



BE the Difference

Virginia School Counselor Association
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Conference 2006
Richmond, VA
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Welcome to the Virginia School Counselor Association Conference 2006 at the Holiday Inn Select, Koger South, Richmond, Virginia. Our theme is ***“Be the Difference.”***

As professional school counselors we are challenged everyday to *Be the Difference* in our students' lives through our counseling programs, our leadership, our use of data and our advocacy for students. We are the professionals in the school building most in touch with the academic, career, personal, and social needs of our students. In collaboration with organizations such as the American School Counselor Association and the College Board National Office of School Counselor Advocacy, the Virginia School Counselor Association is providing leadership to all school counselors in Virginia.

The focus of this year's conference is to provide school counselors with the tools needed to continue to grow in their ability to help students gain academic, career and personal skills, and prepare them to meet the challenges of the 21st Century.

Highlights of the Conference:

- ❖ Thursday keynote address by Pat Martin, Assistant to the President of The College Board.
- ❖ Receive the results of the survey of Virginia professional school counselors conducted Fall 2005 in collaboration with The College Board National Office of School Counselor Advocacy, and the University of Maryland.
- ❖ Friday keynote address by Jim Fish, Principal Coach, Tucson Arizona, and former principal of Sherwood High School in Montgomery Co, Maryland.
- ❖ Friday: Focus on the Counselor-Principal relationship - bring your administrator for the day at no cost.
- ❖ Friday 10:15 to 11:45 a.m. School District Meet and Greet 2006.

This conference is VSCA's gift to you! Come celebrate the successes of school counselors throughout Virginia, renew old relationships, and increase the skills that will allow you to continue to *Be the Difference* for the students you serve!

Carol Kaffenberger,
Conference Chair 2006, Past President 2004-2005