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TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: James F. Lane, Ed.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUPT'S EMAIL: Virginia EL Supervisors' Association 2020 Annual Conference

The Virginia EL Supervisors' Association (VESA) is proud to announce the VESA 2020 Annual Conference. This year's conference theme is *Equity for Diverse Learners*. The conference will feature sessions related to best practices in working with English Learners (ELs). Topics will include removing barriers to equity and ensuring that ELs have full and equal access to the same curriculum and educational opportunities as all students.

The conference will be held on Thursday, January 30, 2020, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., and Friday, January 31, 2020, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Renaissance Portsmouth-Norfolk Waterfront Hotel located at 425 Water Street in Portsmouth, Virginia.

Divisions are encouraged to submit proposals related to the education of ELs. Proposal information can be found on the [2020 VESA Conference Presentation Proposal webpage](#).

Online registration for the conference is available at <http://www.vesava.org/shop>. The registration fee includes a light reception on Thursday evening, January 30, 2020, and breakfast and lunch on Friday, January 31, 2020. Registration closes on January 10, 2020.

Questions or requests for additional information should be submitted by email to vesaconferencecoordinator@gmail.com.