



The Palmetto



**SOUTH
CAROLINA**

"Stronger Together" virtual conference

BY ANN MARIE TAYLOR, SCCEC PRESIDENT-ELECT



The 2021 Conference is FREE and will be all online. We will have a drive available all year long that you can access after the conference launches on February 20, 2021. It will be full of great presentations. If you are interested in submitting a conference proposal this year click this link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfiDnZ-chX-eNIYK0ImBLIRMVJagETsVZENy9h6EBt_mTtiAg/viewform

All conference proposals are due by December 1st, 2020. All types of electronic presentations are accepted, so have fun and be creative!

Do you have questions about the conference? Email Dr. Ann Marie Taylor at sped.rockstar@gmail.com

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SCCEC award nominations

BY LISA HALTER, SCCEC CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Nominations are currently being accepted for the 2020-2021 SC Council for Exceptional Children awards.

The deadline for submissions is Tuesday, December 15. You can access the application through this link: <https://forms.gle/CxxyzcA4yggTcsFJA>

This year has been harder than most. Nominating someone you know for an award would be a great way to celebrate the hard work of a colleague!

Below you will find a list of all awards. If

you click on the award link, you will be able to access the criteria and necessary documentation for each individual award. If you want to know the criteria and necessary documentation for each individual award, or have questions, please email correspondingsecretarysccec@gmail.com

SCCEC AWARDS

- Advocate of the Year
- Betty Brown Training Grant
- Exceptional Teacher of the Year

- General Educator of the Year
- Laura Mohr Scholarship
- Instructional Mini Grant
- Para-Educator of the the Year
- Principal of the Year
- Rookie Teacher of the Year
- SCCEC Member of the Year
- Student Member of the Year
- YES! I Can Award
- VIP Award

Make a Fashion Statement!

Are you interested in supporting SCCEC? If so, we are selling the "Stronger Together" t-shirts on Bonfire. You could be sporting one of these t-shirts while supporting our great organization!

Click here to support:

<https://www.bonfire.com/2021-sc-cec-t-shirt/>



Standing Rules for upcoming virtual conference

BY KATIE MARK, SCCEC VICE-PRESIDENT

The Executive Committee met to review and adjust the Standing Rules of the Representative Assembly meeting. Just as the entire world has had to pivot, the committee also had to adjust what the standing rules of order would be like on

our digital platforms.

The digital rules are very similar to our traditional rules, with a few minor changes. The board voted these rules into this year's meeting. The committee wanted to share so that everyone would be able to know

what the meeting will look like beforehand.

Please review them and we cannot wait to see everyone in the representative assembly meeting this coming February!



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Procedures for Virtual Representative Assembly

STANDING RULES

1. Each representative must virtually register via electronic format. Each representative will fill out their name and what chapter/subdivision are they representing. Each representative must be in good standing. Active membership will be verified electronically.
2. All representatives must be present virtually before the meeting is called to order. Any representatives arriving late will be admitted as an observer but will forfeit all votes.
3. During the Representative Assembly, representatives should indicate their designated their represented chapter/subdivision in the comment section.
4. During the Representative Assembly, the Vice President will inform the group of the total number of votes carried by the seated representatives and the number of votes representing a simple majority. Executive Committee members carrying votes will be identified.
5. Representatives desiring to address the assembly relative to a motion, nomination, amendment or resolution should print the information on the Official Action Form to be officially recorded in the minutes of the Representative Assembly. The form must have the signatures of the person recommending the action and the person seconding the motion.
 - a. Official Action Form should be emailed to the president after the meeting.
6. Each representative who speaks from the floor must state his or her name and the chapter/subdivision represented.
7. Anyone may address the Representative Assembly. Observers are welcome.
8. Only representatives are allowed to vote on issues. Representatives and Executive Committee members may discuss an issue. In the event an Executive Committee member is also a delegate that person may also vote.

Official Action Form

Motion/Nomination/Amendment/Resolution:

Proposed by:

Chapter/Subdivision

Seconded by:

Chapter/Subdivision

"Yes I Can" committee

BY SHARON TAYLOR, "YES I CAN" COMMITTEE CHAIR

I am excited to Chair the "Yes I Can" Committee. I am looking forward to working with this committee and highlighting the best of our special education community.

If you have any students to highlight, please forward the information to me at staylor@richland2.org or at staylorppl@yahoo.com. I truly believe that our students can do anything. They have the potential to

reach for the stars.

I am looking for volunteers to help with this committee. If you have a passion to find the greatest in our students please contact me and let me know.

SCCEC 2021 call for nominations

BY CONSTANCE MAYS, SCCEC PAST PRESIDENT

Are you interested in joining the Executive Committee of SCCEC? We have two positions to elect that will begin terms on July 1, 2021. Elections will be held during our virtual Representative Assembly during the Annual Conference on February 20, 2021.

Vice President (4-year term)

(Vice President will serve successive terms for a total of four years)

Vice President – 1 year, President-Elect – 1 year, President – 1 year, and Past President – 1 year

Treasurer (3-year term)

(Treasurer will serve for a 2 year period with a 1 year overlap to mentor the incoming newly elected Treasurer)

Virtual: SCCEC Annual Conference, February 2021

As chair of the 2020-2021 Nominating Committee, **I am writing to seek your nominations of candidates to stand for elections for the Executive Committee and Executive Board.** Member engagement is critical to the success of SCCEC, and the Board relies upon your recommendations for strong candidates. Even if you represent a different category of membership, please consider colleagues you know at other institutions that are current SCCEC members.

We encourage you to consider someone who embodies the spirit of serving as a deserving candidate.

If you would like to nominate yourself or a colleague, please submit a short bio to Constance Mays (Past President) at maysconstance@gmail.com. Please include the position (Vice President or Treasurer), a headshot, as well as contact information for the nominee. All nominees must be members in good standing of SCCEC. The deadline for nominations is **November 30, 2020**. Candidates' bios will be included in the Conference Newsletter so representatives for the Representative Assembly (RA) will have that information prior to conference.

More information will be shared in the upcoming SCCEC newsletters.
Please keep the dates below in mind:

October 24, 2020 – call for nominations posted
November 30, 2020 - deadline for nominations
February 20, 2021 – elections held at Representative Assembly at Conference

Any questions regarding nominations please contact maysconstance@gmail.com





2020-2021 Dates to Remember

Executive Board Meetings	
August 15	10:00 a.m.
Oct. 17	11:00 a.m.
Dec. 5	11:00 a.m.
Feb. 20	11:00 a.m.
April 17	11:00 a.m.

Executive Committee	
August 14	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 17	9:30 a.m.
Dec. 5	9:30 a.m.
Feb. 20	9:30 a.m.
April 17	9:30 a.m.
June Workday	TBD

Newsletter Submissions

August 21
October 24
February 27
April 24

Conference	
February 20	SCCEC Asynchronous Virtual Conference

Important Dates	
November 30	Nominations for Officers Due
December 1	Proposals for SCCEC Asynchronous Virtual Conference Due (acceptance letters will be sent by January 1)
December 15	Award Nominations Due
January 15	Submit names of representatives for RA
February 1	Completed Virtual Presentations Due
February 1	RA Reports Due
February 20	Representative Assembly