82nd ANNUAL LAMISSTENN KEY CLUB CONVENTION





April 4-6, 2025 Cadence Bank Arena Tupelo, Mississippi

Letter of Welcome from District Governor

Hello, and welcome to the 82nd annual Louisiana-Mississippi-West Tennessee Key Club District Convention: Celebrating 100 Years of Service! This



weekend, we come together not just to celebrate a year of service, but to honor a century of impact. For 100 years, Key Club has been shaping servant leaders with the passion to serve and the drive to make a difference. As we gather here, we reflect on the past, celebrate the present, and prepare for the future of service.

Reflection is a powerful tool, and this weekend, I encourage each of you to take a step back and think about your journey—how you have grown, the friendships you have made, and the difference you have created in your homes, schools, and communities. As for me, this convention marks the culmination of not only my time as your District Governor but also my high school years. I have spent this time learning, leading, and, most importantly, serving. From my first Key Club meeting to being with you this weekend, every moment has been a step towards something greater than myself.

When I ran for office, I asked you to "STICK with Sameen": to Spotlight, Teach, Include, Communicate, and strengthen the K-Family. Over this past year, we have done just that. We have raised thousands for the Thirst Project, revitalized clubs, and expanded opportunities for members across our district. But beyond the numbers and the milestones, we have built a stronger, more connected Key Club community that will continue to thrive long after my term ends.

This weekend is about you. It's about celebrating the service that makes our district extraordinary. As you attend workshops, compete in spirit, and forge new friendships, remember that you are part of something bigger—a movement that has transformed lives for 100 years and will continue to do so for 100 more.

Please do not hesitate to reach out anytime during the weekend. I am beyond grateful for the opportunity to have served alongside you. Thank you for STICKing with me every step of the way.

Yours in Friendship and Service, Sameen Enam governorlmtkcsameen@gmail.com

FRIDAY, APRIL 4th

2:00pm-4:30pm	Registration, Lobby		
4:30pm-6:30pm	Dinner on your own		
6:30pm	Conference for All Candidates & Advisors <i>Pine, Required for anyone (and their Advisors)</i> <i>interested in running for District Office.</i>		
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FRIDAY, APRIL 4th

8:45pm-10:00pm **Caucusing** (LG & DWC) Dress: If running for office, business professional; if not, business casual.

Presiding: Elections Chair Ethan Schmidt, KCI Trustee Divisions 1A, 2, & 10: *Poplar* Division 4A: *Cedar* Division 4B: *Maple* Division 7A: *Mimosa* Divisions 8E, 13, & 14N: *Elm* Divisions 11 & 12: *Pine*

10:15pm-11:15pm

Key Club's 100th Birthday Party

Sweetgum, Magnolia, & Oak Welcome: Sameen Enam, Governor, & Ethan Schmidt, KCI Trustee 100th Birthday Party Skit: District Board W.B. Sims Concert

11:30pm **Curfew:** Everyone is expected to be in their own room, with the door and drapes closed. Any food or beverages need to be acquired in advance of curfew. No exceptions!



CONVENTION AGENDA SATURDAY, APRIL 5th

Breakfast on your own

8:00am-9:00am	Contest Preliminaries:
	*Talent will be pre-judged through video submissions
	Oratorical Contest, Pine
	Impromptu Essay Contest, Maple
	Key Facts Preliminaries, Cedar

9:00am-12:00pm Contest Judging (judges only), Pine

General Session, Sweetgum, Magnolia, & Oak 9:00am-10:30am Dress: convention shirt, jeans (no shorts or ripped jeans), tennis shoes Official Call to Order: Sameen Enam, Governor Pledge of Allegiance: Lyndsey Griffith, Div 4B LG Invocation: Payton Cooper, Div 8E LG Key Club Pledge: Angel Cooper, Bulletin Editor Introduction of Kiwanis Governor: Sameen Enam. Governor Greetings from Kiwanis: Claude Vinson, Kiwanis Governor Introduction of 24-25 Circle K Governor: Sameen Enam, Governor Greetings from Shannon Lee, 24-25 Circle K District Governor Salute to New & Reactivated Clubs: Ryleigh Johnson, Sec-Treas General Caucusing of DWC: Sameen Enam, Governor & Ethan Schmidt, KCI Trustee Introduction of Thirst Project Representative: Ryleigh Johnson, Sec-Treas Thirst Project Presentation: Andrew Reese, Director of School Programs Announcements: Lexie Sessums, Div 2 LG Adjournment: Sameen Enam, Governor

