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NEA 2026 REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY (RA)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Denver, CO

Registration Day: July 3, 2026

RA Dates: July 4-7, 2026

**Start time: 10:00 a.m. | July 4 – 6
9:30 a.m. | July 7**

RA THEME

Organizing For Power: *For Our Educators. For Our Students. For Our Democracy.*

Daily themes

Day One: **Organizing**

Day Two: **Member Driven**

Day Three: **Student-Centered**

Day Four: **Democracy** (*Everyone is asked to wear purple*)

NEA ANNUAL MEETING AND REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY – [DENVER MICROSITE](#)

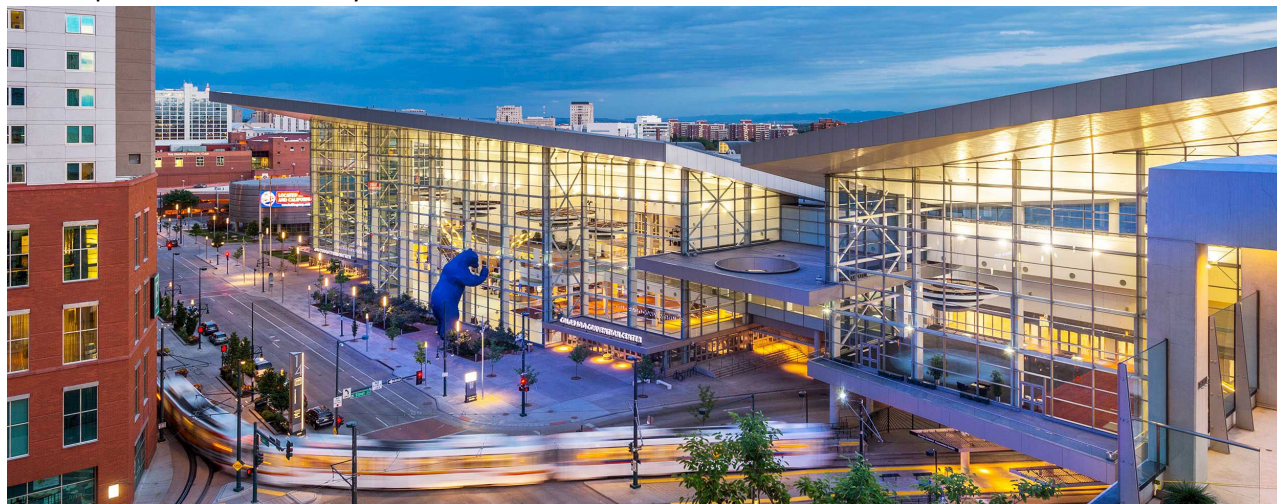
Visit Denver, the 2026 Host Committee, and CFM have teamed up to create a dedicated microsite for NEA delegates, staff, and guests. It is packed with helpful information on dining, transportation, and more to make your visit seamless and enjoyable.

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LOCATION

Colorado Convention Center

The Colorado Convention Center (CCC) is the site of the 164th NEA Annual Meeting site and the 105th NEA Representative Assembly.



Representative Assembly - Halls AB

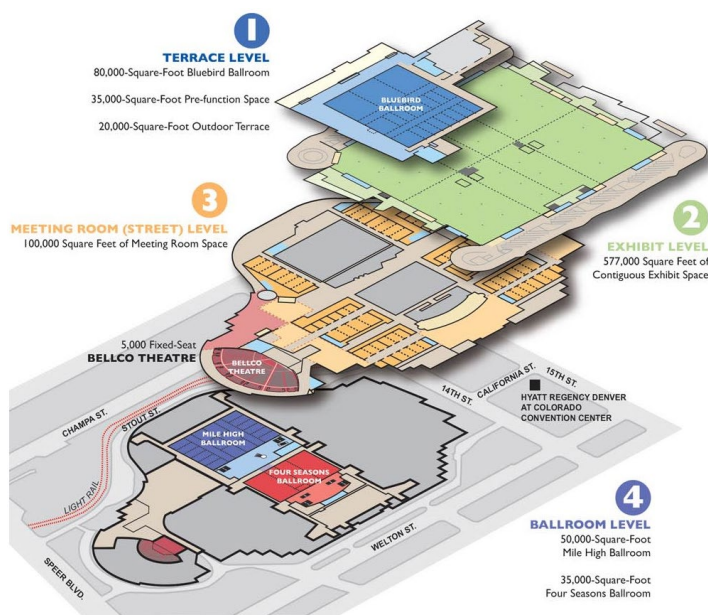
Delegate Experience and Registration -
Halls EF

Voting - Delegate Experience

HCR Awards - Mile High Ballroom

Caucus Rooms and NEA Offices – located
throughout the CCC

Day of Learning – Bluebird Ballroom, Mile
High Ballroom, Four Seasons Ballroom



DESIGNATED ENTRIES

To enter the Denver Convention Center from the street level, use either entrance on the front of the building on 14th Street to either the right (Stout Street) or the left (Welton Street) of the Big Blue Bear. Non-entry doors can be used for exiting only.

