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This is a request for permission and funding to attend the Virginia Head Start Association's 17th Annual Conference in Harrisonburg, Virginia, October 22-24, 2024.

Here is why I am interested in attending, and why I believe it will be valuable to both our program and to my own professional development:

- The theme for 2024: "Building Bridges: Head Start's Two-Generation Approach to Family Empowerment". This theme emphasizes Head Start's holistic approach, which focuses on supporting both children and their families. The metaphor of "building bridges" suggests a connection and collaboration between different aspects of the program, including education, health, and social services, to empower families.
- Excellent opportunity for head start staff from all service areas to connect with their Head Start colleagues from around the state to gain insight, learn from practitioners, researchers, and keep that spark in your heart with motivational speakers.
- All sessions were selected and reviewed by professionals in the Head Start and Early Head Start community. You can see workshop titles and descriptions; presenters and their Bios HERE.
- This will be a unique opportunity for me to network on behalf of our program and bring home meaningful insights and success stories from Head Start and Early Head Start centers.

Here is a breakdown of what it would cost for me to attend: Conference Registration Fee is \$450.00/person. 2 Meals will be provided. Hotel Rate \$/per night: \$107

*Taxes + additional fees not included.

Per Diem: \$

Transportation: \$



TOTAL: \$

Thank you in advance for considering my request. I look forward to hearing your thoughts.

Sincerely,