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MEMORANDUM

TO: Directors, Exceptional Children Programs
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CALL FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE SESSION PROPOSALS FOR THE 71ST CONFERENCE ON EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

The Exceptional Children Division is pleased to announce that the Call for Proposals for general conference instructional sessions for the 71st Conference on Exceptional Children will be open from April 6, 2022, until May 13, 2022. Accepted proposals will be notified by June 10, 2022.

The general Conference will be held **November 3-4, 2022, at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro**. Each year thousands of special education teachers, administrators, related service providers, community partners, and families of students with disabilities gather at this event to learn, network and celebrate exemplary practice models, people, and content. As we celebrate this milestone of the 71st Conference, we are excited to announce this year's theme: ***Lighthouse Leadership: Bringing Light to the Future***.

INSTRUCTIONAL SESSIONS: The Division is seeking proposals for 90-minute instructional sessions on a wide variety of topics pertaining to the education of students with disabilities. These sessions will be held on Thursday, November 3, and Friday, November 4. Please visit the [Proposal Submission link](#) for more information and to submit a proposal. The link will also be shared via consultant listservs and NCDPI social media.

Please share this information with staff in your district as the Conference has a rich tradition of local presentations from throughout North Carolina. Questions related to instructional session proposals may be directed to ECConfProposals@dpi.nc.gov.

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