Clear bags will be distributed to delegates at registration. We HIGHLY recommend these are used for ease with getting through the magnetometers.

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FOOD SERVICE AT THE CONVENTION CENTER

Please note that all vendors and vending machines within the Denver Convention Center are cashless and accept only credit cards, debit cards, and contactless payment methods. Accepted contactless options include major credit and debit cards, Apple Pay, Google Pay, and other mobile payment services.

Most concession locations offer a variety of healthy food choices, including gluten-free, vegetarian, and vegan options. These items will be clearly identified on concession menu boards.

Attendees with specific dietary, medical, or religious dietary requirements are encouraged to contact their State Coordinator for information on additional dining options available near the convention center.

July 3-7

• **Baroness: 7 am – 11 am | Street Level – Lobby B**

Offers brewed coffee, espresso beverages, smoothies, frappes, soft drinks, and grab-and-go items, including breakfast burritos, empanadas, sweet breads, and snacks

• **Blue Bear Café: 7am – 7pm | Street Level – Lobby A**

Serves coffee and espresso beverages, teas, blended coffee drinks, fruit smoothies, soft drinks, breakfast items, sandwiches, salads, and grab-and-go snacks.

• **Crepes & Company: 7 am – 3 pm | Street Level – Lobby A**

Features sweet and savory crepes, including breakfast and chicken options, along with chips and beverages, including soft drinks and water.

• **Mile High Market: 7 am – 5 pm | Street Level – Lobby A Concourse**

House made sandwiches and salads, beverages including drip coffee, juices, and soft drinks, as well as grab-and-go breakfast sandwiches, snacks, and whole fruit.

• **Baroness I: 11 am – 4 pm | Delegate Experience**

Offers brewed coffee, espresso beverages, smoothies, frappes, soft drinks, and grab-and-go items, including breakfast burritos, empanadas, sweet breads, and snacks.

• **Baroness II: 11 am – 4 pm | Delegate Experience**

Offers brewed coffee, espresso beverages, smoothies, frappes, soft drinks, and grab-and-go items, including breakfast burritos, empanadas, sweet breads, and snacks.

• **Go Natural: 11 am – 4 pm | Delegate Experience**

Features house made sandwiches, wraps, and salads, along with beverages, grab-and-go snacks, and fresh fruit.

• **Monster Grill: 11 am – 4 pm | Delegate Experience**

Serves burgers, sausages, Philly cheesesteaks, chicken tenders, and fries, along with chips and beverages, including soft drinks, water, and lemonade.

• **Burrito King: 11 am – 4 pm | Delegate Experience**

Offers burritos, street tacos, taco bowls, and tamales, assorted chips, and bottled sodas and water.

• **Pizza Stand: 11 am – 4 pm | Delegate Experience**

Features individual pizzas, sandwiches, salads, beverages such as soft drinks and juices, and grab-and-go snacks and whole fruit.

• **Biker Jim's: 11 am – 4 pm | Delegate Experience**

Serves specialty hot dogs and bratwursts with a choice of toppings, along with chips and beverages, including soft drinks, water, energy drinks, and sports drinks.

• **Monster Gyro's: 11 am – 4 pm | Delegate Experience**

A Mediterranean menu featuring lamb and chicken gyros, gyro bowls, chips, and drinks including sodas, lemonade, and water.

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Please refrain from bringing large quantities of outside food and drink (group catering) into the Denver Convention Center. This may be subject to search and confiscation by building security and is considered a violation of Denver Convention Center policy.

Concession schedules are subject to change without notice.

HELP FOR THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

This year, NEA has chosen the Denver Inner City Parish. The DICP serves marginalized Denver residents facing high rents, food deserts, and social isolation. Their programs are participant-driven and highly responsive to community feedback. The community's needs have changed over the decades, but DICP continues to help residents face whatever challenges life has in store for them.

Non-Perishable items can be dropped off at the Donation Box located in the main lobby near the Blue Bear.

Here's a list of the most needed items that can be donated at the RA:

- Canned proteins (fish, chicken, beans)
- Quick meals (Hamburger Helper, Knorr Pasta, Pasta Roni)
- Single-serve snacks
- Baby formula
- Hygiene products (Menstrual products, soap bars, travel-size deodorant, etc.)