SATURDAY, APRIL 5th

10:40am-11:20am Round 1 Educational Workshops

Dress: convention shirt, jeans, tennis shoes

President/Vice President Training, Mimosa

Presenter: Sean Cummings, Div 12 LG

For 100 years, great Key Člubs have started with great leaders. Learn how to motivate members, run efficient meetings, and leave a lasting impact on your club and community!

Partners through the Decades, Poplar

Presenter: Ethan Schmidt, KCI Trustee

Key Club's service legacy was built alongside incredible partners. Explore how these partnerships have shaped our impact and how your club can continue the tradition today!

From Service to Leadership: Your Key to Office, Maple

Presenter: Lexie Sessums, Div 2 Key Club's legacy is written by those who step up to lead. Get the tools, tips, and confidence to run a strong campaign and shape the next century of service!

Mastering the ACT: Essential Prep Strategies, Pine Presenter: Gloria Reounodji, LG At-Large

For 100 years, Key Club has helped students build bright futures now it's your turn! Get expert tips, strategies, and resources to boost your ACT score and open doors to new opportunities.

Leveraging Your Key Club Skills Beyond High School, Cedar Presenter: Mai Nguyen, Div 4A LG

The leadership, service, and teamwork you've built in Key Club don't end at graduation. Learn how to use these skills to stand out in college, careers, and beyond!

100 Years of Key Club, Elm

Presenter: Lexi Carpenter, LG At-Large

From one club in 1925 to a global movement today, Key Club has shaped generations of servant leaders. Take a journey through our history and discover how your role today connects to a century of impact!

SATURDAY, APRIL 5th

Thirst Project, Main Ballroom

Presenter: Andrew Reese, Director of School Programs Key Clubbers have spent 100 years tackling global issues—now, it's time to fight the water crisis. Learn how the Thirst Project is changing lives and how your club can be part of the solution!

Stress Management, Cherry

Presenter: Alex Crosser

Leading and serving for 100 years has taught Key Clubbers a lot including how to handle stress! Discover simple, effective ways to manage school, leadership, and life while keeping your well-being a priority.

Line Dancing, Dogwood

Presenter: W.B. Sims, KCI Past President

Get ready to step, stomp, and celebrate 100 years of Key Club with some classic line dancing! Join Past International President W.B. Sims for a fun, high-energy session you won't forget.

11:30am-12:10pm Round 2 Educational Workshops

Dress: convention shirt, jeans, tennis shoes

Secretary-Treasurer Training, Mimosa

Presenter: Ryleigh Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer For 100 years, strong clubs have relied on organized and efficient leaders. Learn how to track finances, take great minutes, and keep your club running smoothly!

Legacy of Service, 100 Years in the Making, Poplar

Presenter: Lyndsey Griffith, Div 4B LG

Help us celebrate 100 years of Key Club by writing letters to future members attending the 100th Annual DCON! Share your stories, wisdom, and encouragement to inspire the next generation of servant leaders.

Global Dancy Party - A Just Dance Cultural Experience, Dogwood Presenter: AngelMarie Cooper, Bulletin

Key Club has brought people together for a century—now it's time to dance! Join us for an electrifying Just Dance party featuring music from around the world.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5th

Navigating College Admissions the Key Club Way, Pine Presenter: Payton Cooper, Div 8E LG

For decades, Key Clubbers have taken their leadership skills to the next level—now it's your turn! Get expert advice on applications, essays, and scholarships to make your college dreams a reality.

