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The Mid-Western Educational Research Association's 33rd Annual Meeting October 13–16, 2010

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The Westin Great Southern Hotel
Columbus, Ohio

*Advancing Educational Policy and Decision-Making
through Research and Assessment*



The 2010 Annual Meeting of the *Mid-Western Educational Research Association* will be held in Columbus, Ohio with an exciting program of invited speakers, focused workshops, and peer-reviewed papers presented in a variety of session formats. We will kick off the program with our traditional Fireside Chat with **Dr. James H. McMillan**, Professor and Chair of the Department of Foundations at Virginia Commonwealth University and Director of the Metropolitan Educational Research Consortium, who will also be giving our keynote address on Thursday. Our Friday luncheon speaker is **Dr. Michael J. Feuer**, Executive Director of the Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education at the National Research Council (NRC) of the National Academies in Washington, DC. We are very fortunate to have two such outstanding individuals giving our invited addresses. Teachers, administrators, and other school personnel are invited to come and share their work and experiences within this theme, as well as other topics, at the 2010 MWERA conference. Educational researchers across North America will once again return to MWERA to renew acquaintances, make new contacts, and engage in exciting conversation in a collegial atmosphere.

Come and be a part of MWERA 2010 in Columbus!

Conference and hotel registration information and forms are available at the MWERA web site:

<http://www.mwera.org>

Thursday Morning Keynote Address

Featured Speaker
Dr. James H. McMillan



Dr. James H. McMillan is Professor and Department Chair of the Department of Foundations of Education at Virginia Commonwealth University, and Director of the Metropolitan Educational Research Consortium (MERC). MERC is a 20 year partnership between eight Richmond area public school divisions and Virginia Commonwealth University that conducts applied research and evaluation projects. Dr. McMillan is also Track Coordinator for the Research and Evaluation Track of the Ph.D. in education. He obtained his masters degree from Michigan State University in 1972 and his doctorate from Northwestern University in 1976. Dr. McMillan has published several editions of three research methods textbooks and two assessment textbooks, in addition to over 60 journal articles, and has made numerous national and state presentations. He has chaired the AERA Classroom Assessment and Professors of Educational Research Special Interest Groups. His current research interests include classroom assessment, benchmark testing, and the impact of high-stakes testing on schools and students.

Friday Luncheon Keynote Address

Featured Speaker

Dr. Michael J. Feuer



Dr. Michael J. Feuer is the executive director of the Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education at the National Research Council (NRC) of the National Academies. He has been at the NRC since 1993, first as the director of the Board on Testing and Assessment and then as the founding director of the Center for Education. Prior to joining the NRC Feuer was senior analyst and project director at the Office of Technology Assessment of the United States Congress. He received a BA in English literature from Queens College of the City University of New York, an MA in public management from the Wharton School, and the PhD in public policy analysis from the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Feuer has lived in Israel and France, and studied at the Hebrew University and the Sorbonne. Upon completing his doctorate he taught graduate seminars at Penn and then joined the faculty of Drexel University, where he taught courses in organization theory, labor economics, and public policy. He has published in numerous academic journals on human capital theory, manpower planning, psychological testing, philosophy of education policy and research, and democratic education; and he has had many reviews in newspapers and magazines in Washington, Philadelphia, and New York. His current special interests are evidentiary standards in education research and theories of rationality applied to education policy and education research. Dr. Feuer's most recent book is *Moderating the Debate: Rationality and the Promise of American Education*, published by Harvard Education Press in 2006.



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