



FATE
Florida Association
of Teacher Educators

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Our Mission includes improving the effectiveness of teacher education through leadership in the development of quality programs to prepare teachers.

The FATE History

FATE, the Florida Association of Teacher Educators became an active state unit of ATE; the Association of Teacher Educators in 1996 when Dr. Mary L. Collins vowed to create an organization that would grow, prosper and withstand political change and the test of time.

Dr. Collins enlisted Dr. Fanchon F. Funk to organize a conference in 1997 with in conjunction with SRATE the Southeastern Regional Association of Teacher Educators. The Florida unit profited from that project, which provided seed money for the inaugural FATE Annual Conference. Membership in FATE has grown steadily since that spring conference in Orlando. In 2001 the conference was moved to the fall and in 2004 moved to central Florida to better accommodate participation by teacher educators from all five (5) state regions.

The 2011 Conference, held in St. Petersburg, Florida, was a great success; as can be seen by the pictures below:



2011 conference attendees in session



Conference Presenters from UCF

*Ray Roberts,
former treasurer
and Susan
Caldwell, current
Board member
(and responsible
for 2010-2011
FATE
Programs)*



Dr. Jennifer
Platt, UCF and
colleagues





*FATE Scholars:
Kara Jones,
Southeastern
University, Hanna
Rose Lindsey,
UNF, Jennifer
Marchione, Saint
Leo University
(Absent in photo),
Scarlett
McCullers,
Warner University*



*Vicky
Zygouris-Coe,
UCF-recipient
of the Mary
Collins Award*

Mary Collins & Fanchon Funk Award Applications

In recognition of outstanding pre-educators and a distinguished educator in the state of Florida, please consider nominations for the following awards:

- **Fanchon F. Funk FATE Scholars Awards:** Each year four pre-service student teachers are recognized for their potential as outstanding future educators. Each recipient received a plaque, a \$500 award and complimentary conference registration.
- **Mary L. Collins Excellence in Teacher Education Award:** This award is presented each year to one distinguished educator who has made significant and substantial contributions to the profession on a local and state level. The recipient will receive an individual plaque, their name engraved on a plaque of past Mary Collins recipients and complimentary conference registration.

Recipients will be honored at the annual FATE Conference on October 6, 2012 in Jacksonville, Florida. Nominations packets are due to Dr. Marie Byrd-Blake by Friday, May 4, 2012 mbyrdblake@sar.usf.edu

FATE NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Members nominated individuals for the various open positions. The FATE Board approved the candidates the week of March 26. Then a slate was compiled. Meet the candidates was posted to the FATE website on April 5th.

FATE elections were held April 11-18, 2012. FATE members received an invitation to vote through email. Those positions open for elections include:

- Vice-president/President-elect
- PK-12, At-large Director
- State college/Community college, At-large Director
- Graduate student, At-large director
- Panhandle, PK-12, Regional director
- Crown, College & University, Regional director
- East Central, PK-12, Regional director
- West Central, College and University, Regional director
- South, PK-12, Regional director
- South, College & University, Regional director

The ballot will be posted on Survey Monkey. Those elected were notified on April 21st. Election results are posted to the FATE website at <http://fate1.org>.

2012 CONFERENCE PROPOSAL

“Removing the Restraints: Helping Educators Overcome Burdens to Quality Instruction for All Students”

Join us to discuss ways for professional teachers and teacher educators to nurture the Whole Learner through collaborative partnerships, research, and clinical preparation. This two-day conference will be held at the **University of North Florida in Jacksonville, Florida on Friday & Saturday, October 5th & 6th**. More information about the conference, including registration, and hotel accommodations will be available on the FATE website at www.fate1.org.

Complete this proposal form and save it to your files. Then, send as an attachment to Madalina Tanase at madalina.tanase@unf.edu.

Title of Presentation:

Presentation Format: __Paper Presentation __Round Table Discussion

Presenter(s) & Affiliation(s):

Conference Strand: __ (insert the letter that best corresponds to your presentation from the list below)

- a. *The Professional Teacher (teacher as a leader; teacher as a researcher; teacher as a decision-maker)*
- b. *Policies: Paradigms, Problems, Possibilities (state and federal mandates; recruitment and retention; shifting resources; students, teachers and schools performance assessments)*
- c. *Nurturing the Whole Learner (parental engagement; stakeholders and partnership; supporting homeless, ELLs, ESE, SES, migrant, refugee, and foster students)*
- d. *Clinical Preparation (delivery models, higher education/school district partnerships, school based pre-service practica, funding, high need schools, professional development schools)*

Description for Conference Program: Be sure to be explicit and show relationship to theme or strand(s)

(50 words maximum):

Presentation Abstract: (300 words maximum):

Contact information

Name:

School affiliation:

E-mail:

Work phone:

Summer contact information:

Will need special assistance: __Yes __No

FATE Region: __Crown __East Central __Panhandle __South __West Central

AV Equipment: AV equipment will be provided; all presenters will have a computer, an ELMO projector and screen available. However, if you prefer bringing your laptop, we can accommodate this.

All proposals must be submitted electronically by Monday, May 7, 2012 (proposal date extended) to Madalina Tanase at madalina.tanase@unf.edu. Proposal acceptance will be sent out by Mon. June 4th.