



Perspectives

Sunshine State TESOL of Florida
Newsletter

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A Celebration of a Historic Event in Florida!

30 YEARS CONSENT DECREE



OUR 1ST EVER
VIRTUAL
SSTESOL ANNUAL CONFERENCE
14 & 15 NOVEMBER, 2020
with a celebration party on the evening of Friday 13th

COME JOIN US!

SSTESOL OF FLORIDA'S

FIRST EVER VIRTUAL

ANNUAL CONFERENCE!

NOVEMBER 13, 14 & 15TH

VISIT WWW.SSTESOL.ORG FOR MORE
INFORMATION.

SSTESOL Features the Following Events!

SSTESOL Gets Social

Friday, Nov 13th 7:00pm

Welcome/Awards Ceremony

Celebrating 30 Years of the Consent Decree

SSTESOL Press' 1st Book Release Celebration

SSTESOL Showcases the Profession

Saturday, Nov 14th and Sunday, Nov 15th

8:30am-4:00pm, on the half hour

Invited presentations:

Best of School Districts, SSTESOL Chapters, FABES,
and Florida Teachers of the Year

Break-out strands:

K-12 ESL, Technology, Teacher Education, Adult
Education, Dual Language, Advocacy, IEP/EAP, EFL

Dear Fellow SSTESOLers,

Be Encouraged!

There is still time....

· to apply for Conference Grants, Awards, Scholarships and Recognition
Opportunities here: (<https://sunshinestatetesol.wildapricot.org/page-1075423>
under Programs tab),

or

· to submit a presentation proposal here:
(<https://sunshinestatetesol.wildapricot.org/page-1075488>)

to the

2020 SSTESOL of Florida First Ever Virtual Conference on November 13 – 15, 2020.

We are accepting presentation proposals and applications for awards, grants, scholarships and recognition opportunities until September 28, 2020.

The conference planning team welcomes TESOL educators from Florida, across the nation and around the globe to please register here:

<https://web.cvent.com/event/9a69c4e4-030c-448a-8a37-6c07a32033f0/summary>

Exhibitors

We welcome your support and participation. Your registration fee is \$200.00 with multiple privileges. Please visit:

<https://sunshinestatetesol.wildapricot.org/Exhibitors> for more information. For questions and more information, contact Eric Letourneaux, Exhibitor Liaison, at **eletourneaux@valenciacollege.edu**.

Thank you, and we look forward to a meaningful professional learning engagement with you at our upcoming SSTESOL Virtual Conference.

Please visit: **<https://sunshinestatetesol.wildapricot.org/>** for more information.

If you have more questions regarding the 2020 SSTESOL First Ever Virtual Conference, please contact Dr. Tony Erben, Conference Chair, at **sstesol@gmail.com**.

Sincerely,

The SSSTESOL of Florida Conference Team



SSTESOL Membership Benefits
Enjoy the Instructional resources within ESL Library.
<https://help.esllibrary.com/article/202-quick-intro-to-esl-library>

Did you know that one of the SSTESOL membership benefits is free access to ESL Library's Plus plan for two months?

ESL Library is a subscription service for English language teachers used in over 10,000 schools around the world. They provide digital and printable materials that work together for flexible teaching. Take a look at their site to find relevant, engaging lesson plans, flashcards, and other resources for your students of all ages and levels. Their goal is to help create great teaching moments in your classroom, regardless of what "classroom" means to you today.

Interested in starting your free access to ESL Library?

Visit www.esllibrary.com/sstesolmembers and enter the code to get started!

You may request your code by sending an email to sstesol@gmail.com.

If you're the administrator of a school or organization, emailsstesol@gmail.org to request your special code. You will receive special group access for two months.

Questions? Interested in a demo? ESL Library has a friendly team. Reach out to them at hello@esllibrary.com and be sure to mention that you're an SSTESOL member :)

An Upcoming Event: Supporting Local SSTESOL Chapter

Save the Date!

Northeast Florida TESOL will be hosting a

Virtual Roundtable: *Supporting our ELLs in Times of Change*

Featuring
Dr. Andrea DeCapua, Keynote Speaker,
on
Saturday, October 3rd, 2020
10:00am - 12:00pm

Followed by a 30 minute optional social-networking session
12:00-12:30pm

After the keynote presentation, participants will break out into pre-selected interest groups for a roundtable discussion.

Only \$12/Professionals and \$6/Students - includes roundtable registration and NEFTESOL membership through March 2021

Please visit neftesol.org for registration and more information.

A Message from the Board of Directors

Only a few days are left of this unique summer and the Labor Day holiday is fast approaching as the



countdown to the end of summer begins. The Fall semester has begun and most schools have welcomed back students either online or on campus.

In this issue, we spotlight the membership benefits and opportunities available. Uniquely, ESL Library is one of SSTESOL's partners this year. Take advantage of what it offers. Next, don't miss out on the Outstanding TESOL

Educator Award. That could be YOU! Finally, take a special look at a past travel award recipient, Dr. Raydel Hernandez, President of Miami-Dade TESOL. His story is impressive. Follow this link. <https://youtu.be/GnyPvn4fAdk>

We love to support SSTESOL members and our eight local Chapters. We invite all of you to join us in November as we celebrate this special event, the 30 years of the Florida Consent Decree which has changed the way in which services to English learners are delivered.

As always, thank you so much for reading. I appreciate the opportunity to engage with you both in print and virtually. Write to us at sstesol@gmail.com. Follow and like us on Facebook. <https://www.facebook.com/sstesol.florida>