Youth Opportunities Fund, Elm

Presenter: Sean Cummings, Div 12 LG For 100 years, Key Clubbers have turned big ideas into action. Learn how to apply for YOF grants to fund your next great service project!

Leveraging Your Key Club Skills Beyond High School, Cedar Presenter: Mai Nguyen, Div 4A LG

The leadership, service, and teamwork you've built in Key Club don't end at graduation. Learn how to use these skills to stand out in college, careers, and beyond!

Likes, Shares, and Service - Growing Key Club Online, Maple Presenter: Sindi Wang, Webmaster

Key Club has evolved over the last century, and so has the way we communicate! Discover how to use social media to promote your club, engage members, and showcase your service.

Stress Management, Cherry

Presenter: Alex Crosser

Serving for 100 years has taught Key Clubbers a lot—including how to handle stress! Discover simple, effective ways to manage school, leadership, and life while keeping your well-being a priority.

Advising the Next Generation: A Century in the Making: Main Ballroom

Presenter: District Administrators

For 100 years, dedicated advisors have guided Key Clubbers to success. Connect with fellow advisors, share best practices, and learn how to support today's members as they lead us into the next century!

12:20pm-4:00pm Lunch own your own & Free Time

12:20pm-2:00pm Thirst Walk with lunch, East Parking Lot

4:00pm-5:00pm House of Delegates & Elections, Cherry Dress: If running for office, business professional; if not, business casual.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5th

7:30pm

Saturday Night Banquet including Dinner, Awards, Talent Show & Key Facts Finals

Sweetgum, Magnolia, & Oak Dress: business professional/semiformal attire

Introduction of the District Board of Trustees Call to Order: Sameen Enam, Governor Pledge of Allegiance: Sean Cummings, Div 12 LG Invocation: Lyndsey Griffith, Div 4B LG Key Club Pledge: Lexie Sessum, Div 2 LG

Contests: Sameen Enam, Governor & Ryleigh Johnson, Sec-Treas Outstanding Club Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President Phil Gugliuzza Outstanding Club President Talent Act #1 Outstanding Freshman, Sophomore, Junior & Senior Sandy Nininger Outstanding Key Clubber Impromptu Essay Contest Award Oratory Contest Winner's Speech Key Club Family Feud (Key Facts Contest) - Round 1 Thirst Project Recognitions Recognition of Clubs who participated in Governor's Project Recognition of Individuals for top Thirst Contributors Talent Act #2 Scrapbook Contest Award Club Video Award Poster Contest Award Key Club Family Feud (Key Facts Contest) - Round 2 Talent Act #3 Key Club Family Feud (Key Facts Contest) - Round 3 Announcements & Adjournment: Sameen Enam, Governor

9:45pm-11:0	Opm Governor's Ball, Dogwood Dress: business professional/semiformal attire Advisors' Hospitality Room, Mimosa
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SUNDAY, APRIL 6th

9:30am -11:30am

Governor's Farewell Brunch

Sweetgum, Magnolia, ぐ Oak Dress: business professional

Call to Order: Sameen Enam, Governor Pledge of Allegiance: Selena Ye, Div 7 LG Key Club Pledge: Sindi Wang, Webmaster Invocation: Sean Cummings, Div 12 LG Introduction of Guests: Sameen Enam, Governor Update from Intl & Call to Convention: Ethan Schmit, KCI Trustee

Presentation of Club Awards: Sameen Enam, Governor &
Major Emphasis ProgramRyleigh Johnson, Sec-Treas
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Single Service Awards
Single Service Chris Holder Award
James C. Casserly Outstanding Key Club

Introduction of Governor: Ryleigh Johnson, Sec-Treas Governor's Farewell Address: Sameen Enam, Governor Retirement of 2024-2025 District Board: Claude Vinson, Kiwanis Governor Announcement of Election Results: Ethan Schmidt, KCI Trustee Installation of 2025-2026 District Board: Marcel Lashover, Kiwanis Governor-Elect