Or you can donate online at: <https://dicp.org/support/make-a-donation/>

Thank you for your support!

Contact NEACommunityOutreach@gmail.com with any questions.

DENVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (DEN)

Denver International Airport (DEN) is the largest airport in North America by land area and one of the busiest airports in the United States. Located approximately 25 miles northeast of downtown Denver, it serves as a major gateway for both domestic and international travel, connecting millions of passengers to destinations around the world each year.

Since opening in 1995, DEN has become known for its iconic white canopy roof, designed to evoke the snow-capped peaks of the Rocky Mountains. In addition to its striking architecture, the airport offers a wide range of passenger amenities, efficient transportation options, and an extensive public art collection, making it both a vital transportation hub and a recognizable Denver landmark.

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TRANSPORTATION

To and From Denver International Airport (DEN)

Travelers arriving at Denver International Airport (DEN) have several convenient transportation options to reach downtown Denver, including taxis, Uber, Lyft, shuttle services, and public transit.

One of the most affordable and efficient options is the **A Line commuter rail**, which provides direct service between DEN and Denver Union Station in the heart of downtown. Trains depart regularly throughout the day, and the approximately 23-mile trip takes about 37 minutes. The one-way fare is approximately \$10. For more information about the A Line, visit the [Denver Rail Access](#) website.

For additional information and transportation options – please click here: [Denver Airport Transportation Options](#)

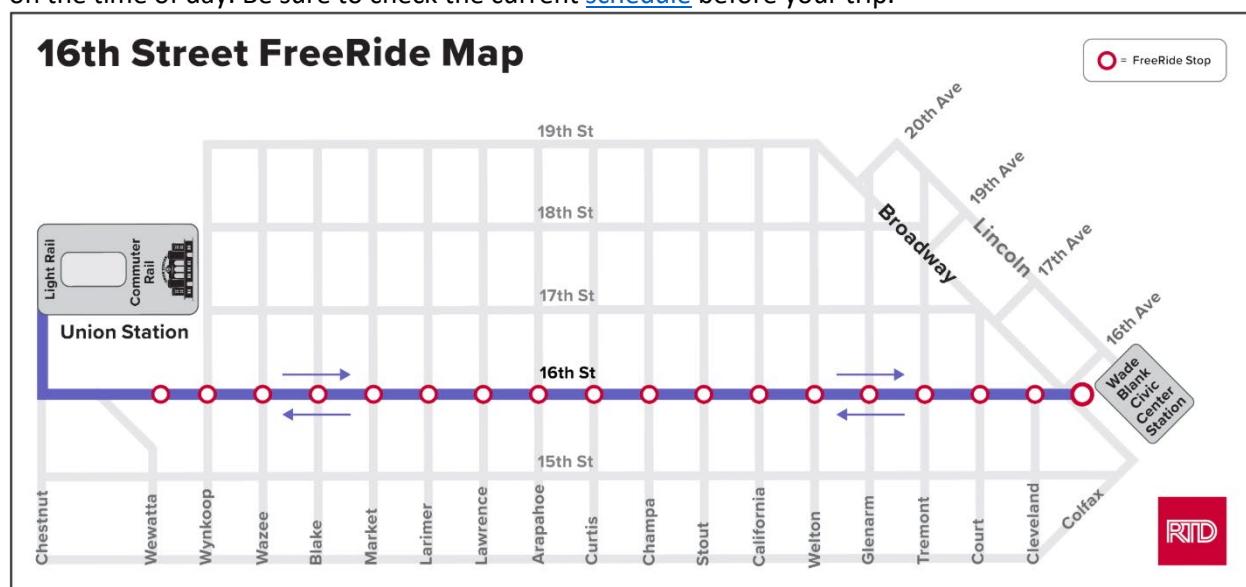
We'd also like to suggest the Blue Shuttle Van service for a cost of \$25 - \$30 one way. You can reserve a pick-up time through their website at <https://blueshuttlevan.com/>

16th Street FreeRide Buses

The 16th Street FreeRide is a complimentary shuttle service that operates seven days a week, providing convenient transportation between Denver Union Station and Civic Center Station. No ticket or fare is required—simply hop on and ride.

Whether you're heading to a restaurant, shopping destination, hotel, or local attraction, the FreeRide's fully electric, battery-powered buses offer an easy and environmentally friendly way to travel through downtown Denver.

Service runs from early morning until late evening, with buses arriving every 4 to 12 minutes, depending on the time of day. Be sure to check the current [schedule](#) before your trip.



