

**\*What is a Shining Star School?**

SB65 Comprehensive Student Support schools that scored well in this year's annual peer review of their application and showed significant gains in academic improvement by meeting their API and AYP targets were designated Shining Stars. These schools will be presenting throughout the conference so that you can hear firsthand how they achieved their outstanding results.

**This conference** was created for educators who are dedicated to helping at-risk students achieve success. Topics and sessions are reviewed and selected by professionals who are currently in the field working with at-risk youth. We strive to provide a conference that gives participants the strength-based strategies and skills they need to inspire at-risk students to stay in school and graduate. All sessions and topics work together to help transform schools into caring communities for all students, from kindergarten to high school.

*Conference sessions include the following topics:*

- *Family and Community Collaboration*
- *Instructional Strategies*
- *Safety and Violence Prevention*
- *Best Practices, featuring Shining Star Schools\**
- *Engaging At-Risk Students*
- *Comprehensive Student Support Strategies*
- *Sessions for Foster Youth Coordinators*
- *Sessions for CASCWA members*
- *Sessions for grades K-12*

This year the Southern Section of CASCWA (California Association of Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance) and Foster Youth Services Coordinators will join the Ready to Learn Conference. Both organizations will have sessions that focus on their particular areas of interest. Because topic relevancy overlaps, all sessions will be open to all participants.

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*Hosted by EduAlliance Network In Partnership with the Southern Section of CASCWA, the California Department of Education: Foster Youth Services and Learning Support & Partner Division.*

*Sponsored by: National University and CASCWA Southern Section*

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Helping Students Survive & Thrive

**Featuring**

Keynote & Session by  
**Ruby Payne, Ph.D., aha!**  
Process, Inc.  
*A Framework for Understanding Poverty*



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**October 19–22, 2008**  
**Town & Country Resort,**  
**San Diego, CA**





**Victor La Cerva, M.D.**  
Taking Care of Yourself AND Your Students



**Cristal McGill**  
Increasing Your Odds with Reluctant Learners



**Ernest Mendes**  
Managing the Oppositional Defiant Student

## keynote speakers

- Ruby Payne, Ph.D., aha! Process, Inc.
- Tim Burns, Educator & Author, Educare
- Scott Charles, Trauma Outreach Coordinator, Temple University Hospital, Philadelphia, PA
- Lois Baer, Deputy District Attorney, Truancy Program Director, with the Office of the District Attorney, County of Santa Clara

## host & organizer

EduAlliance Network (EAN) is a California 501(c)(3) nonprofit that disseminates information about model educational programs through publications, conferences, technical assistance, and training. EAN fosters educational environments in which students learn better through the synergy of high expectations and support. EAN schools and communities collaborate to make sure resources are available and sustained; caring is modeled and taught; and students feel safe and encouraged to achieve.

## partners

- The Southern Section of CASCWA (California Association of Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance)
- California Department of Education: Foster Youth Services and Learning Support & Partner Division

## sponsors

National University, CASCWA Southern Section

**\*The Comprehensive Student Support program** focuses on school program elements that have been implemented over the past 21 years in California schools. These program elements transform school culture and climate, having a wide range of benefits including dropout prevention.

### Sunday, October 19

- 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.**
  - CSS (Comprehensive Student Support) Training\* for new principals & outreach consultants
  - RTI (Response to Intervention) & (SST) Student Success Team Training
  - ELL (English Language Learners) Session
  - Closing the Achievement Gap Session

### 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Opening CASCWA Reception & Keynote

*Gone with the Wind: A Missed Day of School can Never Be Replaced. Truancy, Mediation and Prosecution.*  
Lois Baer, Deputy District Attorney, Truancy Program Director, with the Office of the District Attorney, County of Santa Clara  
Hosted by CASCWA (all attendees are invited to attend).

### Monday, October 20—Conference Begins

- 7:45 – 9:30 a.m.** *Breakfast & Keynote*  
Ruby Payne, Ph.D., aha! Process, Inc.
- 9:45 – 11:00 a.m.** *Session A*
- 11:00 – 11:30 a.m.** *Visit Exhibitors*
- 11:30 – 12:30 p.m.** *Lunch—on your own*
- 12:30 – 1:45 p.m.** *Session B*
- 12:30 – 3:15 p.m.** *Session BC*
- 2:00 – 3:15 p.m.** *Session C*
- 3:15 – 4:15 p.m.** *Visit Exhibitors*
- 4:15 – 5:15 p.m.** *Team Meeting\*\**

