

2026 FSPMA Conference Session Guide

September 28 – October 1, 2026

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Breakfast: *Seminole Lobby | 7:45–9:00 AM*

General Session and FSPMA Door Prizes: *Seminole A/B/C – 8:30–9:00 AM*

Lunch on Your Own: *12:00–1:00 PM*

Evening Reception: *4:00–6:30 PM*

GOLD COAST I

Maintaining Building Envelope Integrity

Gold Coast I | 9:00–10:00 AM

Class Information: In today's intricate K-12 landscape, the completion of a project goes far beyond simply handing over the keys. It is vital to understand the full extent of the entire exterior building envelope and issues that can precipitate failures to prevent them.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understanding the six sides of the building envelope.
2. Explanation of the building envelope: systems or components?
3. Understanding the usual suspects that cause envelopes to fail.
4. Discuss Building Enclosure Commissioning and how it can benefit your facility and help prevent failures.

Speaker: Kristophor C. Linster, P.E., RRO, LEED AP — Tremco

Kristophor Linster is a building envelope engineer with Tremco CPG and the Founder of the Building Enclosure Council of Jacksonville. Mr. Linster practices in the areas of specifying, bidding, project administration of various building enclosure and waterproofing projects including project submittal review, documenting and trouble-shooting field conditions, WUFI hygrothermal software modeling, and product research. Additional responsibilities include construction monitoring and commissioning observation and reporting, as well as overseeing water penetration and air infiltration testing projects.

I. Pests of Kitchens and Dumpsters

II: Pests of Classrooms

Gold Coast I | 10:00 AM–12:00 PM

Class Information: Pests and Kitchen Dumpsters: Inspections are done by area, not for a single pest. In this session, we cover the pests that can be encountered in kitchens and dumpsters, including cockroaches, rats, and filth flies. Hear why facilities maintenance is key to sustainable management of these pests.

Pests of classrooms: Classrooms are bustling centers of creativity with all the pest conducive conditions that go with it! In this session, we cover common pests of classrooms including ants, common stored product pests, psocids, and mice (although there are many more)!

Speaker: Dr. Faith Oi — University of Florida: Pest Management University

Dr. Oi is the Director of Pest Management University. It is an academy that provides state-of-the-art education and hands-on training for the industry. She works at a "grassroots-level" and does applied research to solve industry problems. She has published, and been referred to in, technical journal articles. She led the development of 10 multi-day curricula in structural pest management and has given over 350 presentations. She offers a graduate seminar titled Issues in Pest Management. She received her Ph.D. from the University of Florida and her M.S. and B.A. degrees from the University of Hawaii, Manoa.

Understanding Insecticides & Public Health Pests

Gold Coast I | 1:00–3:00 PM

Class Information: Understanding Insecticides is general information on the issues these pest cause, control/inspection methods, and how to reduce the spread in your school/classroom. Pests and Public Health covers transmission of diseases from mosquitoes, fleas, ticks, kissing bugs, large and small flies, cockroaches, bedbugs, ants, spiders, mites, scorpions, rodents, birds, bats and how to prevent transmission of these diseases.

Speaker: Chris Iglesias

Chris Iglesias has 20 years of experience starting as a technician treating residential, commercial and F&B establishments. Technical Manager, creating treatment protocols, guidelines, meetings and training new hires. As an Office Manager handling accounts receivable & payable, customer retention, customer renewals, scheduling and routing. Served as an Owner Operator of a wildlife removal company for 7 years. Certified in GHP, LNO and WDO

JF182193; A.C.E A21485. He plans on pursuing his P.H.E. and becoming a certified entomologist.