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CHILDCARE

Child Care Services June 28 – July 7

Child Care Center/Camp NEA (ages 6 months to 9 years)

Child Care–School Age

Child Care–Pre-School

Child Care–Infants & Toddlers

July 28 – July 3: 8:30 am–5:30 pm

July 4–7: 6:30 am until 30 minutes after the close of each day's Representative Assembly meetings

Club NEA (ages 10–16 years)

July 3: 8:30 am–5:30 pm

July 4–7: 6:30 am until 30 minutes after the close of each day's Representative Assembly meetings

There will also be evening care the night of the HCR Awards Ceremony on July 3rd: 6:30 pm –10 pm.

***Please refer to your childcare confirmation for room numbers**

DELEGATE RESOURCES

RA website: www.nea.org/ra, includes the following:

- State Housing List
- Schedule of Events
- RA Business Items and Information
- Candidates for Office

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REGISTRATION AND CHECK-IN

RA Delegates may begin registering for the NEA RA starting on June 3rd. The email they receive will include information that allows the member to register for delegate credentials. The registration process will allow the delegates to register for the pre-RA Town Hall and Open Hearings. Delegates will have the opportunity to add guests as part of their registration. If an elected delegate does not receive the email, they should go to www.nea.org/ra and click the RA Support tab to send an email to NEA requesting registration information.

NEA RA REGISTRATION CHANGES FOR 2026

Please note that delegate and association staff guest access to the 2026 Representative Assembly will be limited to immediate family members only. Immediate family members are defined as:

- Spouse or domestic partner
- Parents/step-parents
- Siblings
- Children/step-children

Delegates and association staff may add guests as part of their registration until June 28. Guest registration will not be available after this date.

As part of the registration process delegates must certify the following:

"I certify that I have been notified that I must register my guests no later than June 28, 2026."

"I certify that my guest is a member of my immediate family."

Guests must be present with their sponsoring delegate or association staff member to receive a badge. The photo for their badge will be taken then. Delegates and staff are requested to avoid peak times on July 3 to request guest badges. Badges for guests registered before June 28 can be picked up until 12 p.m. local time on July 7. Guests will enter through a separate entrance that leads to a designated guest seating area.

NEA Members – Non-Delegates

Subject to seating availability, NEA members who are not elected delegates to the NEA RA may register onsite on July 3 and 4 only to observe the RA. Registration for NEA members will close at 5:00pm local time on July 4. Member observers will enter through the guest entrance that leads to a designated guest seating area.

Appeals or requested exceptions to this policy should be sent to jtesterman@nea.org.

Registration and Check-In open at the Colorado Convention Center on July 3rd. All delegates who have registered online may proceed directly to the Delegate Check-in area. Delegates must present a valid photo identification before their badge is issued. Delegates who have not registered online must go to the Registration desk for assistance.

A reminder that ALL attendees must show a photo ID before badges are issued.

NEA DELEGATE POLICY AND GOVERNANCE

Please refer to the NEA Website for details on NEA Policy and Governance www.nea.org/delegaterequirements.

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NBIS AND AMENDMENTS DEADLINES

Please refer to the NEA RA Website for deadlines and timelines on NBI's. It can be accessed via this link: <https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/conferences-events/annual-meeting-and-representative-assembly/delegate-resources/business-process>

ELECTIONS AND CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Please refer to the NEA Website for details on all Candidates and Election information. It can be accessed via this link: <https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/conferences-events/annual-meeting-and-representative-assembly/delegate-resources/candidates>

RA FLOOR SEATING

Seating for the 2026 Representative Assembly will not include any stadium seating.

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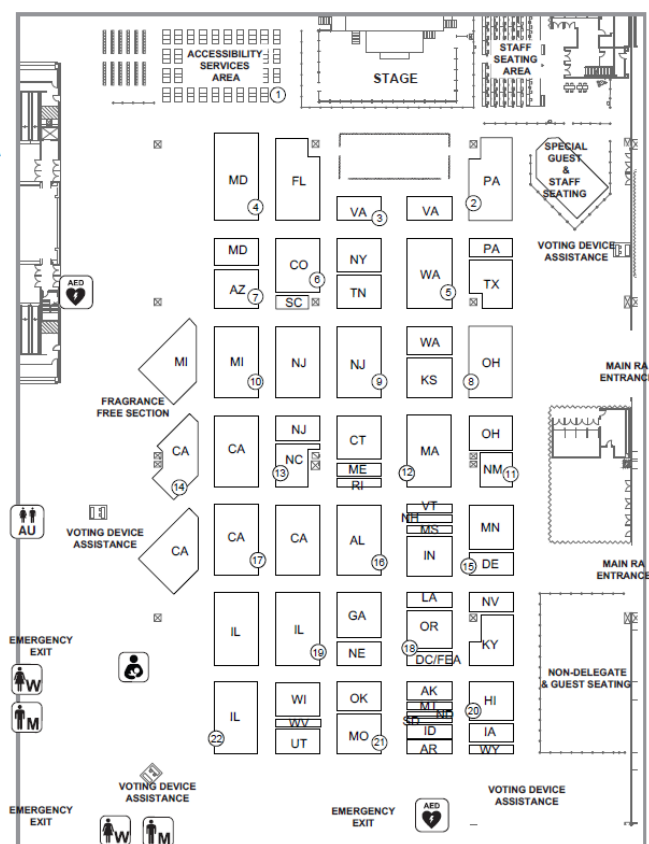


