

We invite you to join VEFP in Roanoke, VA as we further our commitment to excellence and explore the components of a **World Class** Education in Virginia.

# VEFP Annual Conference

February 21-22, 2011 | Roanoke, VA

Register to attend the 2011 Conference today!

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**New This Year**

## A Complimentary Pre-Conference Session

VEFP invites you to join Jonathan Kozol on Sunday, February 20, 2011 at 7:30 PM as he shares his documentary, *Children in America's Schools*, followed by a fireside chat providing members with a unique opportunity to participate in open dialog with the author. ■

*Featuring*

AWARD WINNING AUTHOR,  
EDUCATOR, AND ADVOCATE FOR  
EDUCATIONAL EQUALITY

**JONATHAN KOZOL**



Jonathan Kozol brought national recognition to the plight of education and learning in America, and specifically the challenges in urban school districts. His published works have received the National Book Award, and many others. Both an author and an activist he is an eloquent spokesperson for the disenfranchised and homeless. Join VEFP as Kozol shares his thoughts, as we explore the future of public education through the rich lens of his experience as an educational reformer. ■

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## ■ Coming of Age: Building Education Facilities for the 21st Century

### FMI

A host of global and U.S. trends are resulting in significant disruption and change in education facility construction. Discover how the 2008 financial crisis, the 2009 economic crisis, and 2010 social crisis are creating both opportunities and challenges for owners and operators of education facilities. Learn five practical solutions to support the implementation of a highly effective capital construction program. Receive a complimentary copy of FMI/CMAA 11th Annual Survey of Owners titled "Rising From The Ashes of Recent Economic Woes."

## ■ New Directions in School Finance

### Current Trends in School Financing

#### MCGUIRE WOODS

As population growth tests your schools' capacity limits, you must answer a pressing question: Build now to meet demand, or wait for state funding? Thanks to innovative and proven finance options, you can improve or add to educational facilities when and where they are most needed. Learn about current trends in school financing, qualified school construction bonds, and recovery of local costs.

**In this era of shrinking state and local funding for education, pursuing federal funding opportunities for improving Virginia's schools may be one option...**

#### UNITED STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

**Carrie Schmidt**, Community Programs Director of the Virginia State office for the United States Department of Agriculture will present and discuss federal tax credits to support funding opportunities from the USDA to rural Virginia communities. These programs are committed to the future of rural communities.

### School Consolidations in Virginia

#### STAUNTON CITY SCHOOLS

As a part of VEFPP' look into new directions in school finance, **Dr. R Steven Nichols**, Superintendent of Schools for Staunton City Schools, will share his experience in addressing school consolidation in this dynamic climate. Dr. Nichols will highlight the challenges and the opportunities that come from such a move - dealing with the facilities aspects, but also the community and parent outreach that goes along with this effort.

## ■ How can Technology Enhance Learning within the Classroom?

### Presented by Author and Professor Lynne Schrum

A look into Virginia's most recent initiatives - Learning without Boundaries, and Virtual Learning. Discussions will include what impact these initiatives have on education and Virginia school facilities.

## Sunday, February 20

### Pre-Conference Workshop

*Children in American Schools, Movie and Fireside Chat with Jonathan Kozol*

## Monday, February 21

### Plenary Presentation – Jonathan Kozol

### National Economic Outlook & Forecasting

### Current Trends In School Financing

### Pursuing Federal Funding Opportunities

### School Consolidations in Virginia

## Tuesday, February 22

### Student Design Competition

### How can Technology Enhance Learning within the Classroom?

### Breakout Sessions

- Technology: Now that you have it, what do you do with it?
- Musings On The Implications of Technology For Schools
- Designing World Class Spaces for the Performing Arts: How Partnerships between School Districts and the Local Arts Can Benefit Design for Arts Education
- 15 Things to Consider for 21st Century Learning Environments, Learner-Centered Schools
- Harvie Elementary School 2010/Explore the design elements that resulted in this award winning school
- IEQ in Schools
- Energy & High Performance Schools: History, Case Studies, and Future Legal Issues
- Student Forecasts: Virginia School Divisions
- Washington and Lee 2010/Explore the design elements that resulted in this Gold LEED certified award winning school

### Round Tables

- Best Practices in Building Information Modeling
- What is the Value Add of Pre-Construction Services?

### Awards Luncheon

## SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR EDUCATORS

The Annual VEFPP Conference in Roanoke provides valuable information on the design, finance and construction of new and modernized school facilities. VEFPP endeavors to offer practical, theoretical, and stimulating information on the whole process of designing and constructing new and modernized schools. VEFPP wants to offer school personnel a quality knowledge base and to inspire their enthusiasm for the process.

VEFP is offering scholarships to school division personnel who attend the 2011 VEFPP Annual Conference in Roanoke. These scholarships are intended to cover the majority of the cost of conference registration for school division personnel and two (2) nights lodging at the Hotel Roanoke. The scholarships will be funded by a portion of all funds generously offered by 2011 Conference sponsors. The VEFPP Board of Directors will select scholarship recipients from all areas of the state. Only one scholarship per division will be awarded.

To request a scholarship, please complete the online scholarship application located at <http://www.vefp.org/conference/scholarship.php>.