

## 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL PARAEDUCATOR CONFERENCE: THE RESOURCEFUL PARAPRO

Developing the Highly Qualified & Resourceful Paraeducator

**Friday, May 28, 2010**

8:30AM -3:00PM

Desmond Conference Center, One Liberty Boulevard, Malvern, Pennsylvania

Register at [www.vfes.net](http://www.vfes.net)

### FOR ALL PARAEDUCATORS, ADMINISTRATORS, & TEACHERS

Paraeducators—our most valuable yet underutilized human resource in our educational system—provide essential support to children with disabilities and their teachers. As educational and state systems increasingly demand highly skilled paraprofessionals to provide individualized assistance and services to our struggling youth with exceptionalities, Valley Forge Educational Services ensures paraeducators have the professional training and support to ensure every child achieves.

### JANE HARRIS, SAFE & CIVIL SCHOOLS

Jane Harris, M.Ed. Special Education and Administration, is an expert in the field of developing resourceful paraeducators in behavior management, school-wide interventions and best instructional practices. She has worked in various educational settings: developing EBD student programs, as Principal of two alternative programs, and as a school-based diagnostician and consultant in multiple schools from elementary through high school. As a member of the first Distinguished Educators Group through the Kentucky Leadership Academy, she assisted schools in improving student achievement and training as the Director of Student Achievement in Lexington.



#### Workshop participants receive:

- Breakfast & lunch provided by the award-winning Desmond Restaurant,
- Full-day, morning & afternoon strategies & resources sessions,
- *Parapro: Supporting the Instructional Process*, and
- 6 hours of ACT 48 or in-service

### LEARNERS WILL

- Discuss the roles and responsibilities of the effective classroom paraeducator
- Develop communication skills and identify strategies to build productive teacher-paraeducator teams
- Develop skills and learn strategies for working with “tough kids” in the classroom
- Examine content and practice strategies from Randy Sprick’s book *ParaPro: Supporting the Instructional Process*, published through Safe & Civil Schools

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