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2008 Featured Languages & Theme

- Spanish: Unamos nuestras manos a favor del exito de nuestros estudiantes
- Yup'ik — Tass'uqluta Elitnauramta Egmiutekaitnun

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**BILINGUAL MULTICULTURAL
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About This Conference

The Bilingual Multicultural Education/Equity Conference (BMEEC) provides a unique and important forum to share educational objectives, techniques, projects and programs... some that are proven and others that are pioneering. The focus of this year's conference will address five overall themes —

- 1) Academic Language
- 2) Child Language Development and Literacy
- 3) Equity and Safe Schools
- 4) Inclusive Excellence
- 5) Parent Resource Partnerships

For three days, colleagues will have opportunities to network during the reception, luncheons and breaks. You will glean new skills and hear new ideas through pertinent keynote presentations and workshops. You will observe and enjoy culture in action through lively, colorful cultural performances. And, you will help establish the direction of bilingual and multicultural education by attending the membership meetings of the Alaska Native Educators' Association (ANEA) and Alaska Association for Bilingual Education (AKABE), and via sessions directed at regional and special interest groups.

Who Should Attend

- Classroom Teachers and Educators
- Paraprofessionals
- Bilingual Coordinators / Curriculum and Equity Coordinators
- School Administrators and Counselors
- Students, Parents and Community Members

The theme of the 2008 BMEEC conference is **Joining Hands for Student Success**. Student Success relies upon the partnership among schools, families and communities. It takes all three. Our conference logo illustrates how we are joined together to work towards student success.

Joining Hands for Student Success

Each year, BMEEC features two languages. For 2008, we honor Yup'ik and Spanish. Below, the conference theme is translated into these languages:

- **Spanish:** Unamos nuestras manos a favor del éxito de nuestros estudiantes
- **Yup'ik** — Tass'uqluta Elitnauramta Egmiutekaitnun

Conference Details

Hotel Special Rate Deadline Jan. 1

As host facility, the Sheraton Anchorage Hotel is offering conference delegates a special room rate of \$99 Standard Rooms, \$129 Club Level, additional 3rd and 4th person \$10 each per night. Reservations must be made by Jan. 1, 2008. Call the hotel at (907) 276-8700 or toll free at 1-800-325-3535, and reference the BMEEC.

Academic College Credit

ANS/ED 370 — Issues in Alaska Bilingual and Multicultural Education. This one-credit University of Alaska course meets the multicultural requirement and can be repeated. Register at the conference. Credit cost is \$147.

AKABE Annual Membership Meeting

Please join us for the Annual AKABE Membership Meeting on Tuesday, January 29 at 4:30 p.m.

Native Educators' Membership Meeting

Please join us for the 3rd Annual Alaska Native Educators' Association Membership Meeting on Monday, January 28.

Early Conference Check-In Sunday Night

Get a head start on preparing for your conference experience with an early check-in Sunday evening. The BMEEC Registration Desk, located on the second floor of the Sheraton Anchorage, will be open 4:00-8:00 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 27. You'll be able to pick up your name badge, conference program and other delegate materials.

Reserve Your Space at Meal Functions

For planning purposes, conference organizers need delegates to reserve space at the 2007 BMEEC's meal functions, including:

- BMEEC Luncheon January 28
- BMEEC Cultural Celebration Reception January 28
- Alaska Association for Bilingual Education (AKABE) Luncheon January 30.

Please mark the check box if you intend to participate in any or all three on your registration form.

Register Online — <http://ankn.uaf.edu/bmeec>

Keynote Speakers

Dr. Robin Scarcella

University ESL Program Director / Lecturer

Monday General Session Keynote

Keynote: Connecting Through Academic Language

Robin Scarcella, PhD, is Director of the ESL Program and Lecturer of the ESL Program /Linguistics Department of the University of California, Irvine. She has written over 20 articles on ESL teaching and L2 acquisition, edited three volumes and written one book. Her articles have appeared in such journals as the TESOL quarterly, Language Learning, Brain and Language and Second Language Research. She has lectured at over 20 universities and institutes including the Center for Applied Linguistics, the Foreign Language Institute, Stanford and University of Hawaii. Dr. Scarcella earned her doctoral degree in Linguistics at the University of Southern California and her master's in Second Language Acquisition-Education from Stanford University.



