

Dear _____,

The 2024 Early Connections Conference, presented by Perkins School for the Blind, is a historic event that brings together families, educators and professionals with young children or students who are blind, deafblind, or low-vision, including those with multiple complex disabilities, to share knowledge, gain insights, and connect. I would like to attend this event in Watertown, MA, on April 27, 2024, from 8:00am to 4:30pm, to learn and provide the best education for my students.

At Early Connections, I will have the opportunity to delve into a wealth of resources and meet experts uniquely equipped to address the specific needs of children with disabilities. This conference offers a supportive environment where I can share my experience as an educator, establish professional connections, and uncover new practices to use in the classroom.

There will be a total of 10 sessions on such topics as IEP development, inclusive learning and structured literacy for students with visual impairments and other disabilities. The keynote speaker is Robbin Clarke, who is the Curriculum & Instruction Specialist at the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind and specializes in the Expanded Core Curriculum. Breakout sessions will be selected according to how closely the topics represent our students' needs.

Convention Costs:

- Conference Registration: \$50 (\$40 before March 1, 2024, \$35 virtual)
- Travel:
- Lodging:
- Food:

Total estimated conference cost:

Following the conference, I intend on sharing my learnings with our teachers and other educational staff. My attendance will be a strong professional development opportunity for both me and the educators around me.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Sincerely,
