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**Convocation Budget Guide 2025**

**Come to the 2025 LEA Convocation**

**October 2–4, 2025**

**America’s Center**

**St. Louis, Missouri**

**Give Yourself a Head Start!**

The 15th Triennial Lutheran Education Association Convocation is worth your professional development dollar. Here is important information to help you plan to attend.

**Convocation Highlights**

* More than 3,000 Lutheran educators at all levels in attendance
* Worship and Bible study
* More than 175 sectionals on a wide range of topics
* Banquets, fellowship, entertainment
* More than 100 exhibitors

**Register Early to Save Money!**

The registration fees are per person and include a banquet, sectionals, keynotes, and entry into the exhibit hall. [See the Convocation website](https://www.lea.org/lea-convocation/) for additional information.

**Registration Rates for 2025 Convocation**

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|  | **Best Value Rate**  **Expires June 1, 2025** | **Early Bird Rate**  **Expires Sept. 1, 2025** | **After**  **Sept. 1, 2025** |
| **Member** | 360 | 375 | 425 |
| Non-Member | 500 | 515 | 565 |
| Emeriti Member | 310 | 325 | 375 |
| Emeriti Non-Member | 370 | 385 | 435 |
| Student Member | 260 | 275 | 325 |

Consider our Membership Installment Plan to Save More Money

**Option A**: Lock in your basic 2025 Convocation registration plus 2 years of LEA membership

**\_\_\_\_\_** 2 payments of $291.50 ($65 savings) (Payments due 04/30/24 and 01/31/25)

**\_\_\_\_\_** 3 payments of $194.35 ($65 savings) (Payments due 04/30/24, 09/30/24, and 01/31/25)

**Option B:** Lock in your 2025 Convocation registration plus 2 years of LEA membership

for your **full faculty** for additional savings. Only available if **all** full-time faculty members are enrolled.

**\_\_\_\_\_** 2 payments of $281.00 per faculty member ($86 savings) (Payments due 04/30/24 and 01/31/25)

**\_\_\_\_\_** 3 payments of $187.35 per faculty member ($86 savings) (Payments due 04/30/24, 09/30/24, and 01/31/25)

For more information on the installment plan, click [HERE](https://www.lea.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Convocation-Installment-Plan-2025.docx)

**Hotel Room and Parking Rates**

Convocation participants enjoy discounted overnight room rates at the time of publication (10/1/23).

Prices do not include tax.

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| **Hotel** | **Room Cost Only** | **Distance to America’s Center** |
| Marriott St. Louis Grand Hotel | $169 | Adjacent |
| Courtyard by Marriott Downtown Convention Center | $184 | Adjacent |
| Holiday Inn St. Louis DT Convention Center | $149 | Adjacent |
| Embassy Suites St. Louis Downtown *free cook-to-order hot breakfast complimentary Wi-Fi* | $189 | Adjacent |
| Drury Inn and Suites - Convention Center *free hot breakfast complimentary Wi-Fi free evening kickback cocktails and appetizers* | $169 | Adjacent |
| The Magnolia Hotel | $179 | 1 Block |
| Hampton Inn St. Louis DT Gateway Arch | $179 | 3 Blocks |
| Hotel Indigo | $159 | 3 Blocks |

**Airport Transportation**

St. Louis is served by [St. Louis Lambert International Airport](https://www.flystl.com/).

[Taxi/Shuttle Service](https://www.flystl.com/parking-and-transport/transportation) from the Airport.   
  
**Amtrak**  
St. Louis has [Amtrak](https://www.amtrak.com/stations/stl) service.

St. Louis Information  
For more information on St. Louis, see [Explore St. Louis.](https://explorestlouis.com/)

## Budgeting Worksheet

Use this form to help you estimate the cost for your staff to join us for the 2025 Convocation!

Number of People Registration Fee

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ x $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ = $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Hotel Rooms Number of Nights Cost of Room

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Parking Fee Number of Vehicles Number of Days

$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ = $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Meal Allowance Per Person Number of Days

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Round Trip Transportation Number of People Attending

$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ = $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Shuttle or Taxi Cost

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Total $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

LEA offers a [Convocation Deposit Option](https://www.lea.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Convocation-Deposit-Form-2025.docx) to help you set aside incremental funding for the convocation. This might be especially helpful for budget line items that must be expended during a particular fiscal year or just as a convenient way to set aside money to avoid the sticker shock that comes with a total bill.

You can deposit funds at any time prior to July 2025 to be applied to your faculty’s 2025 convocation registration(s).

Participation includes the following benefits:

* You can make multiple deposits.
* LEA will return a deposit receipt to you for each deposit received.
* All deposited funds will be applied to convocation registrations (not toward housing).
* Once registration for the 2025 convocation opens, you can contact LEA to confirm your deposit balance and authorize your deposit(s) to be applied to your registrations.
* Unused funds will be refunded.

**Questions?**

More information about the LEA Convocation is available by visiting our [website](https://www.lea.org/lea-convocation/), emailing [lea@lea.org](mailto:lea@lea.org), or calling us at 708-209-3343.