35th ANNUAL SCACS COLUMBIA CONFERENCE & LEGISLATIVE EVENT

Courtyard by Marriott, 630 Assembly Street Columbia, SC

Wednesday, February 11, 2015

It's hard to believe! The upcoming conference will be 35 years in a row that SCACS has hosted this event. This annual conference is for Pastors, Administrators, and Board Members of all Christian schools, members and non-members, and students. It is also for Directors of Church Child Care Centers. The Conference begins at 10:00 a.m. and will conclude by 1:00 p.m. and includes lunch. The conference will be jam-packed, providing you with pertinent information on a variety of issues. Several state senators are scheduled to speak; Mr. Jamison Coppola, AACS Legislative Director, will be present to brief us on national issues as well.

Member schools may each bring up to eight students (Juniors or Seniors only). While we are sorry to have to limit the number of students, space limitations dictate in this matter. Let me encourage each school to bring students; it is an opportunity to expose our governmental leaders to what we are all about—our students. It is also an opportunity to foster an interest and sense of responsibility in our students who will be the next generation of Christian leaders in South Carolina. Students are given an opportunity to go onto the Capitol grounds for an activity directed by Mr. Chad Connelly.

You will note that we are <u>not</u> at the Blatt Building this year—our purpose for moving is to be more effective as we try to inform you and allow you to hear from some key legislators. We are taking a new approach to the event and believe that it will improve the quality of what we want to accomplish. We will keep you informed as to how we adjust moving forward.

The annual SCACS business meeting will be included in our conference. The meeting will include many items that are necessary for the ongoing operation of our association, including an update on *Advance Carolina* and the tax credit scholarships through Proviso 1.85 and the election of SCACS board members. Each school should have already received a proposed list of nominees.

It is vital that you take part in this business meeting and conference. This is your organization and we need your participation. Every SCACS member school is asked to have a representative in attendance. Please do not put this invitation on the back burner. This is an extremely important conference. This will be an important year legislatively for our association.

Our conference is scheduled to finish by 1:00 p.m. Our finish time is designed to allow you to schedule an appointment with your state senator and/or legislator(s). The impact of your young people meeting these lawmakers cannot be overstated. You should be able to schedule appointments beginning at 1:30 p.m.

A registration form is enclosed.

Please complete and return to the SCACS office on or before February 5th.

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SCHOOL or CENTER NAME	
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	ACS Legislative fee)
List <u>additional</u> Pastors, Administrators, Directors, & Board Members below and on reverse if necessary.	List Student Names below (only 8 – Juniors or Seniors)
Number attending conference	@ \$30.00 = (Please enclose this amt.)
Check. # or Credit Card #	Exp. Date
(Registration after Fe	hruary 5, will be \$35,00 per person)

Return completed form with payment to: SCACS • 615 St. Andrews Rd. • Columbia, SC 29210