Exchanging of the Governor's Banner

Announcements and Adjournment: 2025-2026 District Governor

15 minutes after

Meeting of the 2025-2026 District Board *Elm* (~30 minutes)

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2025-2026

July 2-6, 2025: Key Club International Convention, Orlando, FL April 10-12, 2026: Key Club District Convention, Natchez, MS July 1-5, 2026: Key Club International Convention, Dallas, TX

LAMISSTENN DISTRICT KEY OF HONOR RECIPIENTS

The Key of Honor is the highest recognition award presented by the Key Club International Board, honoring either a person who has made a lifelong positive impact upon youth in general and Key Club specifically, or an organization that has shown long-term support of youth and Key Club programs.

The LaMissTenn District is extremely proud of the following Kiwanians and Advisors who have been presented the Key of Honor for their work with Key Clubs and the LaMissTenn District.

1944	James C. Casserly
1945	Carl Dolce
	Steve Rizan
1946	Max Derbes
	Bob Seymour
	Al Zimmerman
1949	Thomas Starnes
1951	M. M. Foy
1953	Frederick A. Youngs, Jr.
1960	Vincent A. Miranda
1976	Lawrence C. Catha
1977	John T. Roberts
1979	James A. Smith II
1980	Phil Guglinzza

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- 1986 Brother John Hotstream
- New Orleans, LA Alexandria, LA Monroe, LA Baton Rouge, LA

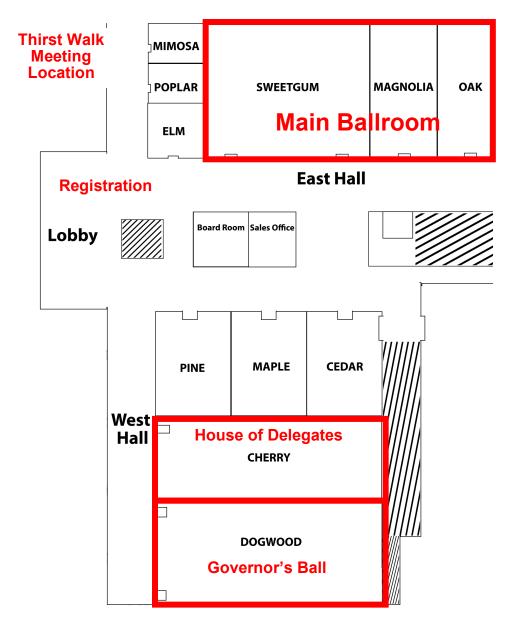




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VENUE MAP

CADENCE BANK ARENA EAST HALL & WEST HALL



CODE OF CONDUCT

GENERAL STATEMENT

Your Key Club District Board, the Sergeant-At-Arms Committee, and our Adult Advisors and Kiwanians urge everyone to enjoy the convention fully. To ensure proper behavior, the Board has adopted the following rules, "The Convention Code of Conduct," to assure the safety, comfort, and pleasure of everyone.

- 1. All convention attendees must be properly registered for the convention. All registrants and participants must wear their name badge in the appropriate manner, and wear their convention wristband at all times when they are outside of their hotel room.
- 2. All Key Clubbers and Advisors are REQUIRED to attend all convention general sessions and caucuses, as published in the official convention program.
- 3. No Key Clubber or Advisor will be permitted to leave the hotel property on Friday evening or Saturday evening beginning with the evening convention sessions and/or banquet, and ending the following mornings at 6:00 a.m. (without specific permission from the District Administrator.)

RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR

- 1. All Key Clubbers are expected to conduct themselves as responsible young adults, and are expected to attend all sessions and activities.
- 2. All participants are expected to abide by all government laws and regulations.
- 3. NO female Key Clubbers or guests are to be permitted in male Key Clubber's or guest's room. NO male Key Clubbers or guests are to be permitted in the room of any female Key Clubber or any other female guest.
- 4. Each Key Clubber will be responsible for all hotel property in his/her room and will be charged for any damages in that room. This applies to ALL convention participants. Everyone is advised to check the hotel room before occupying it. If any damage is evident prior to occupancy, Key Clubbers and Advisors are required to report the damages to the hotel desk and District Administrator IMMEDIATELY!
- 5. INTOXICANTS OF ANY NATURE (including beer, wine, drugs, etc.), SMOKING, OR VAPING will NOT be permitted in the possession of ANYONE at the convention.
- 6. Members are expected to abstain from any activity of a sexual nature.
- 7. Members may not possess weapons, firecrackers or anything of a dangerous nature.
- 8. Unnecessary noises are prohibited. "Unnecessary noises" are defined as, but not limited to such things as yelling in the hallways, excessive loud talking in the sleeping rooms, playing the TV/radio/or sound system on a high volume.

CODE OF CONDUCT

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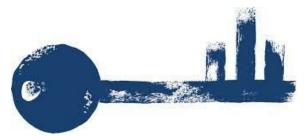
- 1. For security and liability reasons, everyone registering for the District Convention must stay in the official Convention Hotels.
- 2. A curfew of 12:00 am will be observed on Friday and 11:00pm on Saturday nights. Curfew ends at 6:00 AM.
- 3. Items within this section may be modified by the District Administrator.

DRESS CODE

- 1. All participants are expected to abide by the designated dress code for each session.
- 2. Friday, Opening Session: If running for office, business professional; if not, business casual.
- 3. Friday, Caucusing: If running for office, business professional; if not, business casual.
- 4. Saturday morning: convention shirt, jeans (no shorts or ripped jeans), tennis shoes
- 5. Saturday afternoon/House of Delegates: If running for office, business professional; if not, business casual.
- 6. Saturday, Banquet & Governor's Ball: business professional/party dress
- 7. Sunday, Governor's Farewell Brunch: business professional
- 8. Clothing which may cause distractions during the convention, in brief, dress apparel unbecoming of a Key Clubber will not be allowed.
- 9. All participants are required to wear name badges at all times when they are outside of their hotel room.

ENFORCEMENT

The District Board and/or District Administrator reserves the right to remove any person from the convention with a letter to his/her parents, school administration, and sponsoring Kiwanis Club for infractions of ANY of the above regulations, AND for conduct unbecoming of a Key Clubber.



2024-2025 KEY CLUB BOARD



Sameen Enam Governor Baton Rouge, LA



Ryleigh Johnson Secretary-Treasurer South Fulton, TN



AngelMarie Cooper Bulletin Editor Pearl, MS



Sindi Wang District Webmaster Lafayette, LA



Abigail Hardy Lt. Governor 1A South Fulton, TN



Lexie Sessums Lt. Governor 2 Pearl, MS



Mai Nguyen Lt. Governor 4A Westwego, LA



Lyndsey Griffith Lt. Governor 4B Kenner, LA



Selena Ye Lt. Governor 7 Lafayette, LA



Payton Cooper Lt. Governor 8E Baton Rouge, LA



Sean Cummings Lt. Governor 12 Jennings, LA



Emma Smith Lt. Governor 13 Ponchatoula, LA



Gloria Reounodji Lt. Governor At-large Baton Rouge, LA



Lexi Carpenter Lt. Governor 12 Pearl, MS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Names Badges: Everyone registered for the Convention was issued a name badge, which must be worn in plain sight at all times during the convention. Individuals not wearing their name badges will not be allowed admission into the Convention sessions.

Each Key Club is allowed 2 voting delegates. All such delegates should check in with the Credentials Desk during the normal registration period on Friday afternoon.

Convention Dress Code: The LaMissTenn District Board has established the official Dress Code for this convention to be "Professional Business Attire." Refer to the Convention Code of Conduct (page 12-13) for details. To further define this Dress Code, the dress for the convention should be similar to that worn on a professional business interview. Clothing which may cause distractions during the convention, in brief, dress unbecoming a Key Clubber, will not be allowed. For the Workshops, Key Clubbers are encouraged to wear their convention t-shirt with jeans or slacks (shorts, ripped jeans, and sweatpants are not allowed).

