

Winter 2022 Edition

South Carolina Association of Early Care & Education NEWSLETTER

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Welcome Message

We are off to a wonderful start of the 2021-2022 year!

This year our focus will be on the following five areas:

1. Communication—We want to reinstate our quarterly newsletter, and provide you critical information as soon as it is available.
2. Grow Membership—We need YOUR HELP. Let us know of any center we can reach out to join.
3. Membership Benefits—We are working to establish benefits not only to owners and directors but also to teachers. Make sure to stay connected. Send us your email to be added to a distribution list.
4. Legislative—The SCAECE lobbyist continues to work hard on our behalf. Look for Legislative Updates in 2020 via email.
5. Marketing—SCAECE continues to promote statewide. Join us by volunteering.

SCAECE joined NCCA. Which means you are a member of NCCA Benefits include :

Advocacy and Lobbying

Networking & Professional Development

Discounted Services

Full List of Benefits at <https://nationalchildcare.org/ncca-benefits/>





2022 Annual Conference



Keynote Speaker

**Ron Shuali M.
ED**

Presenting

**YOGARATE®
PRONOUNCED
YOGA-RAH-TAY)**

Ron Shuali, M.Ed has spent over 15 years working and presenting in the education marketplace. He is a best selling author of his award winning book "Breaking the Bullying Circle" and the book based on his successful behavior management system "Building the 21st Century Child", top motivational speaker and presenter with expertise in the preschool through middle school arena. Ron presents keynote addresses, continuing professional development workshops and school assemblies in schools and conferences nationally and locally. His ability to awaken the minds of students and schools expands into the corporate world as well. All participants laugh, listen and learn to succeed.

Ron has been a student of many disciplines of martial arts starting at age 12. His journey began with five years of Tae Kwon Do before college.

While attending Rutgers University, he studied Wu Shu Kung Fu. After graduating, Ron earned his Black Belt in American Freestyle Karate and began studying the more internal martial art of Hung Gar Kung Fu. Finally, he added the study of Isshinryu Karate. At age 25 Ron began his journey in Yoga and enrolled in his first level one Reiki training. He realized that the common denominator in every art he studied was breathing; each style had its own way to "breathe". The combination of hard martial arts, like Kung Fu and Karate, blended with the soft martial arts of yoga and Reiki became Yogarate with Ron as the first Yensei (Yogi/Sensei).

Currently, Ron and his team teach Yogarate in over 50 schools within the tri-state area including the true future leaders of the planet at the preschool at the United Nations.

SATURDAY

February 26, 2022

6 Training Hours

Keynote Speaker

8:30am – 9:30am

Breakouts

9:45am – 11:45am

12:00pm – 2:00pm

Blood Borne Pathogens

2:15pm – 3:15pm

Where:

Virtual via Zoom

**Registration is
required!**

For more information visit

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SCAECE Legislative Update



Bringing you the latest news on the Senator's work in the early childhood, K-12, and higher education space.

Senator Scott Hosts a Roundtable Discussion on Childcare

On Wednesday, December 1st, Senator Scott and Senator Richard Burr (R-N.C.) convened a roundtable discussion with Senators Ernst (R-IA), Collins (R-ME), and Romney (R-UT) and childcare providers from across the country to hear their concerns about the negative impact of the childcare provisions in the Democrat's "Build Back Better" bill. Specifically, the roundtable focused on how the legislation would reduce childcare options for families, drive up costs, and harm faith-based and small providers. The group also discussed a path forward based on bipartisan solutions that benefit families and childcare provided. Senator Scott was pleased to host three providers from South Carolina.



Tricia Sheldon of West Columbia

Senator Scott was joined by **Tricia Sheldon** of West Columbia, South Carolina. Ms. Sheldon is the Chair of the



Governor's Advisory Committee for Childcare Regulations and is also a childcare provider. She discussed constructive ways to fill the gaps in the childcare community and how to best support families to ensure that the industry is equipped to meet the needs of children and families.

