

REQUIRED COVER PAGE**APPLICATION FOR FACULTY RESEARCH GRANT**

****All questions must be completed to be considered for grant award.**

Choose one: <input type="checkbox"/> Creative <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Research	Date of Last FRG Award (Semester and Year awarded): _____ Date of ATU Faculty Appointment (Semester and Year): _____
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1. Project Title: Positive Teacher-Parent Communication and its importance in Student Achievement.

2. Name of Principal Investigator/Project Director: Jackie Paxton, Ed.D.

3. School (abbrev): Education 4. Department: C & I

5. Campus Mail Address: Crabaugh 102 6. PI/PD Campus Phone: 356-2016

7. Amount Requested: \$ 818 8. Total Cost of Project: \$ 818

9. Does this project involve: 10. Duration of Project: April 15, 2006

Yes No

- ☐ ☒ human subjects?
☐ ☒ animals/animal care facility?
☐ ☒ radioactive materials?
☐ ☒ hazardous materials?
☐ ☒ biological agents or toxins restricted by the USA Patriot Act?
☐ ☒ copyright or patent potential?
☐ ☒ utilization of space **not** currently available to the PI/PD?
☐ ☒ the purchase of equipment/instrumentation/software currently **available** to the PI/PD?

NOTE: If the answer is "yes" to any of the above questions, the investigator must attach appropriate documentation of approval or justification for use/purchase.

SIGNATURES

Department Contribution (if applicable): \$ _____

Account Number: _____

Chairperson

Date

School Contribution (if applicable): \$ _____

Account Number: _____

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Date

This Section to be completed by the Office of Academic Affairs

FSBA Committee Award Recommendation: Yes _____ No _____
FSBA Committee Proposal Rank: _____ of _____ Total Proposals.
Recommendation of VPAA: Yes _____ No _____
Recommendation of President: Yes _____ No _____
Award Date: _____

B. Abstract of Presentation

Classrooms across America are filled with students who are hardworking, active and success oriented. Likewise, there are students who struggle academically and behaviorally. Within this mix of students we also find a group of children who are often overlooked by teachers in the course of daily events. These overlooked children come to class, go quietly about their business, and have little interaction with the adults within their school environment. A challenge faced by teachers and school personnel is to find a way to bring these children more into the mainstream of classroom activity.

It has long been noted that the classroom teacher can have a tremendous effect on students, either in a positive or negative manner. A simple approach which may have great benefit in transforming the overlooked students in a classroom into the mainstream of activity could be a positive communication from the teacher to the child's parent.

This approach was tried with outstanding results. The presentation will present results obtained and demonstrate how easily this approach can be used, and the impact that it can have on students, teachers and parents.

C. Purpose

The purpose of this presentation is to provide teachers with a simple and often overlooked method of encouraging student achievement and social interaction. By showing the results of a positive communication sent to the student parents this presentation offers teachers an easy and useful method to improve these skills in their students as well as provide the opportunity to communicate with parents in a positive manner.

D. Significance

This presentation provides teachers with a readily available, easy to implement method for improving student interaction and academic achievement.

E. Process for Attainment of Goals and Objectives

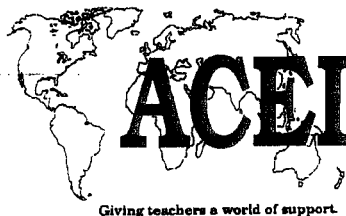
To present information at educational conferences and submit information for publication.

F. Dissemination of results

The results will be presented at the ACEI International Conference at San Antonio, Texas on April 15, 2006.

REQUESTED BUDGET

Registration.....	\$ 244
Travel by personal vehicle to/from San Antonio, Texas.....	\$246
Lodging.....	\$238
Meals \$20 per day x 3 days.....	\$60
Copy costs for handouts.....	\$ 30
Total Requested.....	\$818



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DATE: January 23, 2006

TO: Jackie Paxton

FROM: Lisa A. Wenger, Director of Conferences

RE: The Effects of Positive Teacher-Parent Communication and its
Importance in Student Achievement

Congratulations! Your proposal has been accepted for a poster session during the 2006 ACEI Annual International Conference & Exhibition, April 12-15, 2006, in San Antonio, TX.

Please review the information provided on this sheet for accuracy, as it contains the title and description of your presentation. This information was taken directly from your proposal and it is how your session will be described on our Web site and in the *Conference Program*. If you need to correct any of the information listed about your session or have questions contact me at (301) 570-2111, extension 17 with any changes you may have.

