



Celebrating a century of service! Get ready for the 2025 Louisiana-Mississippi-West Tennessee Key Club District Convention in Tupelo, Mississippi, April 4-6. Make connections with Key Club members from around the district, take your service to new levels of impact, get important updates on exciting projects and opportunities from Key Club partners and more!

You'll want to hit the ground running when you arrive in Tupelo, so be sure to complete all the required forms for attendance and review the registration materials well before you pack your bags.

All attendees must bring printed copies of the required forms. Review and sign the Code of Conduct. Ask your parent or guardian to complete the medical authorization form and the photo release form. These forms must be completed and turned into your chaperone.

Chaperones: Printed copies of your students' forms should be turned into the registration desk from 2 PM to 4:30 PM, Friday, April 4. You should keep a copy of the medical form for each student in your group.

Please note: All attendees, chaperones and members — including adults — must submit the required Code of Conduct, medical authorization and publicity waiver forms.





Schedule

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

General attendees wear business casual. All candidates wear business professional.

2:00 - 4:30 PM Registration

4:30 - 6:30 PM Dinner on your own

6:30 - 6:55 PM Candidates Meeting (for

candidates and advisors)

7:00 - 8:30 PM Opening Session

8:45 - 10:00 PM Caucusing

10:15 - 11:15 PM Birthday Party

11:30 PM Curfew

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

General attendees wear convention shirt and bottoms (no shorts or ripped jeans). Districtwide candidates wear business professional.

Contest Preliminaries 8:00 - 9:00 AM

9:00 - 10:30 AM General Session

10:40 - 11:20 AM Workshops Round 1

11:30 - 12:10 PM Workshops Round 2

Lunch on your own 12:20 - 2:00 PM Thirst Walk

12:20 - 4:00 PM

All attendees wear business professional.

4:00 - 5:00 PM House of Delegates

All attendees wear business professional, semiformal attire, or cultural wear.

7:30 - 9:30 PM Awards Banquet and

Talent Show

9:45 - 11:00 PM Governor's Ball

11:30 PM Curfew

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

All attendees wear business professional.

9:30 - 11:30 AM Governor's Farewell

Brunch

The schedule is tentative and subject to change.

Dress Code

The Key Club International dress code will be in during all official meetings of the convention as noted in the convention program. All participants are expected to abide by the dress requirements.

BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL/CULTURAL HERITAGE/ **SEMIFORMAL**

Dress shirt, slacks, necktie, sport or suit coat, dress or skirt with appropriate shoes.

BUSINESS CASUAL

Slacks, skirt, collared shirt, blouse and appropriate shoes.

KEY CLUB SPIRIT WEAR

Convention shirt, jeans, and casual footwear.

RESTRICTIONS

At no time will any clothing with inappropriate language or graphics be allowed. Any shirts or skirts deemed to be of inappropriate length will not be allowed. Remember to wear your name badge for all convention events.





Thirst Walk Registration

Join us for the Thirst Walk at District Convention to support the Governor's Project "Pour It Forward" in support of the Thirst Project! It's not too late to register—just raise a minimum of \$10 to participate. If you raise \$10-\$24, your lunch on Saturday, April 5, (pizza, water, and soft drinks) is provided. While the deadline to register for a +\$25 donation has passed, you can still raise over \$25, we have a few extra shirts available or we'll send you a limited-edition Thirst Project Convention shirt after the event. Register using the registration form. The top two individual fundraiers will recieve a trophy at the Awards Banquet. Encourage others to join so we can reach our \$12,000 goal and make a lasting impact!

Lieutenant Governor Vacancies

We have several open Lieutenant Governor positions, and we need passionate leaders to step up! If no one from your division is running, this is your chance to represent your clubs and make a difference. As Lieutenant Governor, you are the chief officer of your division and the key communicator between the district and your clubs. Your responsibilities include:

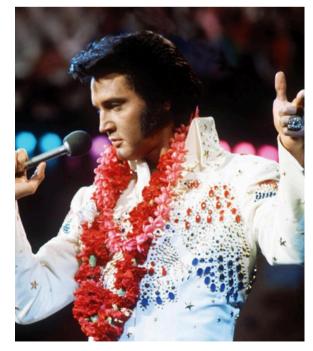
- Sending monthly communications and staying in touch with club officers.
- Holding Divisional Council Meetings (DCMs) and updating clubs on district and international news.
- Planning Fall Rallies and helping organize District Convention.
- Serving on district committees and working closely with the District Board.
- Attending and actively participating in all board meetings and trainings.

