

# ATTENTION SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVOCATES IN VIRGINIA!

**MAY 10-11**  
Stonewall Jackson Hotel  
24 South Market Street  
Staunton, VA

You are formally invited to participate in a Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) and Parent Educational Advocacy Training Center (PEATC) co-sponsored **FREE** symposium for those involved in special education advocacy in Virginia.

## **APPLICATION DEADLINE: C.O.B. ON APRIL 22, 2016**

The symposium will begin with registration on May 10th at 9 am. Program activities begin promptly at 10 am. The symposium will end on May 11th at 4:30 pm.

To submit your application for the 2016 Advocacy Symposium, please complete the application at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NMW5L9N>

### **PLEASE NOTE:** SEATING WILL BE LIMITED

- You will be notified about your application status **NO LATER THAN** April 27, 2016.
- You **MUST** receive a confirmation to attend this event
- You must commit to participating in the entire symposium
- Contact PEATC 800-869-6782 or [partners@peatc.org](mailto:partners@peatc.org) (please do not contact the hotel or VDOE directly) with any questions or cancellations

## *This year's* **GUEST SPEAKERS** *and* **TOPICS** *include:*

### **“Legal Updates on IEP/FAPE Issues” and “The Impact of ESSA (IEP and FAPE issues) Other Legal Issues and Trends”**

*Art Cernosia, Attorney and Education Consultant from Williston, Vermont*

### **“Creating Agreement”**

*Diane Autin, Executive Co-Director of the Statewide Parent Advocacy Network (SPAN)*

### **“COPAA Voluntary Code of Ethics for Advocates and Implications for Practice”**

*Denise Stile Marshall, Executive Director of the Council of Parent Attorneys and Advocates, Inc. (COPAA)*

### **“Collaborative Advocacy and Effective Communication”**

*Crystal Shin, Clinical Assistant Professor of Law and the Managing Attorney of William and Mary's Special Education Advocacy Clinic*