Main Thrust: Many students come to class, do their work, but have little interaction with adults within their environment. This presentation offers one way to encourage involvement.

Assigned Date/Time: Saturday, April 15, 2006, 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Location: Rio Grande West

A/V Requests: No A/V equipment permitted for poster sessions

Enclosed is a *Conference Preview Brochure*, which includes a *Registration Form*; if you **have not yet registered for the conference, please do so as soon as possible** so you can be listed in conjunction with this session in Conference publicity. As a professional courtesy, please notify ACEI headquarters immediately if you or a co-presenter is unable to participate in the Conference. All cancellations must be received in writing before February 20, 2006.

Make travel and accommodations arrangements early to ensure receiving the best rates. The Hyatt Regency San Antonio is the headquarters hotel for the Conference and is offering the following rates to ACEI attendees: \$119 single/ \$129 double. Room reservations can be made by calling the hotel at (210) 222-1234 or (888) 421-1442.

Proposal
For Presentation at the 2006 ACEI Annual International Conference and Exhibition

The Effects of Positive Teacher –Parent Communication and its Importance in Student
Achievement

By

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Title: Positive Teacher-Parent Communication and its Importance in Student Achievement

Main thrust: Many students come to class, do their work but have little interaction with adults within their environment. This presentation offers one way to encourage involvement.

Theme: Diversity in Homes, Families, and Schools; specifically creating caring classrooms.

Category: Poster Session- Hall of Excellence

Handouts: Handouts will be provided to summarize the presentation/results.

Overview of Presentation:

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PROPOSED BUDGET FACULTY RESEARCH GRANT

(include budget categories as appropriate)

1. Graduate assistant stipend \$ _____
Fringe benefits @ .4% (4/10 percent) of graduate assistant stipend _____

2. Non-work study stipend _____
Fringe benefits @ .4% (4/10 percent) of non-work study stipend _____

3. *Supplies (please list items to be purchased and estimated price per item including taxes and shipping, if appropriate):

Item No. 1 (e.g., software)	Estimated Price	Registration	244
Item No. 2 (e.g., copying costs)	Estimated Price	Copying	30
Item No. 3	Estimated Price		
(additional lines as needed)			

Total estimated supplies _____

4. Travel (please list travel expenditures by date and estimated costs):

Travel No. 1	Estimated Price	Travel	246
Travel No. 2	Estimated Price	Lodging	238
Travel No. 3	Estimated Price	meals	60
(additional lines as needed)			

Total estimated travel _____

5. *Capital Outlay (please list items to be purchased and estimated price per item including taxes and shipping, if appropriate):

Item No. 1	Estimated Price		
Item No. 2	Estimated Price		
Item No. 3	Estimated Price		
(additional lines as needed)			

Total estimated capital outlay _____

TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET \$ 818

* Items purchased under \$2,500 (including taxes and shipping) are considered supply items. Capital Outlay items are those which cost \$2,500 or more (including taxes and shipping). Please contact the Purchasing Office for questionable items.



CONFERENCE TRAVEL AGENT

Contact **Association Travel Concepts**, the official travel agency for the 2006 ACEI Annual International Conference & Exhibition. ATC provides personalized service, advanced seat assignments, special meal requests on airline flights, frequent flier programs, E-ticketing, E-mail access for convenient booking of your tickets, and MORE!

Please contact ATC at (800) 458-9383 or (858) 490-3977 for more information, or E-mail them at atc@atcmeetings.com. Find them on the Internet at www.atcmeetings.com.

Fax: (858) 581-3988.

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HYATT REGENCY SAN ANTONIO PASKEY REGISTRATION FORM

2006 ACEI Annual Conference • April 12-15, 2006

**Reservations must be received by
March 10, 2006**

at the Hyatt Regency San Antonio

(Please book early—space may sell out prior to March 10th)

Name: _____ Address: _____
First Last

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Postal Code/Country: _____

Daytime Phone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____ Home: (____) _____

E-Mail: _____

Arrival Date* _____ Arrival Time _____ Departure Date _____

Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. Check-out time is 12:00 noon.

*Personal checks, money orders, or a valid credit card with expiration date after April 30, 2006, are acceptable methods of room reservation guarantee. For payment by credit card, please provide information at the bottom of this form. All deposits are fully refundable if a room is canceled 48 hours or more prior to the arrival date. Rooms may not be available for occupancy before 3:00 p.m. on day of arrival. Credit by major credit card must be established upon arrival. A \$50 penalty will apply for check-out before scheduled departure date.