If you are interested in running, please contact lmtkcdadanny@gmail.com or governorlmtkcsameen@gmail.com. Be sure to review the Service Agreement for a full list of responsibilities and expectations. Step up and lead your division to success!

Talent Show Submissions

Think you've got talent? Unleash your inner Elvis Presley! It's not too late to register for the DCON Talent Show! To participate, submit a video of your act using this form by March 28 for the preliminaries. Complete the form that includes a link to your video and email the form to lmtkcdadanny@gmail.com. Our judges will select the top three acts to perform during the Awards & Talent Show at District Convention.

Clubs whose acts are chosen will receive a \$100 check—so bring your best performance! Don't miss this chance to showcase your talent and make DCON unforgettable!







Contests Update

It is not too late to participate in any of our contests. Most forms and contest entries are due at Registration on Friday, April 4, except the talent and video contests (see below). We especially encourage clubs to enter the club contests Single Service, Major Emphasis, and James C. Casserly contests. Those have historically had a few entries and this is an opportunity for your club to receive district-level recognition for all of the great service you have done this past year. There are also many individual awards that allow clubs to recognize outstanding club members, officers, and advisors. Help celebrate the hard work of these individuals at District Convention.

New form: Governor's Project Fundraising for Thirst Project <u>Report Form</u>—must be turned in at registration.

- <u>Distinguished Club Award (Achievement Report)</u>—Only clubs who have submitted their Achievement Report can have two voting delegates.
- Key Facts Contest Entry Form Study Guide
- Impromptu Essay Contest Entry Form
- <u>Talent Show Entry Form</u> (individual form that includes a link to the submission emailed to <u>Imtkcdadanny@gmail.com</u> <u>deadline</u>: <u>March 28, 2025</u>)
- <u>Video Contest Entry Form</u> (individual form that includes a link to the submission emailed to <u>Imtkcdadanny@gmail.com</u> <u>deadline</u>: <u>March 28, 2025</u>)
- Poster Contest Entry Form (Clubs eligible to enter EITHER the digital OR non-digital poster contest)
- Year-In-Review Scrapbook Contest Entry Form
- Oratorical Contest Entry Form
- Outstanding Freshman Nomination Form
- Outstanding Sophomore Nomination Form
- Outstanding Junior Nomination Form
- Outstanding Senior Nomination Form
- <u>Single Service Award</u>
- Major Emphasis Award
- James C. Casserly Outstanding Key Club Award Nomination
- Sandy Nininger Outstanding Key Clubber Nomination
- Phil Gugliuzza Outstanding Club President Nomination
- Outstanding Club Vice President Nomination
- Outstanding Club Secretary Nomination
- Outstanding Club Treasurer Nomination
- <u>Lawrence C. Catha Outstanding Faculty Advisor Nomination</u>
- James A. Smith, Il Outstanding Kiwanian Nomination

New Officer Form

One of the questions from the Achievement Report is to submit your newly elected officers for the 25-26 school year. Although it was included as part of the registration process, some of you may not have elected your officers by that time. You can use **this link** to complete that requirement.







Centerpiece Contest

Each school is invited to craft their own centerpiece(s) for DCON tables. Centerpieces should reflect the "Happy 100th Birthday Key Club!" theme while celebrating everything that makes Key Club special. The school displaying the most original, creative, and eye-catching designs will win a pizza party (up to \$150) for their school's Key Club which can be redeemed until September 2025. Schools should make one centerpiece but are free to enter as many times as they wish.

Delegate Information

Each Key Club can select two delegates and two alternates to represent the club at the House of Delegates at the 2025 LaMissTenn District Convention. Delegates will elect the 2025-26 LaMissTenn District Board and vote on any proposed amendments to the bylaws. Delegates must be certified at the time of registration. Only clubs how have submitted their Achievement Report at Registration are allowed to have two delegates.

Chaperone Requirement

In order to be a chaperone for a Key Club overnight event - like a District Convention - Key Club International has established some requirements that must be met.

Kiwanis Youth Protection Chaperone Requirements

Summary of requirements

- All adults chaperoning at a Key Club convention must pass a background check from Kiwanis International
- All adults chaperoning at a Key Club convention must also complete required Praesidium Courses.
 - Faculty and Kiwanis Advisors complete 6 courses (valid for 2 years)
 - Other adult chaperones complete 3 courses

Important Forms

Be sure to review the various forms below. You and your parent/guardian must sign these forms before you can participate in convention activities. You must sign and bring all forms to convention which will be turned in at registration on Friday, April 4. The delegate form is only required for delegates.

- Code of Conduct & Parental Consent
- Medical Authorization
- Photo Release
- Certification of Delegates