AI Technology Advances in Facility Management: Best Practices, Insights, & Trends for Integrating AI into FM

Gold Coast I | 3:00–4:00 PM

Class Information: You have played around with Chat GPT, but can AI help you manage your facilities? Do you have challenges managing the procurement, maintenance, and longevity of facility assets such as buildings, HVAC, plumbing, roofing, and more? Discover how Ogden School District is integrating Artificial Intelligence (AI) along with the five best practices for modern facility and asset management to tackle these challenges. Learn how to optimize asset uptime, reduce downtime costs, and shift from reactive maintenance to proactive maintenance strategies using data and AI. This presentation will cover emerging trends in AI, essential data principles, and actionable insights to maximize efficiency and fiscal responsibility.

Speakers: Ken Crawford & Mikel Chertudi — Moat Systems

Ken Crawford is the Executive Director of Facilities and Support Services at Ogden School District (Utah). Ken oversees the functions of facility management across the district, including maintenance, custodial, and new construction, among other areas. He began his career as an educator and has since moved into Support and Facility Management over the past 15 years.

Mikel Chertudi is the CEO and Co-founder of Moat Systems, Inc., an AI-powered cloud-based facility management platform. Mikel is an experienced SaaS technology leader with over two decades of go-to-market expertise and has founded multiple software ventures. He has built industry-recognized, award-winning sales and marketing teams at Adobe, Omniture, and Ancestry.com.

GOLD COAST II

Dampness and Indoor Mold Growth

Gold Coast II | 9:00–10:00 AM

Class Information: This presentation will discuss the nature of mold and dampness indoors, known adverse health outcomes related to damp/moldy buildings, and how to address mold problems indoors, including in schools.

Speaker: Michael Mitchell — Florida Department of Health

Michael Mitchell is the administrator for the Public Health Toxicology Section within the Florida Department of Health. He has been working for the Department for over 22 years, starting with inspections of regulated facilities in Marion County, including group care facilities (including schools) and food inspections. He has educated the public and partners regarding indoor issues during this time, including discussions on mold, carbon monoxide, and radon. He has a Master of Science in Chemistry, along with a Bachelor of Science in both chemistry and biochemistry. He enjoys helping people understand how the environment affects human health and how to prevent harmful effects from the environment.

Silos to Synergy: Communication Pathways That Strengthen Indoor Air Quality Management in K12 Schools

Gold Coast II | 10:00–11:00 AM

Class Information: Managing Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) in K-12 facilities is vital for fostering healthier learning environments that support student academic performance and the longevity of school buildings. Despite increasing budget constraints and limited resources, effective IAQ management is achievable through strategic approaches and active involvement of district employees. This session will explore how The School District of Palm Beach County leverages the active participation of its staff to ensure optimal IAQ in school buildings. This session aims to provide valuable insights for school districts to enhance IAQ management through staff involvement, tailored education, and transparent communication. Attendees will leave this session equipped with the tools, communication templates, and educational strategies needed to build a collaborative, district-wide culture around IAQ management.

Speakers: Hilary Roath — Wendy Barhydt — David Massinello

Hilary Roath-As the Southeast Regional Program Manager for the Center for Green Schools with the U.S. Green Building Council, Hilary Roath is dedicated to championing healthy, sustainable K-12 learning environments. She brings a unique, dual perspective to her work, drawing on both her six years in the classroom as a high school science educator and her industry experience as a LEED consultant guiding sustainable design and construction.

Wendy Barhydt is a highly experienced Environmental Specialist who brings over 36 years of expertise in environmental protection, indoor air quality, and emergency response to her work. For the past 13 years, she has led district-wide IAQ initiatives and emergency hurricane response for the School District of Palm Beach County, ensuring safe and healthy learning environments for students and staff. She holds degrees in Marine Science and Environmental Science from Kutztown University. Her career also includes over 23 years of managing complex soil and groundwater remediation projects in the private sector.

David Massinello serves as the Utilities and Energy Manager for the School District of Palm Beach County, the nation's 10th-largest school district. He is dedicated to delivering operational excellence and exceptional customer service to more than 160,000 students and staff. A hands-on leader, David, believes in managing beyond the desk and is often in the field identifying root causes and ensuring problems are resolved correctly the first time.

Florida Schools Sustainability Network Discussion

Gold Coast II | 11:00–12:00 PM

Class Information: The purpose of Florida Schools Sustainability Network is to create an unbiased space for sharing the sustainability work school districts are doing while learning how each district approaches similar sustainability issues. Join this network meeting to learn from colleagues and create new contacts. Members remain in touch throughout the year assisting each other with work challenges and questions as they arise.

Asbestos and New Construction – AHERA and Beyond

Gold Coast II | 1:00–2:00 PM

Class Information: Our state's outstanding growth has resulted in an explosion of new construction. Well-written architectural plans and construction documents allow districts to work with AHERA exceptions to avoid re-inspections and management plan updates, but AHERA isn't the only regulation that applies to school buildings. In this session we'll review the regulations districts shouldn't forget as new facilities are brought in online.

Speaker: Cathy Meilak and Daved McLouth — GLE Associates, Inc.

Cathy Meilak, CIH, is based in Tampa and has over 25 years of experience working with school districts coordinating environmental and EH&S projects nationwide, including districts throughout Florida.

Based in Orlando, **Daved McLouth** provides asbestos consulting to many Central Florida school districts.

Strong Filtration Practices and the NAFA Clean Air Award

Gold Coast II | 2:00–3:00 PM

Class Information: This session you will understand why filtration is not a comfort item in a school. It is the primary engineered control standing between outdoor and occupant-generated particulate and 2.8 million Florida students — and the cheapest device protecting the most

expensive equipment you own. It also introduces the NAFA Clean Air Award, and the role facility leaders play in creating healthier indoor environments. Attendees will learn why the award was established, how facilities are nominated and evaluated, and the core practices that support an effective filtration program. The presentation will also explore practical ways facility leaders can strengthen filtration standards, protect students, teachers, staff, and visitors, and receive recognition for the important work they perform behind the scenes.

Speaker: Wilson Meadows — Filter Pro IAQ

Wilson Meadows is the serving Chairman for Marketing and Membership of the National Air Filtration Association (NAFA), a member-led organization focused on education, advocacy, and the elevation of filtration practices. Wilson is also the General Manager of FilterPro USA companies - wholly focused on air filtration manufacturing, services, and distribution.

***Lighting Controls Solutions for FBC 2023 Energy Conservation Code**

Gold Coast II | 3:00-4:00 PM

Class Information: Lighting controls are required by the 2023 FBC Energy Conservation Code for many interior and exterior spaces in new construction, building additions and alterations in both commercial and residential settings. While the energy savings of lighting controls are well documented, the installation headaches are legendary! This session will review the code requirements for lighting controls, and the system features to look for to minimize installation and commissioning complications. CEU available.

Speaker: Janet Cecchetti

Janet Cecchetti serves as the Director of Education at SATCO Products, Inc, and holds the Lighting Certified (LC) credential. Over the course of four decades, she has developed a reputation for designing and delivering highly effective educational programs tailored to the lighting industry and related fields. Her extensive experience encompasses leadership in training and education, applications engineering, sales, and project management. Throughout her career, Janet has worked for lighting manufacturers, lighting agencies, and electrical distributors, which has provided her with a comprehensive and inclusive perspective on the challenges facing the lighting sector.

GOLD COAST III

Custodial Instructor Certification Course — Train the Trainer (16 Hours)

Gold Coast III | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM & 1:00–4:00 PM

Class Information: Custodial Instructor Certification Course (16 hours). Offered to custodians who have completed the FSPMA Master Custodian Certification and who want to be certified to teach the program at their school district or college. An additional three days of supervised teaching are required to obtain an instructor certification. Students should have the recommendation of their Custodial Supervisors. Class will cover various techniques of training with examples given by current instructors. We will also focus on the latest custodial issues and changes in the industry. In addition, an opportunity for current FSPMA instructors to get a refresher and CEUs toward re-certification.

Speakers: Eric Henrik & DiMarcus Simmons

Eric Henrik: Custodial Area Manager, St. Lucie County Schools. 16 years with St. Lucie County 2006–present. 9 years as FSPMA Trainer/Instructor. Designated District IPM Strategist. State University of Stony Brook NY plus 5 years Maintenance and Operations at the Health Science Center/School of Medicine (2000–2005).

DiMarcus Simmons: In 2019, I was promoted to a “certified training custodian” as my role then was to encourage the safety and cleanliness of the facilities/schools as well as the structural integrity of the buildings assigned to me. In this role, is where I began to build a more reputable sense of integrity around the country as people began to slowly gravitate toward the level of leadership, caring, and mentorship.

Post Covid 19 era, I attended my first FSPMA Train the Trainer, course where I successfully completed the requirement(s) to obtain a Custodial “Instructor” Certificate. (temp). After completing the requirements with someone within our organization, assisting with teaching, I obtained the certified instructors certification. Today that certification is used in our county as a way to encourage potential among our custodial staffing to become the best professional custodian possible. We ensure that custodians have direction not only based on preference but also respect.

GOLD COAST IV

Chapter 1 — The Professional School Custodian: People and the Job

Gold Coast IV | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM & 1:00–4:00 PM

Class Information: This course covers how a custodian should work with teachers, administrators, students, the public and each other. This course focuses on good

communication skills, chain of command, what is included in a good job description, record keeping and staffing. It also covers the best techniques for interviewing, hiring, orientation and training, evaluations and promotions.

Speakers: Susan Compton & Leonides Galarza

Susan Compton started her career with the Osceola County School District in 1997 and joined the Custodial Services Department in 2017. Since that time, she has demonstrated a strong commitment to excellence in school custodial management. She served as Past Secretary of the Florida School Plant Management Association (FSPMA), supporting the organization's mission of supporting professional growth and operational excellence. Since 2021, Susan has been a Certified Custodial Instructor, where she shares her knowledge to help train and develop others in the field.

Leo Acevedo-Galarza is an experienced and dedicated professional with over 26 years of service in Custodial Services within the School District of Osceola County. In his role as Custodial Foreman and Senior Custodial Class Instructor, he brings extensive expertise in facilities operations, workforce development and service excellence. Through decades of dedicated service, Mr. Acevedo-Galarza has established himself as a respected leader and mentor within the organization.

SEMINOLE D

***State Requirements for Educational Facilities (23 hours)**

Seminole D | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM & 1:00–4:00 PM

Class Information: 4-Day Course—The intent and purpose of this course is an in-depth review of the requirements for planning, designing, financing, constructing, maintaining and operating Florida's educational facilities. The course includes instruction on the State Requirements for Educational Facilities (SREF manual) established in rule 6A-2.0010, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), and sections 453 and 468 of the Florida Building Code. CEUs available.

Speaker: Violet Brown & Courtney Carlos — Florida Department of Education

Violet Brown was born and raised in Miami Florida, attended Florida Christian School in Miami. Graduated from Florida A&M University with a teaching degree. I completed a master's degree in educational leadership and administration. I have a valid teaching and principal certificate in the state of Florida. I enjoy spending time with my family, my mom, my 3 daughters and 4 grandchildren. I love the beach. This job has provided me with the opportunity to work with and meet great school facilities folk around the state. I am thankful for the opportunity to, once again, present at FSPMA.

Courtney Carlos is an Educational Consultant in the Florida Department of Education's Office of Educational Facilities. Mrs. Carlos is a certified Educator and taught Elementary Education for the ten years prior to joining the department. As a former teacher, she understands the importance of educational facilities and infrastructure for the well-being and positive influences they have on students and teachers. As a planning consultant, she has travelled to the state of Florida and has had the opportunity to experience all types of learning environments. Courtney believes that we have a responsibility to provide Florida with high-quality, equitable, safe, and supportive learning environments that are conducive to enhanced motivation and success for both students and teachers. Enthusiastic about helping others, Courtney has developed various training materials for the department which include job safety, ethics, SREF, and FISH. She is also the department's liaison for the project priority lists for both districts and Florida colleges. While helping with EFIS technical issues, FISH and Survey needs.

SEMINOLE E

***Fire Safety in Educational Facilities – 69-A58**

Seminole E | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM & 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Class Information: The course provides an in-depth review of the Uniform Fire safety Standards for Educational Facilities established in rule 69A-58, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The course includes instruction for fire safety inspections and maintenance of educational facilities.

Speakers: Don Whitehead and Martha Chauncey — Florida Department of Education

Don Whitehead: University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, Master of Architecture 1987 and B.A. 1985 TEACHING EXPERIENCE Advanced State Requirements for Educational Facilities 2017 Maintaining Compliant Educational Facilities, SREF Chapter 5 Fire Safety in Educational Facilities, State Fire Marshal Rule 69A-58 What's New in the Florida Building Code and SREF The Florida Green School Network How to Complete OEF Form 208A.

Martha Chauncey: Martha Chauncey has spent the last 26 years in Educational Facilities with 25 years of those being at Leon County Schools. She was a member of the Leon County Planning Commission and reviewed developments for school concurrency. While at Leon County Schools, she assisted DOE with testing software and providing input from a district point of view. In 2023 she started working at the Department of Education. Her goal is to assist other districts with the requirements of DOE

and provide support to districts as needed. She has experience with EFIS, Educational Plant Surveys, PPLs, 5 Year Work Plans, DVE 768 forms, Project Tracking Forms, Special Facilities, SREF and reviewing construction plans for SREF Chapter 6 compliance. In her free time, she enjoys nature photography and crafting with her niece.

SPACE COAST I

Diagnose Before You Discipline: The 3T Accountability Model for School Operations Leaders

Space Coast I | 9:00–10:00 AM

Class Information: In this session, attendees will learn how to apply the 3T diagnostic to real situations on their campuses and in their departments, how to use the H.O.P.E. Method to close training gaps before they become discipline situations, and how to build an accountability culture where standards are clear, expectations are fair, and consequences are legitimate.

Speaker: Antonio "Toni" Williams — Supreme Maintenance Organization

Antonio "Toni" Williams is a Leadership Development Speaker, Consultant, and the creator of the 3T Framework — a practical accountability system used by leaders in education, corporate, and faith-based organizations. As a former cleaning business owner and now Florida Region General Manager for Supreme Maintenance Organization (SMO), Toni brings a rare combination of frontline operational experience and leadership development expertise to every room he walks into.

From Signal to Solution: Turning Predictive Insights into Preventive Action on Campus

Space Coast I | 10:00–11:00 AM

Class Information: K–12 facility teams are generating more predictive signals than ever — from sensors, BAS, and monitoring systems designed to flag issues before they become failures. But prediction alone doesn't keep campus running. The real challenge begins after the alert. When asset locations are unclear, close-out documentation is missing, or critical information isn't accessible in the field, predictive insights fail to turn into preventive action. Response times slow, preventive maintenance stalls, and campus risk increases — even when the warning signs were there early. Join Facility Voices Podcast host and ARC Facilities Senior Director of Customer Education & Success, David Trask, for a session on how predictive maintenance signals connect or disconnect from day-to-day preventive maintenance execution across campus environments.

Speaker: David Trask — ARC Facilities

David Trask is Senior Director of Customer Education & Success at ARC Facilities and host of the Facility Voices podcast. A frequent speaker at industry events including IFMA, ASHE, APPA, NFMT, and TAHFM, he helps facilities leaders understand how technology can improve operational efficiency, safety, and resilience. David serves on the IFMA World Workplace Education Program Committee and is an Advisory Board Member for Facilitron. He is a strong advocate for succession planning and preserving critical institutional knowledge as experienced facilities professionals retire.

Driving Future Success: The Power of Capital Planning and Forecasting

Space Coast I | 11:00 AM–12:00 PM

Class Information: Operations teams are facing one of the largest shortages of staff, funding, and resources in history, making it nearly impossible to determine which projects take priority, how to justify more resources, and how to balance reactive and proactive work. This session explores how effective capital planning and forecasting helps your district optimize budgets, prevent financial crises, and make confident, strategic decisions. Walk away with a framework you can use when you're sitting in front of your board.

Speaker: Brandon Jacobs — FMX

Brandon Jacobs is a Customer Outcome Manager at FMX. Over the past two years, he's worked with hundreds of FMX customers to help them achieve their desired long-term goals and outcomes.

Leader vs. Manager — Which One Are You?

Space Coast I | 1:00–2:00 PM

Class Information: Leaders have followers, Managers have subordinates! So, are you a Leader or a Manager? The answer isn't as easy as one might think. Do you know which form is more effective and why? Who are you managing or leading? Are they Millennials or Baby Boomers and why does that matter? This session will walk you through the nuances of great leaders vs. great managers and why each form has its merits. Our goal is for attendees to self-evaluate their own style and walk away with knowledge of how they can improve performance from their teams.

Speaker: Ken Wertz — NSPMA

Ken Wertz is the Executive Director of the National School Plant Management Association (NSPMA), a national nonprofit association dedicated to advancing the

professionalism, education, and advocacy of public-school facilities leaders across the United States. Before taking on this national role, he served for eight years as Executive Director of the Massachusetts Facilities Administrators Association (MFAA), where he built strong partnerships and elevated statewide support for school facility professionals.

Water Heater and Hydronic Boiler Plant Operation and Maintenance for Realizing Efficiency

Space Coast I | 2:00–3:00 PM

Class Information: This presentation is targeted at owners and operators but has valuable information for everyone involved in the process of keeping up with boiler and water heating plants. The focus is on IOM compliance and pitfalls, inputs/outputs to water heating systems, and maintenance concerns, all with the goal of actually achieving efficient operation.

Speaker: Ted Duffy — LAARS Heating Systems

Ted Duffy is a Senior Regional Sales Manager for LAARS Heating Systems, based in Dallas TX. He attended the Georgia Institute of Technology where he received his BSME degree and holds Professional Engineer licenses in the states of Texas and Georgia, with experience in designing HVAC and plumbing systems. He is an active member of ASHRAE, serving as the Handbook Subcommittee chair for TC 6.1 Hydronic and Steam Equipment and Systems and credited project committee member of the recently published ANSI/ASHRAE/AHRI Standard 155-2024 Method of Testing for Rating Commercial Space Heating Boiler Systems.

Why Didn't They Teach Me This in College? An Educator's Guide to School Facilities

Space Coast I | 3:00–4:00 PM

Class Information: School Superintendents have spent their careers focused on education and academia. Educational leaders aren't typically trained in floor wax or HVAC — but managing school facilities is a critical part of the job. This session offers a high-level overview of maintenance and operations, sharing best practices and practical tips to help you better understand and support your facilities teams.

Speaker: Ken Wertz — NSPMA

See 1:00 PM session bio above.

SPACE COAST II

Introduction to F-ROC

Space Coast II | 9:00–11:00 AM

Class Information: This class is an Introduction to the concept and general information on the Florida Recovery Obligation Calculation (F-ROC) Courses.

Speaker: Pepper Fleischer & Melissa Foggy — Florida Division of Emergency Management

Randi “Pepper” Fleischer serves as an Admin & Management Cost Specialist with the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) and as the Program Coordinator for the Florida Recovery Obligation Calculation (F-ROC) Team. Since joining FDEM in December 2021, she has become a trusted resource and a key contributor to the program’s success. As Program Coordinator, Pepper plays a central role in the development, coordination, and daily management of the F-ROC program. She helps streamline processes, support internal teams, and ensure applicants receive consistent, high-quality guidance throughout their participation. Known for her proactive communication, strong organizational skills, and deep knowledge of the program, Pepper is often the steady force keeping operations moving forward. Pepper believes in hands-on, customer-focused service and is committed to equipping applicants with the tools, knowledge, and confidence needed to navigate the program successfully. Her professionalism, collaborative spirit, and genuine care for others strengthen the F-ROC mission and support communities across Florida as they Prepare to Recover™.

Melissa Foggy serves as Deputy Chief of the Recovery Bureau at the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM), where she leads initiatives that strengthen Florida’s disaster recovery programs and financial accountability processes. Since beginning her emergency management career with FDEM in 2018, Melissa has advanced through multiple leadership roles, bringing strong program management expertise and operational insight into statewide recovery efforts. Melissa is the Program Manager for the Florida Recovery Obligation Calculation (F-ROC) program, a statewide initiative designed to improve the accuracy, transparency, and consistency of disaster recovery. Since assuming leadership of the program in December 2021, she has played a central role in developing and implementing F-ROC processes, guiding stakeholders through complex recovery requirements, and helping applicants across the state better prepare for post-disaster financial responsibilities. A certified Project Management Professional (PMP), Melissa combines strategic planning, cross-agency coordination, and team leadership to improve recovery outcomes for Florida communities. Her experience spans Public Assistance project development, disaster recovery operations, and program implementation, making her a recognized leader in advancing effective and accountable recovery practices.

Public Assistance 101 & Grants Management- FL-603 (f)

Space Coast II | 11:00–12:00 PM & 1:00–4:00 PM

Class Information: Designed for local officials and staff responsible for project management within FEMA's Public Assistance (PA) Grants Program, this course provides essential knowledge and skills to effectively navigate PA and grants management. Through an in-depth exploration of the Florida Recovery Obligation Calculation (F-ROC) program, participants will learn how to apply its methodologies to optimize and enhance their project management efforts.

Speaker: Elizabeth Caison and Brian Lee — Florida Division of Emergency Management

Elizabeth Caison is a Regional Coordinator for Recovery and Mitigation for the Florida Division of Emergency Management. She holds a master's certification in public administration from the University of Central Florida and is a certified Florida Professional Emergency Manager (FPEM). Her experience in disaster recovery, hazard mitigation, planning and instruction has enabled her to enhance coordination among government, private, and non-profit stakeholders and support long-term recovery in communities across the State of Florida.

Brian Lee M.A currently serves as a Regional Recovery Coordinator with the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM), in Region 10 covering Broward, Miami-Dade, and Monroe Counties. Brian's education includes a Bachelor of Science in Homeland Security and a minor in International Studies from St. John's University and Master of Arts in Disaster Management from Florida International University's Academy for International Disaster Preparedness.

SPACE COAST III

Lock Out/Tag Out (LOTO) (2.0 hours)

Space Coast III | 9:00–11:00 AM

Class Information: The purpose of this training is to prevent injuries and fatalities due to energized equipment, or from accidental re-energization of equipment during service and maintenance activities. Employers must implement procedures for the control of all sources of hazardous energy. Participants will understand the hazards of failing to lock out power before performing the task. Participants will be able to implement step-by-step procedures to lock out energy sources.

Speaker: Brad Gray — Florida Department of Education

With over 20 years of experience as an occupational safety instructor, **Brad** has spent the last 10 years working as a Fire Inspector for Hillsborough County Schools where he also served as the Safety Training Coordinator responsible for training over 30k employees annually. He now

works with the Florida Dept of Education as a “Research and Training Specialist” providing training and support to school districts and colleges across the state of Florida.

Playground Safety

Space Coast III | 11:00 AM–12:00 PM

Class Information: Playground Safety Inspections are necessary to protect children from being injured on playground equipment. This course will discuss the frequency and documentation needed from the time that a playground is considered for installation throughout the lifetime of the play equipment. Discussions will be presented on documentation and maintenance of play equipment to ensure continued safety.

Speaker: Mark Cocco — Martin County School District

Mark Cocco has a Bachelor of Science Degree from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Mark started his safety career in the construction of the Pittsburgh, PA subway and followed that experience in industrial manufacturing applications. He then worked as an expert witness throughout the United States and is currently the Safety Manager for the Martin County School District, where he serves as the District Fire Safety Inspector, Certified Indoor Air Quality Professional, ADA Coordinator, Safety Casualty and Safety Inspector, Certified Playground Safety Inspector, and Unmanned Aircraft Pilot. Mark has served on the FSPMA Board of Directors for 22 years and served as President of the FSPMA in 2009, 2021, and 2022.

Fire Door Assembly Awareness

Space Coast III | 1:00–3:00 PM

Class Information: In this course you will learn the components of a fire door assembly and what you need to look at to ensure the assembly meets code. Part I and II.

Speaker: Justin Robinson — Allegion

Justin Robinson is a Field Support Specialist for Allegion with 20+ years of experience in the door and hardware industry. He is a certified fire door assembly inspector through DHI.

Modernizing Your Facilities Inspection Process for SREF and Safety Compliance

Space Coast III | 3:00–4:00 PM

Class Information:

Florida school facilities teams are under growing pressure to keep buildings safe and compliant with SREF, the Florida Fire Prevention Code, and NFPA standards, often with limited staff and aging paper-based processes. This session walks through how districts can move from reactive, clipboard-based inspections to standardized digital workflows that improve safety outcomes and keep teams ahead of compliance requirements.

Jared Wagman, Head of Product at Facilitron, will be joined by Dr. Carl E. Jackson, Jr., Assistant Fire Marshal at Orange County Public Schools, one of the largest districts in the state, to show what this looks like in practice. Together they will cover common pitfalls in legacy inspection processes, how to capture and track deficiencies consistently across hundreds of sites, and how OCPS built a mobile-first inspection process to enforce SREF and FFPC standards across its schools. The discussion will include real examples of how the district has streamlined inspections, improved accountability, and strengthened its safety documentation.

Whether your team is still working from clipboards or already partway through modernization, you will leave with concrete steps you can apply right away. The goal is a more proactive, defensible, and efficient approach to keeping schools safe.

Attendees will leave able to:

- Standardize inspection routines consistently across multiple sites
- Translate SREF, FFPC, and NFPA requirements into repeatable digital checklists
- Turn inspection findings into preventive maintenance and defensible safety documentation that holds up to scrutiny.

**Speaker: Jared Wagman — Facilitron Dr. Carl E. Jackson—Orange County Public Schools—
Shelley Youngkin**

Jared Wagman is the Head of Product at Facilitron. Over nearly a decade with the company, including six years leading implementation, he has guided the launch of Facilitron's software and services at more than 10,000 schools nationwide. That field experience gives him a practical understanding of the operational challenges districts face in managing maintenance, assets, and facility use, and drives his focus on building tools that make inspection, compliance, and daily operations simpler for the people doing the work.

Dr. Carl E. Jackson, Jr.

A native of Natchez, Mississippi, Dr. Carl E. Jackson, Jr. serves as Assistant Fire Marshal for Orange County Public Schools. With eight years of experience in the fire service, he helps ensure the safety and compliance of one of the nation's largest school districts. Dr. Jackson holds degrees in Biochemistry, Environmental Management, and Educational Leadership, including a doctorate specializing in Organizational and Strategic Leadership. His multidisciplinary background provides a unique perspective on risk management, safety operations, and organizational effectiveness in educational environments. Outside of work, he enjoys traveling, cooking, and exploring new cuisines.

Shelley Youngkin

Shelley Youngkin is a Product Manager at Facilitron specializing in facilities inspection technology. She leads Facilitron FIT, working with hundreds of schools to understand their inspection processes, compliance requirements, and operational challenges. Her experience partnering directly with facilities teams has given her a sharp understanding of how districts can replace fragmented processes with practical digital workflows that improve consistency and safety. Shelley brings a user-focused perspective grounded in the real-world inspection needs of K–12 facilities teams.