Panigkaq Agatha John-Shields

Charter School Principal / Administrator

Tuesday General Session Keynote

Keynote: TBD

Panigkaq Agatha John-Shields is the Principal/Administrator for the Ayaprun Elitnaurvik, a Yupik Immersion Charter School based in Bethel. Ms. John-Shields has worked for the Lower Kuskokwim School District for 14 years, serving as a Yup'ik second language teacher in third and fifth grades, and developing course materials. She was born and raised in Nunakauyaq (Toksook Bay). Her eldest daughter was in the pilot group that graduated from Ayaprun Eilnaurvik. Her other five children are also enrolled.



Bryan McKinley Jones Brayboy

University Professor of Education

Wednesday General Session Keynote

Keynote: Indigenous Ways of Knowing & Being: A Classroom Example

Bryan McKinley Jones Brayboy is President's Professor of Education at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. His scholarship, teaching, and service centers on underrepresented students and faculty in higher education. His research focuses on the strategies used to achieve academic success by American Indian college students, and the cultural, emotional, psychological, political, and financial costs and benefits of this academic success. In 2002, he founded the University of Utah American Indian Teacher Training Program, which aims to prepare indigenous educators to return to their communities and work with Indigenous children



At-a-Glance

Agenda

Sunday January 27

4:00-8:00pm Early Registration Desk Open

Monday January 28

7:00a-5:00p Registration

8:00a-5:00p Exhibits Open

8:30-10:00a Opening Session

- Welcome
- Keynote Address
- Cultural Presentation

10:15-11:30a Concurrent Workshops

11:45a-1:15p BMEEC Luncheon

- Cultural Presentation

1:00-1:30p Credit Course Information

1:30-2:45p Concurrent Workshops

3:00-4:15p Concurrent Workshops

4:15-6:30p Cultural Celebration and Reception

- Cultural Presentations

Tuesday January 29

7:00a-5:00p Registration

8:00a-5:00p Exhibits Open

8:00-9:15a General Session

- Keynote Address
- Cultural Presentation

9:30a-12:30p Student Field Trip

9:30a-10:45p Concurrent Workshops

11:00-11:45a Concurrent Workshops

12:00-1:00p Special Interest Groups

12:00-1:00p Lunch (on your own)

1:15-2:30p Concurrent Workshops

2:45-4:00p Concurrent Workshops

4:15-5:30p AKABE Annual Membership Meeting

Wednesday January 30

7:00a-2:00p Registration

8:00a-3:00p Exhibits Open

8:00-9:15a General Session

- Keynote Address
- Cultural Presentation

9:30-10:45a Concurrent Workshops

11:00a-12:15p Concurrent Workshops

12:30-2:00p AKABE Awards Luncheon

- Install New Board
- Annual Awards

2:15-3:00p Regional Meetings

2:15-3:00p Student Caucus

3:15-3:45p Conference Wrap-up Meeting

2008 BMEEC Registration



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About the Registrant

Name Job Title

Organization / School / Agency Community (to appear on name badge)

Billing Address City State Zip Code

Personal Address for AKABE Membership and Future Mailings City State Zip Code

Phone Fax Email

Do you have any special needs for participation in the conference?

Calculate Conference Fees

	Deadline to be faxed or postmarked:	by 1/4/08	after 1/4/08	
<input type="checkbox"/> BMEEC Full Conference		\$235	\$260	\$ _____
Full conference registrants will receive meal tickets for BMEEC Lunch, Cultural Night Reception, AKABE Lunch and 1-year AKABE membership. To assist in planning, please mark which meals you plan to attend:				
<input type="checkbox"/> BMEEC Lunch, Mon. Jan. 28	<input type="checkbox"/> Reception, Mon. Jan. 28	<input type="checkbox"/> AKABE Lunch, Wed. Jan. 30		
<input type="checkbox"/> Student including AKABE Membership*		\$90	\$100	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Student not including AKABE Membership*		\$80	\$90	\$ _____
*Student conference registration includes the reception only. Lunches must be purchased separately.				
<input type="checkbox"/> Single Day (no meals included)		\$92	\$102	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> BMEEC Luncheon Only		\$30	\$30	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Celebration and Reception Only		\$10	\$10	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> AKABE Luncheon Only		\$30	\$30	\$ _____
Registration for meal events after Jan. 25 will be on a space available basis. Opportunities to purchase meal tickets at the conference are limited.				TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Fee Payment

Name of Individual or Organization responsible for payment of your conference fees:

Check enclosed, payable to Visions. Check No. _____ Purchase Order enclosed. P.O. No. _____

Credit Card.** Indicate Type: Visa MasterCard American Express

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** Credit card charges will appear as "Visions" on your statement.

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations must be made in writing, no later than **January 11, 2008** and submitted by mail, fax, or email. All cancellations will be charged a \$30 processing fee. No refunds will be granted after **January 11, 2008**