Please check desired accommodations:

Request:

- ☐ \$119 Single occupancy (plus tax)
☐ \$129 Double occupancy (plus tax)

- ☐ 1 King Bed ☐ Smoking Room
☐ 2 Double Beds ☐ Non-Smoking Room

Number of people in room:

_____ (adults) _____ (children)

Please use the following to reserve my room:

- ☐ American Express ☐ VISA
☐ Diner's Club ☐ MasterCard

Card #: _____

Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____

(REQUIRED for credit cards)

To reserve your room, please return form to:

Hyatt Regency San Antonio (210) 222-1234
123 Losoya Street (888) 421-1442
San Antonio, TX 78205 Fax: (210) 362-6340

Please list additional occupant(s):

(There is no need for your roommates to send duplicate forms)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (____) _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (____) _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (____) _____

ACEI 2006



April 12-15, 2006
Hyatt Regency San Antonio
San Antonio, TX

REGISTRATION FORM

Return completed form with payment to:

ACEI 2006, 17904 Georgia Avenue, Ste. 215, Olney, MD 20832

Questions or to register by phone:

800-423-3563 or 301-570-2111 Fax: 301-570-2212

E-mail: conference@acei.org



☐ Check here if you require special services

Name: _____ Title/Prof. Affil.: _____
Address: _____ City/State: _____
Postal Code: _____ Country: _____
Daytime Phone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____
(required)
Home Phone: (____) _____ E-Mail: _____
(required)

A. CONFERENCE REGISTRATION [Please check appropriate box]

	Until Feb. 17, 2006	Feb. 18, 2006, & later	
<input type="checkbox"/> ACEI Member	\$169	\$244	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-ACEI Member*	\$254	\$329	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Student** OR Spouse OR Retiree	\$95	\$134	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Group (4+ from same school)**	\$69	\$107	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> One-Day ACEI Member	\$95	\$134	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> One-Day Non-ACEI Member	\$129	\$169	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Professional Rate (4+ from same school)	\$154	\$229	\$
TOTAL A. Conference Registration			\$

* NONMEMBERS, ENROLL NOW AS AN ACEI MEMBER (\$45 PROFESSIONAL DUES) AND PAY THE REDUCED MEMBER FEE FOR CONFERENCE REGISTRATION. SAVE MONEY AND GET A FULL YEAR OF MEMBER BENEFITS, INCLUDING A SUBSCRIPTION TO CHILDHOOD EDUCATION. SEE LINE BELOW TO JOIN AS AN ACEI MEMBER.

**Student registration fee applies to current students only. Adviser's signature required.

Adviser's Signature: _____

B. ACEI MEMBERSHIP (OUTSIDE OF THE USA ADD \$14 FOR POSTAGE)

<input type="checkbox"/> ACEI 1-Year Professional Membership	\$45	\$45	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> ACEI 1-Year Student Membership	\$29	\$29	\$
TOTAL B. ACEI Membership			\$

C. CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS (PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

<input type="checkbox"/> New Member Orientation – Thursday, April 13	FREE	\$	-0-
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Make-n-Take Workshop #1 – Thursday, April 13	FREE	\$	-0-
<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Training Workshop – Friday, April 14	FREE	\$	-0-
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Make-n-Take Workshop #2 – Saturday, April 15	FREE	\$	-0-
TOTAL C. Conference Workshops			\$ -0-

D. NCATE (PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

<input type="checkbox"/> NCATE Orientation for Institutions only – April 11	\$475	\$	
<input type="checkbox"/> Orientation for Institutions & Conference Registration	\$625/\$575 2nd+	\$	
<input type="checkbox"/> NCATE Orientation for Institutions only – April 11 (Teams of 3-12)	\$1,000/team	\$	
<input type="checkbox"/> NCATE Reviewer Update & Follow-Up – April 14, Current Reviewers ONLY		\$	-0-
<input type="checkbox"/> NCATE Team Chairs Meeting – April 14, Team Chairs ONLY		\$	-0-
<input type="checkbox"/> NCATE Reviewer Training – April 15, Current Applicants ONLY		\$	-0-
TOTAL D. NCATE			\$

Please be advised that visa applications are subject to a greater degree of scrutiny than in the past, and visa wait times vary depending on the Consular location. It is advised to apply early and familiarize yourself with the U.S. State Department's policy at www.travel.state.gov

E. OPTIONAL MEALS/SPECIAL EVENTS*** [Please check appropriate box(es). Kosher, vegetarian, and special dietary meals available if requested in advance. Attach a note telling us your requirements.]

