

2013 NEA HIGHER EDUCATION CONFERENCE

MARCH 22-24, 2013 • PORTLAND, OR

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The 2013 Higher Education Conference will be held March 22-24, 2013 at the Portland Marriott Waterfront Hotel in Portland, Oregon. The theme of this year's conference is "*Faculty, Students and the Common Good*".

As our nation becomes increasingly partisan and polarized, especially between rich and poor, and as public education becomes increasingly underfunded and targeted by anti-egalitarian forces, what is the role of faculty, academic professionals, higher education support professionals and students in creating a more democratic, more decent society? What is the public good, and what does it mean to fight for it?

This year's conference is designed to provide participants an opportunity to engage in organizing training, professional development workshops, skill sessions in the areas of higher ed policy issues, funding, higher ed reform, negotiations, building stronger locals, organizing with social media, building internal and external relationships, engaging members and more. Here are some conference highlights:

Conference Highlights Include:

◆ Keynote Speakers

-Dennis Van Roekel

-Michael Gecan

-Patrick Callan

-Richard Lapchick

-Lily Eskelsen

◆ Leadership Day

◆ Higher Education Local Presidents Training

◆ Workshops on organizing, local best practices, engaging members, higher ed policy, higher ed funding, social media and more

◆ Role alike "coffee" networking groups

◆ Poster networking reception with NEA Almanac Authors

◆ State and local "best practices" networking reception

◆ Workshops facilitated by NEA Executive Committee members

-Greg Johnson

-Joyce Powell

-Earl Wiman

◆ Open space workshop opportunities to create your own agenda

◆ Professional development workshop tracks

Early registration is \$250.00 ends on January 20th. Early Registration Incentives include:

-The first 20 people to register for the conference will receive free Wi-Fi in their sleeping rooms

-The first 75 people to register for the conference will be entered into a drawing for a \$50.00 Starbucks gift card

General Registration is from Jan. 21st-Feb. 24th and **cost \$300.00**. The general registration includes a reception, dinner and entertainment on Friday; breakfast and lunch on Saturday; and breakfast on Sunday.

Late Registration and Non-member Registration is **\$350.00** and begins on February 25, 2013.

Online registration closes on March 10, 2013. However, **on-site registration** will be available on March 22, 2013.

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