identification number
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Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the Certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶ 10/6/10
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.

The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the following cases:

- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity,