

American Camp Association 2018 National Conference

February 20-23, 2018

Orlando, Florida

Are there any incentives/discounts for registering early?

Yes, those registering on or before **December 15, 2017** can register at a discounted 'early bird' rate on both 1st Person and Additional Person registrations.

Are there any incentives/discounts if multiple people from my organization register?

Yes, after the first ACA member or non-member from an organization registers at the 1st Person registration rate, others from the same organization may register at the Additional Person registration rate.

Is it true that ACA offers complimentary registration for full-time students?

It is indeed. A photocopy of both sides of a student I.D. that confirms full-time student status must be submitted with your registration. Complimentary student registration **does not** include meal functions or ticketed events; however, students are welcome to purchase these tickets. For ticketed keynote luncheons, students will be able to attend the session after the meal has been served.

Can I register for just one day? Two days?

You may register for a single day or a combination of days. Daily registration must be submitted via the registration form. It is not available online.

Is it possible to buy event/meal tickets for friends and family?

Yes, you may do so using the registration form or you may purchase tickets on-site, subject to availability. Spaces reserved in advance are guaranteed. On-site ticket availability may be limited.

Do you accommodate special dietary needs?

Due to the constraints of hotel/convention center catering, the only special dietary needs we can accommodate are 'Vegetarian' and 'Kosher.' This preference must be submitted on your registration form.

Where can I rent a scooter?

Per the resort, attendees may rent scooters at their own expense, and the following locations will deliver to the Disney's Coronado Springs Resort:

- Buena Vista Scooter Rentals: 1-866-484-4797 / 407-938-0349, <https://www.buonavistascooters.com/>
- Best Price Scooters and Strollers: 1-866-866-3434, <https://www.bpmobility.com/rentals/scooters/>
- Apple Scooter: 1-800-701-1971, <https://www.applescooter.com/>
- ScooterBug: 1-800-726-8284 / 407-459-8272, <https://www.scooterbugmobilityrentals.com/>

If I am speaking, do I have to register? Pay?

All speakers **MUST** register for the conference, for either the day of their session or for the full conference. Speakers enjoy significantly reduced rates that include keynote/event tickets. If you are attending only on the day(s) you are presenting, you may attend on that day for free, however; event tickets are not included. Completed registration forms are needed for all presenters. We realize this in no way, is meant to compensate for your time and expertise. ACA recognizes that you are making a significant contribution to camp and the profession — with our thanks!

How do I register for Kindred events?

Please consult the list of Kindred events confirmed to date and information on registration at www.ACAcamps.org/conference/. The Kindred registration process varies according to group. ACA handles registration for some Kindreds, while others offer their own registration services.

Should I register first or make hotel reservations first?

Space for the conference is not limited; however, hotel guest rooms are. To secure your room at the conference hotel, we suggest you proceed in making hotel reservations first.

For more details, visit www.ACAcamps.org/conference/hotel.

How can I learn more about the program content?

The program is currently in development. Presenters submit proposals for consideration, utilizing the online submission tool. Also, the Conference Team develops sessions based on feedback gleaned from needs assessment tools, post-event surveys, and hot topics that develop out of current situations in camp. Look for updates on the program in progress on the National Conference Web pages. This year's theme is *Positive Futures*.

If I have an idea for a program or presenter, how do I submit?

Proposals will be accepted through September 15, 2017. Visit www.ACAcamps.org/conference/cfp for more details.

What are my volunteer options?

ACA welcomes volunteers with a variety of short and long-term options. In some cases, a rebate on registration fees is offered in exchange for significant services. Visit www.ACAcamps.org/conference/volunteer for more information.

What is the 2018 ACA National Conference Community Service Project?

The 2018 ACA National Conference Planning Team has chosen to collect items for the *Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida* as the service project for this year's conference. The *Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida* is a non-profit organization working to return families and individuals to self-sufficiency. The Coalition was formed in 1987 by a group of concerned citizens who noted a growing problem of homelessness in the community. Their mission is to transform the lives of homeless men, women and children by providing crucial services to end their crisis of homelessness. There is a great need for school/office supplies, personal hygiene products, toiletries, gift cards, and more. We will collect donated items at the hospitality desk. See more at: <http://www.acacamps.org/conference/service>. Giving back to our host city....ACA helping local kids....A great partnership!

Although I would like to attend the National Conference, there are reasons preventing this kind of trip and/or participation. What options do I have to attend in-person conferences?

ACA local offices and groups of ACA offices offer conferences on a local or regional level. These events offer high quality education, excellent networking opportunities, and in most cases, access to a variety of exhibitors. For more information, visit: www.ACAcamps.org/staff-professionals/events-professional-development/events.

What airport should I use?

Orlando International Airport. For more details, visit <https://www.orlandoairports.net/>.

What are my ground transportation options from Orlando International Airport?

Orlando International Airport is located approximately 25 miles from *Disney's Coronado Springs Resort*.

- Complimentary airport transportation and luggage delivery is available to resort guests through [Disney's Magical Express®](https://disneyworld.disney.go.com/guest-services/magical-express/) service. Please visit <https://disneyworld.disney.go.com/guest-services/magical-express/> for more details.
- Also, a wide variety of ground transportation services are available from Orlando International Airport. For more information visit <https://www.orlandoairports.net/parking-transportation/>.

If I plan to drive, what is the parking fee?

Standard self-parking at the conference headquarters resort is complimentary for resort guests. Please visit <https://disneyworld.disney.go.com/guest-services/parking/> for more details.

The resort address is 1000 West Buena Vista Drive, Lake Buena Vista, Florida 32830-8403.

Does the conference hotel(s) offer childcare options?

Please visit <https://disneyworld.disney.go.com/guest-services/child-care-services/> for more information.

What are the expected temperatures for Orlando in February?

The average temperatures for Orlando in February are: High: 74°F, Low: 50°F.

For the most current weather conditions or forecast, click on one of the following links:

<https://weather.com/weather/today/l/32830:4:US>

http://www.weathercentral.com/weather/us/cities/fl_orlando.html

<http://www.accuweather.com/en/us/orlando-fl/32801/weather-forecast/328169>

If I want to exercise while at Conference, what are my options?

- Use of the fitness center is complimentary for guests staying at *Disney's Coronado Springs Resort*. For more information, please visit <https://disneyworld.disney.go.com/spas/coronado-springs-resort/la-vida-health-club/>.
- Jogging/walking - take a brisk 0.9-mile run or walk along the scenic trail that loops around 22-acre Lago Dorado.

- Bicycle & surrey bike rentals and volleyball courts. For more information, visit <https://disneyworld.disney.go.com/resorts/coronado-springs-resort/recreation/>.

What is the appropriate dress for the conference?

Casual! Please come in clothes that are comfortable for moving around, enjoying sessions, and stepping outside. Session room temperatures vary, so wear layers and plan accordingly. Bring comfortable shoes/boots for walking.

What dining options are available at the conference hotels?

- *Maya Grill* — Serving dinner featuring traditional Mexican and American dishes
- *The Pepper Market* — A lively marketplace atmosphere with various food stations open for breakfast, lunch and dinner
- *Cafe Rix* — Grab a quick bite to eat for breakfast, lunch or dinner
- *Rix Lounge* — Experience vibrant nightlife in an upscale setting while enjoying light food options and specialty cocktails
- *Las Ventanas* — Serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner.
- *Laguna Bar* — A lakeside outdoor bar is the perfect place to unwind
- *Siestas Cantina* — A poolside hideaway for breakfast or lunch

For more details on these dining options, visit <https://disneyworld.disney.go.com/resorts/coronado-springs-resort/dining/>.

How can I learn more about Orlando, Florida?

- <http://www.orlandotouristinformationbureau.com>
- <http://www.visitorlando.com/>
- <http://www.visitflorida.com/>
- <http://www.touristflorida.com/>