105th Representative Assembly

AL	ALABAMA	MS	MISSISSIPPI
AK	ALASKA	MO	MISSOURI
AZ	ARIZONA	MT	MONTANA
AR	ARKANSAS	NE	NEBRASKA
CA	CALIFORNIA	NV	NEVADA
CO	COLORADO	NM	NEW MEXICO
CT	CONNECTICUT	NY	NEW YORK
DE	DELAWARE	NC	NORTH CAROLINA
DC	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	ND	NORTH DAKOTA
FEA	FEDERAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION	OH	OHIO
FL	FLORIDA	OK	OKLAHOMA
GA	GEORGIA	OR	OREGON
HI	HAWAII	PA	PENNSYLVANIA
ID	IDAHO	RI	RHODE ISLAND
IL	ILLINOIS	SC	SOUTH CAROLINA
IN	INDIANA	SD	SOUTH DAKOTA
IA	IOWA	TN	TENNESSEE
KS	KANSAS	TX	TEXAS
KY	KENTUCKY	UT	UTAH
LA	LOUISIANA	VT	VERMONT
ME	MAINE	VA	VIRGINIA
MD	MARYLAND	WA	WASHINGTON
MA	MASSACHUSETTS	WV	WEST VIRGINIA
MI	MICHIGAN	WI	WISCONSIN
MN	MINNESOTA	WY	WYOMING

LEGEND

- ALL USER RESTROOMS
- MEN RESTROOMS
- WOMEN RESTROOMS
- NURSING ROOM
- AED



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RA VOLUNTEER COMMUNICATIONS

Volunteer communications have been sent to the Host Committee (we currently have about 220 registered volunteers). Other states can and have supported the RA in the past. All volunteers regardless of where they come from are required to list (on the sign-up sheet) how they are related to NEA so they can be vetted by the state or NEA.

RA ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

The Representative Assembly's Accessibility Services offers transportation to and within the event, as well as other assistive services on-site at the RA, for delegates who qualify. If you will need assistive services, please follow the link below to register. [RA Accessibility Services Registration](#)

SUPPORT FOR LOCAL MINORITY OWNED BUSINESSES

Please consider visiting the companies found on this website when you're looking for local restaurants and businesses during your downtime in Denver.

<https://shopbipoc.com/shopbipoc-support-small-business/>

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SHUTTLE INFORMATION

HOTEL ROUTES & BOARDING LOCATIONS

RED ROUTE ONE

DoubleTree Denver Tech Center	Outer Driveway – Front of Hotel
Hyatt Regency Denver Tech Center	Curbside on S. Syracuse St
Denver Marriott Tech Center	Curbside on S. Syracuse St

BLUE ROUTE TWO

Holiday Inn Express Denver Downtown	Curbside on Tremont Pl
The Brown Palace Hotel & Spa by Marriott	Walks to Holiday Inn Express Denver

GREEN ROUTE THREE

SpringHill Suites Denver Downtown (at MSU Denver)	Curbside on Auraria Pkwy
The Westin Denver Downtown	Curbside on Lawrence St
Ritz-Carlton Denver	Curbside on 19 th St
Renaissance Denver Downtown City Center	Curbside on Champa St
Residence Inn by Marriott Denver City Center	Walks to Renaissance Denver Downtown City Center

Kimpton Hotel Monaco Denver

Walks to Renaissance Denver
Downtown City Center
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Magnolia Hotel Denver,
a Tribute Portfolio Hotel
Hyatt Centric Downtown Denver Hotel

YELLOW ROUTE FOUR

the Art, a hotel	Curbside on W 12th Ave
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ORANGE ROUTE FIVE

Hilton Garden Inn Denver Union Station	Curbside on Chestnut Pl
Limelight Hotel Denver	Curbside on Wewatta St

PINK ROUTE SIX

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Denver Hotel	By Main Entrance at the end of the Conference Center Handicap Parking
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GRAY ROUTE SEVEN

