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Annual IDRA La Semana del Niño Parent Institute™

Home-School-Community Connections: Keys to School Success

Las conexiones entre el hogar, la escuela y la comunidad: las llaves para el éxito escolar

April 13-14, 2011, La Quinta Inns & Suites – San Antonio Convention Center



Administrator and Parent Educator Pre-Conference Institute - April 13 (8:30am - 4:30pm)

Bilingual Parent Institute: Parents Presenting to Parents - April 14 (9am - 2:30pm)

These two institutes offer families, school district personnel and community groups from across Texas the opportunity to network, get resources and information, and receive training and bilingual materials on IDRA's nationally-recognized, research-based model for parent leadership in education. Both institutes are highly interactive and participatory. The pre-conference institute presented by IDRA and TEA staff will focus on the latest research and strategies on effective family engagement. The parent institute and exhibits will be conducted bilingually by parent presenters and will include topics, such as early childhood education, literacy, math and science instruction, bilingual education, dropout prevention, high school graduation requirements, college access, technology use and Title I requirements.

[To learn more about the institute](#)

[To register online.](#)

For more information, contact Ms. Jocellyn Rivera or Ms. Rosie Perez at IDRA (Phone 210-444-1710; e-mail contact@idra.org).

Powerful TEKniques to tackle the TAKS!

Are you looking to boost student performance on the TAKS?

Join IDRA for **Powerful TEKniques to tackle the TAKS!** - One-day institutes in McAllen for high school math and science teachers.

April 15, 2011 - 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

McAllen Convention Center

Participants will learn how to:

- Engage students in relevant and authentic mathematics.
- Explore activities that exemplify the blending of the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills, the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills.
- Develop the key vocabulary for all students.
- Integrate technology for building and reviewing concepts.



- Connect math concepts through hands-on activities.
- Develop mathematically proficient students.

To learn more and to register online.

Registration will be limited to the first 50 participants per session

Coca-Cola Valued Youth Program Annual Institute

Register today for IDRA's Coca-Cola Valued Youth Program Annual Institute in San Antonio. For current Coca-Cola Valued Youth Program sites, there is no registration fee.

This event is designed for current program administrators, teacher coordinators, elementary and secondary principals, elementary receiving teachers, and counselors.



Wednesday, April 13, 2011 – Noon to 5:00 p.m., includes opening luncheon

Thursday, April 14, 2011 – 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Institute Objectives

- Recognize districts for their commitment to students who are in at risk situations
- Learn how program administrators support the program
- Learn to incorporate college mentors
- Learn how others are including college access and readiness

At the institute you also will be able to...

- Review the online evaluation system, the Evaluator
- Share program strengths and even share your best success
- Review online fellows network and create your account

Feel free to forward this information to other Coca-Cola Valued Youth Program staff. We look forward to seeing you there!

Note: During the week of the Coca-Cola Valued Youth Program institute, Fiesta San Antonio will be taking place, April 7-17! Fiesta San Antonio started in 1891 as a one-parade event and has evolved today into one of this nation's premier festivals with more than 100 events. Come visit our wonderful Fiesta. We have something for everybody - Viva Fiesta!

Hotel

Make reservations at: La Quinta Inn & Suites San Antonio Downtown, 100 W Durango Blvd., San Antonio, Texas 78204
Phone: 210-212-5400

For special rate of \$109 plus tax (single or double occupancy), mention: "IDRA Coca-Cola Valued Youth Program." La Quinta Inn & Suites San Antonio Convention Center is located downtown and in the middle of all that San Antonio has to offer: the picturesque River Walk and historic Alamo, Market Square, Fiesta celebrations, the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, San Antonio Zoo and Botanical Gardens. There are several eateries nearby and plenty of shopping at Rivercenter Mall. This hotel also offers a free hot breakfast each morning for hotel guest.

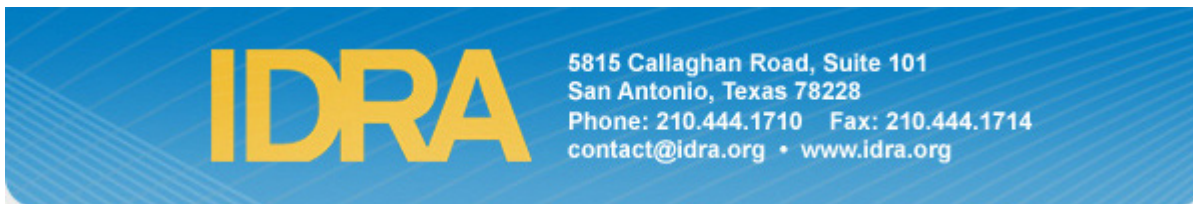
The Coca-Cola Valued Youth Program prevents drop out and changes lives. To hear what valued youth tutors are saying about their experience, visit [student essays](#) and a [YouTube video by tutor, Kwame' Weatherall](#).

To learn more about the Coca-Cola Valued Youth Program Annual Institute and to register online.

The **Intercultural Development Research Association** is an independent private non-profit organization dedicated to realizing the right of every child to a quality education. IDRA strengthens and transforms public education by providing dynamic training; useful research, evaluation, and frameworks for action; timely policy analyses; and innovative materials and programs.

IDRA works hand-in-hand with hundreds of thousands of educators and families each year in communities and classrooms around the country. All our work rests on an unwavering commitment to creating self-renewing schools that value and promote the success of students of all backgrounds.

We are a small organization with a powerful mission: to create schools that work for *all* children.



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