### Tuesday, October 21

- 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.** *Coffee with Exhibitors*
- 9:30 – 10:45 a.m.** *Session D*
- 11:00 – 1:15 p.m.** *Lunch Keynote*  
Tim Burns, Author & Educator, Educare, New Mexico AND Shining Star Awards
- 1:15 – 2:30 p.m.** *Session E*
- 1:15 – 4:00 p.m.** *Session EF*
- 2:45 – 4:00 p.m.** *Session F*
- 4:00 – 4:30 p.m.** *Visit Exhibitors*
- 4:30 – 5:00 p.m.** *Team Meeting\*\**  
*Team Night Out*

### Wednesday, October 22

- 8:00 – 9:45 a.m.** *Breakfast & Keynote*  
Scott Charles, Trauma Outreach Coordinator, Temple University Hospital, Philadelphia, PA
- 9:45 – 11:00 a.m.** *Session G*

**\*\* Teams:** This conference is designed as a team event for your school. We highly recommend sending your outreach consultant, principal, student support staff, attendance specialist, teacher(s), and a parent from your School Site Council. Team participation ensures maximum school success!

## registration

**Preconference:** Sunday, October 19, 2008

**Conference:** Monday, October 20, to Wednesday, October 22, 2008

	Date	Fee
Preconference	October 19	\$95
Conference	October 20–22	\$300

**Registration Deadline:** September 19, 2008  
\*Registration fees are due in full prior to attendance at the conference. POs accepted.  
\*Online registrations must be paid by credit card and receive a \$10 discount.

**Conference Sessions**  
All session information will be available online ([www.edualliance.org](http://www.edualliance.org)) in late June.

**Meals**  
The conference registration fee includes all sessions, materials, Monday breakfast, Tuesday lunch, and Wednesday breakfast.

**Volunteers**  
We are always looking for room-host volunteers. If you would like to handout session evaluation forms and assist a speaker during a session you have selected, please check the appropriate box on your conference registration form. You will only be signed up to host sessions you are already attending.

**Online Updates**  
Visit our website at [www.edualliance.org](http://www.edualliance.org) for updates.

## travel

**By Air**  
San Diego International Airport  
619-400-2400  
*Drive Time:* 20 minutes  
*Distance:* 13 miles  
*Super Shuttle:* \$12 per person/one way  
*Taxi or Van:* \$25 per car or van load/one way

**Travel Discounts**  
Avis offers a discount on car rental rates. Call 800-331-1600 and mention AWD# J099237 to receive a 5% – 10% discount on any rental. \*There is an Avis rental facility located at the Town & Country Resort for your convenience.

**University Credit:**  
You may receive a semester unit from Fresno Pacific for attending the conference. More information will be available at the conference.



## hotel

**Where**  
The conference will be held at the Town & Country Resort in San Diego, CA.  
*All sessions will take place at the hotel.*

**Address**  
Town & Country Resort  
500 Hotel Circle North  
San Diego, CA 92108  
1-800-772-8527

**Room Rate**  
The Ready to Learn room rate is \$145 single or double, plus tax. In order to receive the special conference rate, you must make your reservation by September 30, 2008. Ask for the Ready to Learn Conference rate. \*All reservations must be accompanied by one night's room deposit paid with a major credit card, check or purchase order.

**Hotel Parking**  
Hotel parking is \$10 per day for registered guests of the Town & Country Resort.  
\*For non-registered hotel guests, parking is \$3 for the first hour, \$2 per hour thereafter, not to exceed \$16 per day.

**Make your reservations early!**  
The hotel may sell out of available rooms before the deadline so make your reservations early!

**Questions:**  
Conference registration questions may be addressed to EduAlliance Network, 831-425-0299 or [admin@edualliance.org](mailto:admin@edualliance.org). You may print out additional registration forms and conference materials online at [www.edualliance.org](http://www.edualliance.org).

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(note: a larger version of this form may be found online at [www.edualliance.org](http://www.edualliance.org))

School/Organization \_\_\_\_\_  
School District \_\_\_\_\_  
School Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
School Grades \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Tel (day) \_\_\_\_\_ Tel (eve) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

PRECONFERENCE: OCTOBER 19, 2008  
\_\_\_\_\_ # of team members attending @ \$95 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CONFERENCE: OCTOBER 20–22, 2008  
\_\_\_\_\_ # of team members attending @ \$300 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

FORM OF PAYMENT  Check enclosed, made payable to EduAlliance Network  P.O. Copy Attached  MasterCard/Visa

Cardholder Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Required \_\_\_\_\_  
Credit Card# \_\_\_\_\_  
Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ 3 Digit CDV Code on back of Card \_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteer!**  
Every year volunteers are the heart and soul of the conference. If you would like to assist a speaker during their session, sign up below. You will only be assigned to a session you have requested.

Team Member's Name and Title (As it will appear on badge) PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY	PreCon \$95 ea.	Veg. Meals	Volunteer (Thank You!)
Name _____ Title _____ Email _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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