

California Head Start Association

SEPTEMBER 2008 UPDATE



Achieving Excellence in All We Do

2009 Conference

January 26 - 30, 2009
San Diego, CA



CHSA is pleased to
announce our 2009
Conference Keynote

Kevin Clash

Master Puppeteer and Author of
*My Life as a Furry Red Monster:
What Being Elmo Has Taught
Me About Life,
Love and Laughing Out Loud*

CDPI Fall Forum

October 20 & 21, 2008 -
Sacramento Grand Hotel. A
yearly, high-level policy
event that focuses on a
current issue that will
impact the early education
field. Past speakers include
senators, assembly
members, representatives
from the Governor's office,
and state department staff.

Go to: www.cdpi.net

Reception & Lady Bird Johnson Award for Representative George Miller

September 24, 5:30, 2106 Rayburn House Office
Building (RHOB) Washington, DC.

We are pleased to invite you to join with the National
Head Start Association, Region IX Head Start
Association and ourselves to honor a great leader for
America's children and families - Honorable George
Miller, D-California.



This reception will be held in conjunction with NHSA's Leadership Institute,
September 22-26, 2008. If you are not registered to attend the Institute,
but plan to attend the LBJ Award and Reception please RSVP directly to
CHSA at 916-444-7760.

Thanks to our sponsors for supporting this event to honor Rep. George
Miller and all our Congressional leaders:

- National Head Start Association
- National Migrant & Seasonal Head Start Association
- Pre-K Now
- Region IX Head Start Association
- Ohio Head Start Association
- Massachusetts Head Start Association
- Washington State Assn. of Head Start & ECEAP/Washington State Training Consortium
- West Virginia Head Start Association
- Minnesota Head Start Association
- Arizona Head Start Association
- California Head Start Association
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Sponsor list as of 9/10/08

For more information on sponsorship call CHSA 916-444-7760



California Head Start State Collaboration Office Transition - Effective September 1, 2008

Mike Zito, Ca Dept of Education/Child Development
Division, Consultant and lead for the State Collaboration
Office has been promoted to Northern Field Services
Manager. Mike has been an effective partner with CHSA
for the past 8 years. We wish Mike the very best in his new
assignment.

Announcing...

CHSA Board Officers

2008-2010

The California Head Start Association held its board officers election this past summer. We are pleased to introduce our leadership team for the next two years.

President

Kay Wernert Community Action Marin/Marin Head Start

Vice President

William Castellanos
EOC of San Luis Obispo

Secretary

Pamm Shaw Berkeley Albany YMCA Head Start

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Past President

Lucía I. Palacios, MSW
Orange County Head Start, Inc.

Board Member At-Large

Maria Fort

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<http://ca.lwv.org/lwvc/aboutlwvc/ldir.html>

NOVEMBER ELECTION

What the candidates for President are saying about early childhood education:

Go to: caheadstart.org and follow the links

John McCain's Plan
Barack Obama's Plan

NHSA Leadership Institute & Hill Visits

September 22-26, Double Tree, Crystal City, VA: Join a coalition of Head Start leaders from all over the country to hear the latest information on regulatory developments, federal appropriations, federal Pre-K, No Child Left Behind reauthorization and other related public policy matters.

This is an excellent training opportunity for senior staff, governing and policy council leadership as well as all those who advocate for the interest of young children and their families. If your organization is planning to send attendees to this institute please email us at: christinah@caheadstart.org so that we may include them in our scheduled Capitol Hill visits with California Congressional members.

Agenda and registration form is available at:
<http://caheadstart.org/2008NHSAInstituteVisits.pdf>



CHSA & Child Care Results Partnership

Learn more about Child Care Results:
<http://childcareresults.com/index.htm>

Join CHSA and Child Care Results in producing the first Head Start Child Outcomes report based on the actual DRDP-R child assessment data.

Participating Head Starts will receive a 10% discount on the Child Care Results "Desired Results Made Easy" solution and will automatically be included in the state-wide report.

Why? A state-wide report will help CHSA demonstrate the effectiveness of Head Start programs and provide the information necessary to support advocacy efforts on behalf of Head Start children and families.

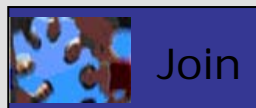
"We are pleased to partner with CCR, states Kay Wernert, CHSA President and Marin Head Start Director. CCR will offer a comprehensive analysis of classroom outcomes".

Child Care Results is preparing this report at no-charge to CHSA. All we need are a few more willing participants!

Our "Desired Results Made Easy" solution eliminates manual data entry, provides top-notch analysis teachers and directors find enormously useful, and helps you to promote your program.

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Head Start Garden Project Update

2008 Growing with Children Head Start Garden Grants have been awarded. The project is sponsored by Western Growers Foundation, and with additional financial support from Lakeshore Learning.

- Community Action Commission
- Contra Costa County Employment and Human Services Department Community Services Bureau
- E-Center Yuba City Center
- El Monte City School District Child Development Programs
- Glenn County Office of Education
- HRC Calaveras Head Start/State Preschool
- Kai Ming Head Start
- Kedren Community Health Center, Inc. Head Start-State Preschool Program
- Lake Family Resource Center Early Head Start
- Long Beach Unified School District Head Start/Early Head Start Program
- Neighborhood House Association
- Northern California Child Development, Inc.
- Orange County Head Start, Inc.
- San Jacinto Unified School District Head Start
- San Juan Unified School District
- SFSU Head Start, Southeast Site
- Stanislaus County Office of Education
- The Institute for Human and Social Development

California School Garden News

- California School Garden Week - Celebrate the Harvest October 25-31, 2008
- An Elementary School grant opportunity is available through the 2008-09 Love Your Veggies™ grant program

Visit: <http://caheadstart.org/GardenProject.html> links to California School Garden News items



User-friendly state voter information for new voters and busy voters. Online order forms will be available starting July 15, and online copies of the Guides in seven languages will be available September 5.

Order Your Easy Voter Guides Today

http://lwvc.convio.net/site/PageServer?pagename=easyvoter_home

KEY DATES

October 20 - Last Day to Register

October 28 - Last Day for "Vote By Mail" ballot application to reach County Elections Office

November 4 - Election Day!

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

State of California - Child Development

The purpose of these regulations is to change state preschool enrollment criteria specified in section 18131 to reflect a change made to statute in 1991, (California Education Code (EC) section 8236), and the granting of priority status for certain populations when two or more families have the same income ranking, (EC section 8263(b)(2)). These regulations also address enrollment priorities and clarify the use of the CEL pursuant to EC section 8227 for children eligible for both state preschool and federal Head Start programs when those children are in need of full-day, full-year services.

Two Ways to comment:

Public Hearing beginning at 10:00: a. m. on October 3, 2008, at 1430 N Street, Room 2102, Sacramento, California.

Written Testimony: Comments may also be submitted by facsimile (FAX) at 916-319-0155 or by e-mail to regcomments@cde.ca.gov. Comments must be received by the Regulations Coordinator prior to 5:00 p.m. on October 3, 2008.

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Learn more about the purposed rules impacting Head Start and CELs at:
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/lr/rr/stpreschoolnot.asp>