Convention Curfew is set for 12:00am on Friday and 11:00pm on Saturday nights. Everyone is expected to be in his or her own room. Curfew ends at 6:00 am. NO ONE is allowed to leave the hotel during convention sessions, or after curfew. VIOLATORS WILL BE SENT HOME!

Sergeant-At-Arms: Every adult attending the convention will serve on the Sergeant-At-Arms Committee.

A **Meeting of ALL Candidates** for District Office AND their Advisors will be held at 6:30pm on Friday in the Nashville Room. This is a required orientation meeting for all District position applicants and candidates AND their Faculty Advisors. Business professional.

2024-2025 ADULT TEAM



Danny Williams District Administrator Ponchatoula, LA



Jessica Hightower Assistant District Admin South Fulton, TN



Anna Kate Broussard Assistant District Admin Hattiesburg, MS



Jen Robertson Executive Director Pascagoula, MS

KEY CLUB CONVENTION



Register today!



Letter of Welcome from Key Club International Trustee



Hello LaMissTenn!

My name is Ethan Schmidt, and I have the pleasure of serving as your International Trustee! On behalf of both myself and the Key Club International Board, I sincerely welcome you to DCON! I hope you are ready to rock and roll this weekend!

We won't just be celebrating the 82 nd annual LaMissTenn, however. Key Club is freshly 100 years old---10 years older than Elvis! That only gives us more reason to celebrate!

This DCON, you will have the unique opportunity to attend engaging workshops delivered by your hardworking district board members. Whether you want to learn about service, Key Club's global initiatives, or connecting volunteerism to amusement, let these workshops be your one stop shop!

Let this DCON be a gateway experience that highlights the rest of your time in Key Club. Whether this may be your first or last DCON, take the time to enjoy it! Meet new friends, enjoy the sessions, and do not forget your purpose in being here: service, no matter the time nor place!

I sincerely hope that you all have an amazing DCON! If you ever have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out!

Yours in friendship and service, Ethan Schmidt

PROGRAM AT-A-GLANCE

FRIDAY, APRIL 4th

2:00pm - 4:30pm	Registration, Contest Entry Drop-Off		
4:30pm - 6:30pm	Dinner on your own		
6:30pm	Conference for All Candidates & Advisors Pine		
7:00pm - 8:30pm	Opening Session	Sweetgum, Magnolia, & Oak	
8:45pm - 10:00pm	Caucusing	Poplar, Cedar, Maple, Mimosa, Elm, Pine	
10:15 - 11:15pm	Key Club 100th Birthday Part	ty Sweetgum, Magnolia, & Oak	
11:30pm	Curfew		

SATURDAY, APRIL 5th

	Breakfast on your own	
8:00am - 9:00am	Oratorical Contest Preliminaries (<i>Pine</i>), Impromptu Essay Contest (<i>Maple</i>), Key Facts Preliminaries (<i>Cedar</i>)	
9:00am - 10:30am	Contest Judging (judges only) (Pine), General Session (Sweetgum, Magnolia, & Oak)	
10:45am - 11:15pm	Round 1 Educational Workshops	
11:30am - 12:00pm	Round 2 Educational Workshops	
12:00pm - 3:00pm	Lunch own your own & Free Time	
12:30pm - 2:00pm	Thirst Walk with lunch	East Entrance Parking Lot
4:00pm - 5:00pm	House of Delegates	Cherry
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Banquet, Awards, Talent Show & Key Facts Finals	
		Sweetgum, Magnolia, ぐ Oak
9:45pm - 11:00pm	Governor's Ball	Dogwood
	Advisors' Hospitality Room	Mimosa
11:30pm	Curfew	

SUNDAY, APRIL 8th

9:30am - 11:30am	Governor's Farewell Brunch	Sweetgum, Magnolia, ර	° Oak
	Retirement of 2024-2025 District Board		
	Induction of 2025-2026 District Board		
15 mins following	2025-2026 District Board Meeting		Elm

Scan for a digital program

