

Appendix D: Past State-Level Conference Data

Focus on Inclusion 2015 – 2022

Year	Participants	Dates
2015	411	March 12-13
2016	495	February 23-24
2017	636	February 21-22
2018	699	February 1-2
2019	563	March 11-12
2020	609	January 30-31
2021	2889	February 1-5 (Virtual)
2022	278	February 2-3

The Overall Average Rating from 2015-2022 was 4.7 on a 5-point scale.

Selected Evaluation Comments

2019

- This conference is the best professional learning opportunity in the state. We are so lucky to have you all! Thank you for bringing us the very best!
- This is the first year I was able to attend. I am beyond excited to get back to my classroom and implement the strategies and tools I have learned.
- I really appreciate that the sessions I attended gave me practical techniques that I can apply in my classroom right away
- The conference was super informational and gave us IUK students a great opportunity to grow as a future teacher. All of the speakers I got to sit in on were super interactive and made me want to listen to more

2020

- Love how relevant the sessions were to the current shifts in education today
- Excellent! I have never attended a FOI conference and I am so impressed
- This has been an amazing two days. Everything has been powerful and I am fired up to get back to my 2nd graders
- Showed me how general education teachers and special education teachers can work together more efficiently to best support students with disabilities succeed and grow
- Thank you so much for this opportunity. This conference is the most beneficial one I've attended
- Realized some serious changes need to take place with our Special Ed program due to things we learned here – glad to know

2021

- I had several of my schools within the five districts participate. Many of them said that it was the best conference that they have attended. They want to attend next year.
- What an incredible conference!! I have already wanted to go back and watch multiple sessions because they are so wonderful
- I felt like I got so much out of this conference. It not only gave me tools and strategies to use in the classroom but also much needed perspective
- I have attended multiple National Conferences in several areas. This is by far my favorite conference and provides so much valuable resources with immediate implementation

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2022

- Thank you for organizing and providing this opportunity to the educators in IN. My district always looks forward to this conference
- Always wonderful to learn about new information and how to apply it to my room/school. Bringing back information to share with my colleagues is always a plus
- This conference was an amazing learning experience for our district team. We are looking forward to attending next year
- As always FOI was superb
- I love this conference. Well organized, relevant to my daily teaching needs, speakers are lively and engaging