HBCU Fly-In

As the Senate Co-Chair of the bipartisan, bicameral HBCU Caucus, Senator Scott hosts a yearly HBCU Fly-In to celebrate America's more than 100 Historically Black Colleges and Universities. The 6th annual HBCU Fly-In will take place on **February 16, 2022**, but it's not too early to start planning!

o If you or anyone you know has ideas for this event, or would like to be involved in the planning or programming, please do not hesitate to reach

out to me.

Take a look at the awesome programming from the [5th annual Fly-In](#).

Champions of Mixed Delivery Toolkits

Advocacy starts now to push for language in the bill to improve the operating environment for providers. [Here is the link to the advocacy toolkit](#), and attached is our template letter. Please adapt as you see fit.

Build Back Better Act Subtitle D—Child Care and Universal Pre-Kindergarten

Sec. 23001. Birth Through Five Child Care and Early Learning Entitlement.

**BUILD BACK
BETTER**

Meet Your 2021-2022 Board of Directors

Officers

President	Vice President	Secretary	Treasurer	Past President
Tami Nix <i>Archway Academy</i>	Carolyn Watt <i>Small World of Easley</i>	Margaret-Anne Gaffney <i>Anne Pitts CDC</i>	Nancy Prior <i>Chapin Children's Center</i>	Tricia Sheldon <i>La Petite Academy</i>

Board of Directors

Allison Cawley <i>Small World of Easley</i>	Marsha Davis <i>Amazing Creations</i>	Shannon Erickson <i>Hobbit Hill Too</i>
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Lobbyist Fund

Goal: \$5,000

Progress: \$50

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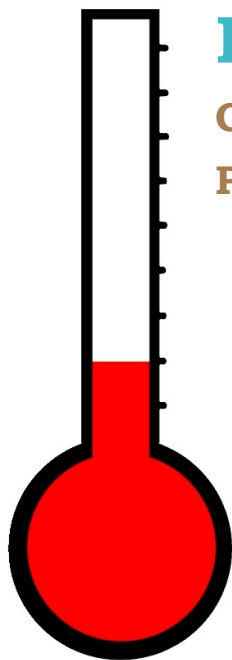


Ask The Board

Do you have a question, concern, or suggestion that the Board of Directors can help you with?

We want to hear from you!

Go to www.scaece.com and click on "Ask The Board".

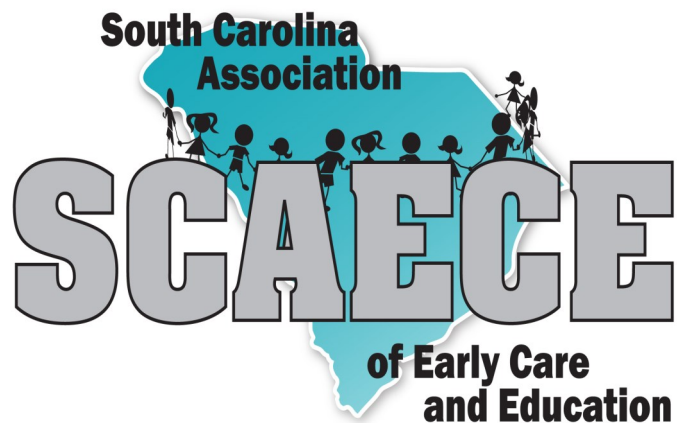


Thanks to our 2021-2022 Associate Members

FCI Agency	The Bancorp Bank	First Casualty Insurance Group
Interstate Transportation Equipment	Kaplan Early Learning Company	Lakeshore Learning
SC First Steps 4K	School Investment Properties, Inc.	No one should teach who is not in love with teaching." Margaret Elizabeth Sangster

Mission Statement

The South Carolina Association of Early Care and Education is a team of professionals who join together to promote **licensed**, privately-owned child care and early education opportunities for the children of our state. We have members (individuals, large and small centers, and schools) in every county. We represent our membership at all state-level legislative functions by employing a professional lobbyist and having a dedicated, hard-working Board of Directors. We have members on many committees in South Carolina which deal with early childhood issues such as the South Carolina Child Care Advisory Board, state & county *First Steps Boards*, and the *First Steps/United Way Quality Task Force*.



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