



Announcements & FAQ's Tip Sheet

This document is designed to keep individuals informed and prepared as we come together for the 38th Annual Developmental Disabilities Awareness Day Conference. Below, you'll find important announcements, helpful event updates, and frequently asked questions to support a smooth and meaningful conference experience.

- There is a brand-new conference schedule lineup for 2026:

8AM – 9AM | **Registration**
9AM – 9:30AM | **Welcome Announcement · Art Award Showcased**
9:30AM – 10:30AM | **Keynote – doors will be closed**
10AM – 12PM | **Vendor Fair · Healthy You Corner**
11AM – 12PM | **Morning Sessions · Executive Meeting**
12PM – 12:15PM | **Lunch Line Up**
12:15PM – 1:30PM | **Lunch · Award Ceremony**
1:45PM – 2:45PM | **Afternoon Workshops**
3PM – 5PM | **Reception · Gift Basket Raffle**

- Doors will be closed during the keynote session to support a respectful & engaging keynote experience.
- Our keynote speaker will also be leading a workshop during the conference—don't miss this added opportunity!
- Name badges must be worn and visible throughout the entire conference.
- There will now be an on-site photobooth to allow attendees to capture the moment!
- A limited number of scholarships are available for individuals and families of individuals with a developmental disability.



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How much is parking?

Parking is **\$5** in city lots. You must bring your ticket in to get validated.

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Where can I park?

Please refer to our Facebook page for a visual of parking areas available near the conference location. <https://tinyurl.com/2rsn5nmv>

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Do I have to register in advance?

Yes, every attendee must be registered. (families, caregivers, staff, etc.) Anyone who doesn't register before the deadline will have to pay a higher ticket price at the door.

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When will registration open/close?

Registration **opens Monday, April 6th** and **closes Monday, May 11th** for both ticket sales and sponsorships.

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Is lunch included with my ticket?

No, lunch is not automatically included and must be purchased ahead of time. (*none available day of*)

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Are there other food options?

Yes, there will be an open concession stand with food to purchase.

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When can vendors set up?

We highly encourage vendors to set up for the vendor fair **the day before the conference**.