- ☐ Texas Night Reception – Wednesday, April 12.....\$25 per person.....\$_____
- ☐ Infancy/Early Childhood Luncheon – Thursday, April 13.....\$33 per person.....\$_____
- ☐ Intermediate/Middle Childhood Luncheon – Thursday, April 13...\$33 per person.....\$_____
- ☐ OMEP Breakfast – Friday, April 14.....\$31 per person.....\$_____
- ☐ Celebration Breakfast – Saturday, April 15.....\$30 per person.....\$_____
- ☐ Author's Luncheon – Saturday, April 15.....\$32 per person.....\$_____
- ☐ Meal Package (Section E items only, 5 meals – SAVE \$6!).....\$145 per person.....\$_____

Important: for meal package, choose either Infancy/Early Childhood Luncheon or Intermediate/Middle Childhood Luncheon

TOTAL F. Optional Meals/Special Events.....\$_____

CALCULATE PAYMENT

***Note: Although tickets for meals/special events will be available on site, some events may be filled. We urge you to pre-register. No refunds are given once a meal or special function reservation is made, due to contract commitments.

- A. Conference Registration Total.....\$_____
- B. ACEI Membership Total.....\$_____
- C. Conference Workshops.....\$_____
- D. NCATE.....\$_____
- E. Optional Meals/Special Events.....\$_____
- F. \$25 processing fee for all Purchase Orders (See NOTE Below)\$_____
- Grand Total Due.....\$_____**

METHOD OF PAYMENT/CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION

ACEI is authorized to charge the credit card below for my Conference registration fees in the amount indicated on this form.

INDICATE TYPE OF CREDIT CARD: ☐  ☐  Only VISA and MasterCard will be accepted.

Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Cardholder Name: _____

Authorized Signature: _____

(required for all credit card payments)

☐ Check Enclosed

☐ P.O.#: _____

NOTE: There is a \$25 processing fee per registrant for Purchase Orders. Add the \$25 to your total above. Purchase Orders without the processing fee will not be accepted and the corresponding registrations cannot be confirmed.

Check ONLY ONE of the following that best describes you:

- ☐ Classroom Teacher ☐ University Faculty ☐ Child Care Staff
- ☐ Public/Private School Admin. ☐ University Student ☐ Child Care Admin.
- ☐ Other (Please specify): _____

☐ **Yes! I am a
National Board
Certified Teacher.**

If you have a serious or life threatening medical condition, it is your responsibility to wear a medic alert at all times. Also, please inform both the ACEI staff and appropriate hotel personnel of your situation when you arrive at the conference. A traveling companion, close friend, or colleague should also be advised of your medical condition.

THE SMALL PRINT – IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ

- Make check or money order payable to ACEI. Checks must be drawn on U.S. or Canadian bank (Canadian checks must be in U.S. dollars).
- A receipt will be mailed to each registrant prior to the meeting, excluding registrations received after March 31, 2006.
- Tickets to all prepaid functions will be in the registration packet picked up on-site.
- Fill out this form only once. If you register separately for a tour or meal at a later date, submit your payment by mail with a letter telling us that you have already registered for the Conference.
- **NOTICE:** Requests for Conference registration refunds must be received in writing before March 17, 2006, and a \$40.00 service charge will be deducted from all refunds. Substitutions are permitted at any time. No refund requests received after March 17, 2006, will be honored. All tour and meal sales/reservations are final. No refunds unless ACEI cancels the tour or meal.
- The planners & sponsors of this function claim no liability for the acts of any suppliers to this meeting or for the safety of any attendee while in transit to or from this event. The planners & sponsors reserve the right to cancel this function without penalty. Attendees who purchase nonrefundable airline tickets do so at their own risk. The total amount of any liability of the planners & sponsors will be limited to a refund of attendee fee.
- Expenses for training, including tuition, travel, lodging, & meals when incurred for the purpose of maintaining or improving your skills in your present profession, are tax deductible under the Tax Reform Act of 1986, either as business deductions or as Second Tier Miscellaneous Itemized Deductions. Consult your tax adviser for specific information regarding your specific tax situation.