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March 29 - April 2, 2027

Chicago, Illinois

Schedule of Events

Registration for the conference includes all **hybrid onsite/virtual sessions**, both live and on-demand, through April 30, 2027.

*Schedule is subject to change. ^ Pre-Registration Required * By Invitation Only*

All times below are listed in Central Time.

Pre-Conference Orientation Sessions (on Zoom)

March 23 2:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Navigating the Conference	For all attendees

Monday, March 29

	Onsite Sessions	Hybrid Onsite/Virtual Sessions
8:00 am - 11:30 am	National CACFP Association Board Meeting*	
9:00 am - 7:00 pm	Registration & Information Desk Open	
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Self-Care Strategies	
11:15 am- 12:15 pm	Leadership Lab	
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Professional Headshots	
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Pre-Conference Academy^	
1:15 pm - 1:45 pm	Navigating the Conference Q&A	
1:45 pm - 2:45 pm	NCA-Guided Tour of Conference Space	
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Afterschool Meals Overview	**Available On Demand**
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Leadership Lab	
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	State Agency Collaboration*	

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Speaker Tech Drop-In*	
3:15 pm - 4:15 pm	SFSP Overview	**Available On Demand**
3:15 pm - 4:15 pm	Leadership Lab	
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Professional Networking Strategies & Tips	
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Regional Networking	
5:15 pm - 5:45 pm	Industry Partner Exclusive*	
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	President's Reception	

Tuesday, March 30

	Onsite Sessions	**Hybrid Onsite/Virtual Sessions**
7:00 am - 5:30 pm	Registration & Information Desk Open	
7:15 am - 7:45 am	CACFP Creditable Tools & Resources	**CACFP Creditable Tools & Resources**
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Group Meetups	**Group Meetups**
9:00 am - 1:15 pm	Exhibit Hall Open	
9:15 am - 12:15 pm	Pre-Conference Academy^	
9:15 am - 10:15 am	CACFP Overview	**CACFP Overview**
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Mid-Morning Coffee Break	
10:30 am - 11:30 am	CACFP Certification Program Overview + Q&A	**Program Overview Available On Demand**
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	State Agency Office Hours	
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	National Conference General Session	**National Conference General Session**
3:15 pm - 4:15 pm	Featured Speakers	**USDA CACFP Policy Update**
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	NCA Annual Member Meeting*	**NCA Annual Member Meeting***
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Speed Sessions	**Coming Soon**
5:15 pm - 6:15 pm	Quizapalooza: Are You a Meal Pattern Superstar?	

Wednesday, March 31

	Onsite Sessions	**Hybrid Onsite/Virtual Sessions**
6:00 am - 6:45 am	Fitness/Wellness Class	
7:00 am - 6:00 pm	Registration & Information Desk Open	
7:00 am - 7:45 am	Continental Breakfast, Coffee & Conversation	
7:15 am - 7:45 am	Shop Talks	
8:00 am - 12:30 pm	Exhibit Hall Open	
8:45 am - 9:45 am	Workshops Session One	**Coming Soon**
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Workshops Session Two	**Coming Soon**
11:15 am - 12:15 pm	Workshops Session Three	**Coming Soon**
10:30 am - 1:00 pm	Professional Headshots	

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch	
1:45 pm - 2:45 pm	Workshops Session Four	**Coming Soon**
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Workshops Session Five	**Coming Soon**
4:15 pm - 5:15 pm	Workshops Session Six	**Coming Soon**
5:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Shop Talks	

Thursday, April 1

	Onsite Sessions	**Hybrid Onsite/Virtual Sessions**
6:00 am - 6:45 am	Fitness/Wellness Class	
7:00 am - 6:00 pm	Registration & Information Desk Open	
7:00 am - 7:45 am	Continental Breakfast, Coffee & Conversation	
7:15 am - 7:45 am	Shop Talks	
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Workshops Session Seven	**Coming Soon**
9:15 am - 10:15 am	Workshops Session Eight	**Coming Soon**
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Workshops Session Nine	**Coming Soon**
11:45 am - 12:15 pm	Workshops Session Ten - Speed Session	**Coming Soon**
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch	
1:45 pm - 2:45 pm	Workshops Session Eleven	**Coming Soon**
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Workshops Session Twelve	**Coming Soon**
4:15 pm - 5:15 pm	Featured Speakers	**Coming Soon**
5:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Closing Session: Laissez les Bons Temps Rouler!	**Closing Session: Laissez les Bons Temps Rouler!**

Friday, April 2

	Onsite Sessions	**Hybrid Onsite/Virtual Sessions**
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Post-Conference Academy^	
8:00 am - 12:15 pm	NCA Office Hours: Certification & Membership	
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Fresh Ideas, Shared Purpose: Actions for the Future	
9:15 am -10:15 am	More About CACFP: Ask Us Anything!	
10:30 am - 11:30 am	CACFP Meal Pattern Exceptions	
10:15 am - 12:15 pm	Post-Conference Academy^	
11:45 am - 12:15 pm	Networking Event	

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