



General Conference Information

On-Site Registration

The ASCD Conference Registration Desk will be located at the Hilton Americas–Houston on Level Two. ASCD staff members will be available to assist you.

Bypass Registration

If you have registered for the ASCD Summer Conference, you should have received all of your materials (name badge and tickets) via U.S. Mail. Make sure you bring these items with you. Unless you have specific questions or need additional information, you do not need to stop by the ASCD Registration Area.

Conference Badges and Tickets

Your name badge, session tickets, and materials ticket have been mailed to you via U.S. mail. Make sure you bring these items with you. Please wear your name badge at all times while attending the conference.

Tickets for Sessions

You will be required to present a ticket to attend sessions. If you have not selected tickets for the sessions, please contact the ASCD Service Center immediately at 1-800-933-2723, then press 1. You will not be able to attend sessions without a ticket. The Welcome Reception does not require a ticket.

If you would like to exchange session tickets, you may do so at the ASCD Conference Registration Desk. Session tickets are limited and are available for exchange on a first-come, first-served basis.

Pick Up Your Conference Bag

To receive your conference bag, present the materials ticket that is attached to your conference badge. The conference bag will contain the conference program book and other important

conference information. You may pick up your conference bag during the Welcome Reception in the ASCD Center on Thursday, June 25, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., or during regular hours at the ASCD registration desk. **Each attendee will receive only one conference bag.**

ASCD Resources

ASCD Resources Center

Stop by the ASCD Resources Center in Ballroom of the Americas A, Level Two, to browse the rich selection of ASCD books and pick up samples of *Educational Leadership* magazine and ASCD resources catalogs. We look forward to seeing you there!

The Resource Center will be open during the following hours:

Thursday, June 25	5:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
Friday, June 26	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 27	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 28	9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon

Conference Daily

Visit www.ascd.org/conferencedaily for all the coverage on Summer Conference. The Web site makes it easy for you to find the information you need about ASCD and its products. It also provides access to other sources of education information.

Participant Welcome Reception

Making Connections Reception

Thursday, June 25, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Ballroom of the Americas Foyer, Level Two, Hilton Americas–Houston

Enjoy the relaxed atmosphere as you meet and network with colleagues from around the world. Light snacks and a cash bar will be available. No ticket required, just wear your conference name badge.

Food and Beverage

Coffee, tea, and pastries will be available each morning of the conference. Soft drinks will be available during the afternoon breaks. Participants are responsible for all other meals during the conference.

Conference Schedule

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Registration Hours

Thursday, June 25	5:00–7:00 p.m.
Friday, June 26	7:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 27	7:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 28	7:00 a.m.–12:00 noon

Thursday, June 25

8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.	Pre-Conference Institutes
5:00–7:00 p.m.	Welcome Reception

Friday, June 25

8:00–10:00 a.m.	2-hour Morning Sessions
8:30–11:30 a.m.	3-hour Morning Sessions
10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	2-hour Mid-Morning Sessions
1:00–4:00 p.m.	3-hour Afternoon Sessions
2:00–4:00 p.m.	2-hour Afternoon Sessions

Saturday, June 27

8:00–10:00 a.m.	2-hour Morning Sessions
8:30–11:30 a.m.	3-hour Morning Sessions
10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	2-hour Mid-Morning Sessions

1:00–4:00 p.m.	3-hour Afternoon Sessions
2:00–4:00 p.m.	2-hour Afternoon Sessions

Sunday, June 28

8:00–10:00 a.m.	2-hour Morning Sessions
8:30–11:30 a.m.	3-hour Morning Sessions
10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	2-hour Mid-Morning Sessions

Getting Around Houston

Airport Shuttle

SuperShuttle is offering ASCD conference attendees a discount on transportation services to and from the airport in Houston. Please be sure to visit [Super Shuttle](#) online to obtain your discount.

When making your reservations, enter the **discount code** "G2ZQE" and the **group name** "ASCD 2009 – Summer Conference."

George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH)

When you arrive at the airport, collect your luggage and proceed to the SuperShuttle ticket counter located in the baggage claim area of Terminals A, B, C, or E. Please have either your confirmation number or group name and discount code ready to present to the guest service representative at the ticket counter.

Once you are checked in at the counter, you will receive a boarding pass and the guest service representative will escort you to your van. Please note this may take between 15 and 20 minutes.

William P. Hobby Airport (HOU)

When you arrive at the airport, collect your luggage and proceed to the SuperShuttle ticket counter located in the baggage claim area of the Terminal (there is only one terminal at Hobby airport). After you've collected your luggage, look for the counter in the far right corner of the baggage claim area (when you are facing away from the baggage carousels). Please have either your confirmation number or group name and discount code ready to present to the guest service representative at the ticket counter.

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Public Transportation

Houston offers a variety of accessible transportation to sightsee around downtown. This includes \$6 cab fare anywhere downtown, \$2 day passes for metro, and local bus service. To find out more about schedules, fares, and maps, visit [Houston–Transportation](#).

Attractions and Entertainment

Need Dinner Plans?

With more than 5,000 restaurants to choose from, you will find a wide variety of culinary cuisines downtown. To make dinner reservations or research local dining, visit [A Taste of Houston](#).

Within Walking Distance:

- [The Grove](#)
- [Quattro at Four Seasons](#)
- [Massa's Seafood Grill](#)
- [Spencer's at Hilton Americas](#)

Experience Houston

All conference sessions and activities will be held at the Hilton Americas–Houston. The hotel is located in the center of the downtown financial district.

When not attending conference sessions, be sure to take in all the sites in downtown Houston, the fourth largest city in Texas. Nearby attractions include numerous museums, [the Space Center](#), [the Houston zoo](#), some of the greatest performing art theaters, and [the downtown Aquarium](#), just to name a few. If you are a shopper, be sure to visit The Galleria, which is the fourth largest mall in the country with 375 shops!

To find more attractions, visit [Attractions and More](#).