Grand Hyatt Denver	Curbside on Welton St
Hilton Denver City Center	Curbside on California St

WALKING HOTELS

Embassy Suites by Hilton Downtown Convention Center
Hampton Inn & Suites Denver/Downtown - Convention Center
Hilton Garden Inn Denver Downtown
Home2 Suites by Hilton Denver Convention Center
Hyatt House Denver/Downtown
Hyatt Place Denver Downtown
Hyatt Regency Denver at Colorado Convention Center
Sheraton Denver Downtown
Sonesta Denver Downtown
The Curtis - a DoubleTree by Hilton
The Slate Denver
Tru by Hilton Denver Downtown Convention Center

HOURS OF OPERATION

FRIDAY, JULY 3

8:30 am - 6:00 pm	Shuttle service between Route Hotels and the Colorado Convention Center
Departs every 15-20 minutes	
4:00 pm	Last bus TO the Colorado Convention Center
6:00 pm	Last bus FROM the Colorado Convention Center

HCR DINNER TRANSPORTATION - FRIDAY, JULY 3

4:15 pm & 5:15 pm	Transfers from Route Hotels TO the Colorado Convention Center
9:00 pm - 9:30 pm	Shuttle service FROM the Colorado Convention Center to the Route Hotels
Buses depart as filled	
9:30 pm	Last bus FROM the Colorado Convention Center

SATURDAY, JULY 4

8:00 am - 9:40 am	Transfer from Route Hotels Buses depart as filled to the Colorado Convention Center
6:00 pm	Transfer from the Colorado Convention Center to Route Hotels
or after RA breaks	Service until 45 minutes after the RA breaks

SUNDAY, JULY 5 THROUGH MONDAY, JULY 6

8:40 am - 9:40 am	Transfer from Route Hotels to the Colorado Convention Center
Buses depart as filled	
6:00 pm	Transfer from the Colorado Convention Center to Route Hotels
or after RA breaks	Service until 45 minutes after the RA breaks

TUESDAY, JULY 7

8:30 am - 9:15 am	Transfer from Route Hotels to the Colorado Convention Center
Buses depart as filled	
6:00 pm	Transfer from the Colorado Convention Center to Route Hotels
or after RA breaks	Service until 45 minutes after the RA breaks

Transportation Managed by: TCS Transportation (a division of The Convention Store, Inc.)

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SECURING THE 2026 NEA REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Safety and security considerations are integrated into every aspect of planning the NEA Representative Assembly. NEA's Office of Risk and Operations Management works closely with the Denver Convention Center, local and state law enforcement agencies, and third-party security providers to help ensure a safe and secure environment for delegates, guests, and staff attending the 2026 NEA Representative Assembly in Denver, Colorado.

If you feel physically unsafe at any time during the RA, you can report that at [this link](#), and someone will respond ASAP. The following QR code will also take you to the reporting form:



Infiltrators, Secret Recording, and Potential Bad Actors

At NEA events, we want all members to feel safe, respected, and able to participate freely. Unfortunately, outside activists with malicious intent have at times attempted to secretly record union members, staff, and leaders to create misleading or manipulated content. Unfortunately, these manipulated videos are harmful to individuals and our profession.

One of the recent actors in this sphere is Nick Shirley whose Minnesota fraud story went viral. Remember that outside the convention center, there may be people who want to listen to and record your conversations and exercise your best judgment when discussing RA or NEA business in external spaces.

To keep everyone safe, we recommend following security precautions to prevent infiltration and secret recording.

- Always wear your badge inside the RA.
 - Everyone attending the RA will be registered, have badges, and are required to wear them at all times in the convening.
- Take off your badge outside the RA.
 - Outside the RA, your badge is an indicator of who you are and what event you are attending. This may make you a target for bad actors who want to secretly record you and use that to create manipulated content.
- Always be aware of your surroundings.

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- No need to be alarmed but please be aware that whether you are at the conference, walking around town or even at a restaurant, it's possible someone is listening or recording your interactions.
- Verify who people are.
 - Infiltrators will use fake identities. If someone does not have a badge, please let RA staff know. If they do have a badge, ensure that the information they are telling you matches.
- Avoid speaking to press.
 - Press should always have press passes and be accompanied by an NEA Communications staffer. If they do not, let NEA staff know.
 - There will be designated spokespeople to talk to press.
 - It is ok to walk away from any conversation politely. Just say, "Thank you, but I'd rather not discuss this."
- Walk away if you are uncomfortable.
 - If you feel uncomfortable with an interaction, don't worry about being rude – just walk away. Let an NEA or affiliate staff member know if things escalate, or you feel suspicious about an interaction.
 - Do not engage with people who disrupt, provoke, or are hostile. Instead, let a staff person know about the situation.
 - Be boring! If you think you are being secretly recorded or someone is engaging in conversation to provoke you, simply repeat a phrase like "I don't want to talk right now."

