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Dear Colleague,

On behalf of the 2010 Conference Planning Committee and our President, Dr. Fino Celano, we are pleased to announce the 45th Annual Conference of the New York State Association of School Personnel Administrators at the Otesaga Hotel in Cooperstown, NY beginning Sunday, October 17th and concluding on Wednesday, October 20th, 2010.

With the guidance of your feedback from last year's conference you will find that the 2010 conference brochure includes sessions pertinent to your important work as School Personnel Administrator or as an administrator whose responsibilities include aspects of personnel/Human Resource administration. The program has been designed to meet the range of needs from professionals who are new to the job to those who are seasoned experts. The workshop topics and presentations for the 2010 Conference have been designed to assist all school personnel administrators to deal with the unique challenges found in our current climate of economic uncertainty.

Once again this year we will offer two Pre-Conference sessions: the New Personnel Administrators Academy Part 1 and the Statewide BOCES Roundtable. If you are new to the field of Personnel Administration, the Academy is something you won't want to miss! Veterans of the field are also encouraged to attend and share their experiences.

This conference packet contains all of the forms necessary for conference registration. These materials will also be available on our website as well at www.nysaspa.org. All completed forms, **except for the hotel reservation form**, are to be returned to our Treasurer, William Domm, at the address indicated on the forms by **September 17, 2010**. **The blue hotel reservation form is to be returned directly to the Otesaga Hotel. Please be aware that the hotel deadline for reservations is Thursday September 2, 2010.** Be sure to include your tax-exempt certificate along with your hotel reservation and follow up with the hotel to be sure your reservation is secure. Although we have again booked the entire hotel, there will be additional rooms available at the Cooper Inn.

If you have questions about the conference or the accommodations, please contact either Fino Celano at 516-478-1020 (celanof@gcufsd.net) or me at 716-677-3127 (pwhelan@westseneca.wnyric.org). If you know of an individual who may not currently be a member of our association and who meets the membership criteria as outlined in the enclosed by-laws, Article III, and would benefit from the conference, please refer them to our website to download the conference registration forms.

I look forward to seeing you all again at the 45th annual conference!

Best wishes,

Patrick M. Phelan, Ed.D.
President-Elect and 2010 Conference Chair