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MEMORANDUM

- TODirectors, Exceptional Children ProgramsExceptional Children Coordinators, Charter SchoolsDirectors, State Operated Programs
- FROM Sherry H. Thomas, Director Exceptional Children Division

RE MARCH INSTITUTE, MARCH 2-5, 2020

The March Institute will begin on Monday, March 2, 2020, with three days of institute sessions. Postinstitutes will occur on March 5, 2020. Please see the information below on the institute sessions and registration links. The General March Institute will begin at 10:00 am Monday, March 2 at the Koury Convention Center located at 3121 Gate City Blvd, Greensboro, NC 27407.

Registration for the general session and post institute can be completed at <u>this link</u>. **The fee is \$120.00 to attend the general session**. Registration packets will be available for pick up on Sunday evening from 4:30-5:30 pm and Monday morning from 7:30-9:30 am, at Registration Desk 1. The general session will conclude by 4:00 pm on Wednesday, March 4. A draft agenda will be placed on the EC Division website. Once the online registration is complete, print the invoice and submit with your payment. Registration deadline is COB on February 17, 2020. There will be NO ONSITE registration; You MUST pre-register to attend any part of the Institute.

POST-SESSIONS Thursday, March 5, 2020 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm:

• Behavior Support Specialist: Incorporating Mental Health within a Multi-Tiered System of Support. This presentation will be on System of Care and how it meets the needs of students with behavioral and emotional needs. The presentation will address how schools can collaborate with outside agencies to address student needs. The fee is \$50.00. Pre-registration is required.

The cut-off for the hotel block is **Friday, February 14**th. The room rate is \$147.00 (plus 12.75% hotel tax). Please reserve your hotel room as soon as possible. Rooms usually sell out prior to the cut-off date.

Register for your hotel by clicking <u>on this link</u>. Guests staying at the Sheraton receive complimentary internet access; non-guests will have the option to pay for internet access during the Institute.

Please print and mail your completed registration invoice along with the registration fee per participant to the NC Department of Public Instruction, Exceptional Children, 6356 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-6331.

Registration questions should be directed to Nina Adams, <u>nina.adams@dpi.nc.gov</u>. If you have March Institute questions, you may contact Matt Hoskins at <u>matt.hoskins@dpi.nc.gov</u>.

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