SAFETY & SECURITY TIPS

- **For emergencies in the convention center, call the 24-hour Security Base Station at 303-228-8030.**
- Familiarize yourself with your hotel's evacuation plan and the closest exits from your room.
- Familiarize yourself with the emergency exits at the convention center.
- Never leave valuables unattended

Out and About

- Be aware of your surroundings and other people.
- When away from the Annual Meeting events, remove your credentials badge.
- Never flash sums of money or expensive items in public.
- Do not place your purse on the back of your chair in public areas.
- Use hotel safe deposit boxes for valuables.
- Travel in groups where possible.
- When using an automatic teller machine, use one in a well-lighted, populated area, preferably in the company of others.
- Regardless of how secure a convention center environment may appear, keep your valuables in a safe place where you can keep an eye on them at all times.
- Use security locks when in your hotel room.
- Never open your hotel room door to a stranger. Verify a visit by hotel personnel with the front desk.
- Beware of distractions set up by potential pickpockets on the street or in crowds.
- Carry money separately from credit cards.
- Carry purses close to your body and wallets in secure pockets.
- Avoid poorly lit areas.

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At the Hotel

- In an emergency, contact your state's conference coordinator immediately. They will work directly with hotel security and management to take necessary actions.
- Familiarize yourself with your hotel's evacuation plan and the closest exits from your room. All hotels have evacuation plans posted on the back of the hotel room doors.
- Use the hotel safe in your guestroom for valuables.
- Use security locks when in your hotel room.
- Never open your hotel room door to a stranger. Verify a visit by hotel personnel with the front desk.
- Do not share your hotel room keys.
- Never give a stranger your room number.

At the Convention Center

- If you see something, say something!
- Security screening will be set up at the main entrances and the accessibility services entrance.
- Please familiarize yourself with the location of emergency exits.
- Do not leave laptops or other electronic devices unattended.
- Keep valuables in a secure place where they remain visible to you at all times.
- Badges are required for access. As an added security measure, RA badges will now have a photo.
- Floor plans showing AED locations will be included in the program book.
- EMS will be located near the RA floor to respond quickly to medical emergencies.
- Security presence at the convention center will include:
 - Open-gate large-volume magnetometers for walk-through security screening.
 - Unarmed uniformed security officers
 - Uniformed off-duty armed police officers
 - Canine units
 - Volunteer badge checkers

Cybersecurity

- Be wary of emails that feature fake logos, urgent messages, or requests for personal details and payments.
- Always confirm event information through channels and never click on suspicious links or share sensitive information via email or unsecure Wi-Fi
- Never click on suspicious links or download attachments from unknown or suspicious sources.
- Never share sensitive information via email or open/unsecured Wi-Fi
- **Check the sender's email address** and look for suspicious or unexpected emails.
- Be extra cautious of urgent or threatening language in emails, as well as emails that request sensitive information.
- Always verify the authenticity of an email that seems suspicious. Contact the sender directly (by "known" phone or text if possible) as a compromised email account may be monitored by the attacker.

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Immigration Enforcement – Know your rights

Report Immigration Enforcement Activity

- Immigration enforcement activity can be reported to the Colorado Immigration Rights Coalition (CIRC) hotline: 1-844-864-8341.
- Denver has strong protections for immigrant rights, including limits on police collaboration with ICE.
- During the RA and Pre-Conference events, the Colorado Convention Center is a non-public space. ICE may NOT enter without a judicial warrant.
- Avoid actions that reasonably can be understood as specifically warning individuals you know to be undocumented that an ICE action is underway. General warnings are protected speech under the First Amendment, but warnings to prevent enforcement can be a federal crime.

Right to Observe and Report

- If it is possible and safe to do so, take photos, video, and/or notes. If you choose to record, make it obvious that you are recording.
- You must not interfere or obstruct ICE while they are carrying out their duties

If you are questioned by law enforcement

- You always have the right to remain silent. Carry a rights card (Red Card).
- If you choose to speak, do not lie.
- Do not run. If stopped, ask if you are free to leave and walk away slowly if the answer is yes
- If you are over 18 and are not a U.S. citizen, always carry evidence of your valid immigration documents with you. Do not carry false documents or papers from another country with you, like a foreign passport

If you are arrested or detained by ICE:

- Exercise your right to remain silent
- State that you want to speak to your attorney. Do not answer questions or sign anything without your attorney.
- If you or a fellow NEA delegate is arrested or detained by ICE, in addition to contacting your attorney, inform your state president or their designee, who can contact NEA for additional support.

