Dear VAFEPA Members and Colleagues,

As the vibrant colors of fall begin to blanket Virginia, I'm reminded of the season's invitation to reflect, reset, and re-engage. In our work as federal education program administrators, this time of year offers a powerful opportunity to recommit to our shared mission of service, collaboration, and accountability.

Across the Commonwealth, your efforts continue to uplift students and communities. Whether navigating compliance, supporting Title programs, or leading innovative initiatives, your dedication is the heartbeat of equitable education. VAFEPA is proud to stand beside you, offering connection, advocacy, and professional learning.

This fall, I'm excited to highlight two exceptional opportunities for growth and engagement:

🐬 Bruman EDGAR Academy - Richmond, VA

Hosted by NAFEPA and presented by The Bruman Group, this **in-person**, **full-day workshop** will take place in Richmond and is designed to deepen your understanding of **EDGAR** and **Uniform Grants Guidance (UGG)**. Attendees will receive the **6th Edition of Bruman's Administrator's Handbook on EDGAR** and participate in interactive sessions on cost principles, audit requirements, and best practices for federal fund compliance.

NAFEPA members receive a 10% discount.

Learn more and register here [EDGAR Acad...s - NAFEPA]

2026 NAFEPA Conference - Washington, DC

Dates:

• **Pre-Conference Sessions**: March 15, 2026

● Main Conference: March 16–18, 2026

P Location: Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, DC

Theme: "Re-envisioning Opportunities for All"

S Opening Keynote Speaker:

Dr. Karen Mapp – Senior Lecturer at the Harvard Graduate School of Education, renowned author, and expert in family engagement.

This annual event brings together hundreds of federal education program administrators from across the country. It offers:

- Federal updates from national experts
- Sessions led by local, state and national federal administrators
- Networking with peers and policymakers
- Exhibitor and sponsor opportunities