For more information about safely observing and documenting ICE activity, see NEA guidance at <https://www.nea.org/resource-library/observe-document-ice-activity>

For more detailed Know Your Rights information, see NEA's guidance [Know Your Rights](#)

Visit Denver “Downtown for All Program”

The City and County of Denver, Visit Denver, the Downtown Denver Partnership, and the local business community are working together to support a downtown environment that is safe, welcoming, and vibrant for residents, visitors, and attendees.

As part of the **Downtown for All** program, several key initiatives are in place to enhance safety, security, and quality of life throughout the downtown area, including:

- A dedicated downtown police unit with increased patrols, including officers on foot, bicycles, motorcycles, and mounted units.
- 24/7 Regional Transportation District (RTD) police presence in Lower Downtown (LoDo), Union Station, and transit areas.

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- The Support Team Assisted Response (STAR) program provides trained paramedics and mental health clinicians to respond to non-violent emergency situations.
- A shared radio communication network that connects downtown security personnel, hotels, and building security teams with law enforcement to support faster response and coordination.
- Enhanced city services, including additional infrastructure support and increased cleanliness resources through the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure.

Clean and Safe Downtown Initiative

The Clean and Safe Downtown Initiative includes:

- Keeping downtown camping-free
- A rapid response “Clean and Safe” reporting app
- Denver Ambassadors in yellow vests
- A 24/7 security team patrolling high traffic areas
- Expanded surveillance with HALO cameras
- Visit Denver partners with the Colorado Convention Center, Downtown Denver Partnership and the Denver Police Department to ensure appropriate security coverage is provided during convention in the convention corridor.

You can download the Clean and Safe app here: [Apple Store](#) [Google Play](#)

High Altitude and Weather Tips

Denver really is a Mile High, but most people don’t even notice the altitude difference. The air is just thinner and dryer. It’s best to follow these tips to stay happy and healthy.

- **Stay Hydrated:** Drink plenty of water before and during your time in Denver to help your body adjust
- **Pace your alcohol intake:** Golf balls go ten percent farther...and so do cocktails. Cheers in moderation!
- **Eat potassium rich foods:** Bananas, avocados, and leafy greens help balance electrolytes
- **Watch your physical activity:** Even seasoned athletes feel the difference in Denver. If you are active, consider easing into your routine.
- **Pack for sun:** The sky really is bluer in Colorado, but there’s 25% less protection from the sun. Sunscreen, sunglasses, a hat and SPF lip balm are essentials
- **Dress in layers:** Denver days can be sunny and warm, but mornings and evenings are often cool

Important Emergency Phone Numbers

[Police, Fire & Medical Emergency:](#) 911

[Non-Emergency:](#) (720) 913-2000

Health and Wellness Guidance

- Individuals remain responsible for deciding how best to protect themselves. As a union, we will continue to emphasize the core principle of promoting a culture of protecting our collective health.
- Individuals who are experiencing new or atypical symptoms of an illness that may be transmitted when in close contact with others should refrain from attending the RA.

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- Individuals who are immunocompromised or at higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19 should consult with their healthcare provider to determine what mitigation measures they should employ as they navigate public spaces, including spaces where there is expected to be large numbers of participants.
- NEA expects that all who participate in NEA meetings and events treat each other with respect and care as we navigate personal decisions that may impact the health and safety of others which may include wearing a mask if you are unsure of your health status.

Medical Assistance

For life-threatening situations, immediately call 911. Life-threatening situations include an apparent heart attack, stroke, or other significant injury.

If you require non-life-threatening first aid while at the convention center, notify your manager and visit NEA's Emergency Medical Services, located in Delegate Services.

In addition to the Emergency Medical Service Room in Delegate Experience, there is an Express Emergency Medical Services area in the A Lobby. The NEA Emergency Medical Services will be open July 3 – July 7 only.

HEALTHCARE FACILITIES AND PHARMACIES

Hospitals/Emergency Rooms

Denver Health
777 Bannock Street
303-435-6000

Saint Joseph Hospital
1375 E 19th Ave
303-812-2000

Urgent Care

Denver Health Urgent Care
1545 California Street
303-602-6500
Mon- Thurs 7:00 am – 7:00 pm
Closed Friday - Sunday

Pharmacies

CVS Pharmacy
750 16th Street
303-534-1182
Daily 8:00 am – 8:00 pm

Walgreens Pharmacy
801 16th Street Mall
303-571-5314
Mon – Sat – 10am – 1:30 pm, 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm