138th ANNUAL ACADEMY MEETING
March 18, 2023
J.W. Marriott Hotel
10 S. West Street
Indianapolis Indiana

Frequently Asked Questions

MEMBERSHIP IN THE ACADEMY:

Question: How do I check my membership status?
Answer: Go to the Academy website at http://www.indianaacademyofscience.org and click member center and member account.

Question: How do I become a member of the Indiana Academy of Science?
Answer: Go to the Academy website at http://www.indianaacademyofscience.org

ABSTRACTS:

Question: In order to submit an abstract for presentation at the Annual Meeting, do I still need to register for the Meeting?
Answer: YES, registration has to be completed first.

Question: Do I need to be a member of the Academy and register for the Annual Academy Meeting in order to present a paper, poster, workshop, or hot topic at the Meeting?
Answer: YES, current members of the Indiana Academy are welcomed to present at the 138th Annual Academy Meeting. If you are not yet a member or your membership requires renewing, please go to http://www.indianaacademyofscience.org. Once your membership is current, register to attend the 138th Annual Academy Meeting. You can then also upload your abstract (if you are choosing to present.)

Question: Are there certain guidelines I need to follow to present my oral presentation, poster presentation, ‘hot topic’, panel discussion or workshop?
Answer: YES, there are very specific guidelines you are required to follow both in preparing and delivering your presentation at the 138th Annual Academy Meeting. Please see the guidelines noted under Abstracts on the Website Annual Meeting page at https://www.indianaacademyofscience.org. If there are questions, please contact the chair of your section, or the Academy Executive Director.

Question: I am presenting a hot topic or workshop; do I still need to register for the 138th Annual Academy Meeting?
Answer: YES, all meeting participants need to register attendance at the Annual Meeting. We encourage you to register as a member to receive discounted registration rates. You can register at http://www.indianaacademyofscience.org. After you have registered, you can then upload your abstract. NOTE: You have to register to attend the 138th Annual Academy Meeting before you can upload an abstract.

Question: Is there opportunity to present my oral research virtually if I cannot physically be present at the 138th Annual Academy Meeting?
Answer: YES, Individuals who are unable to attend the annual meeting but would still like to present oral research, a virtual option is available (however limited) with full meeting registration. Interested individuals please contact the Executive Director (Dr. Delores Brown) at execdir@indianaacademyofscience.org. Place in the subject line: Virtual Oral Research Request.

Question: Are high school students allowed to present at the annual meeting?
Answer: YES, high school student meeting registrants who have secured student membership in the Indiana Academy of Science and have performed their research in a supervised laboratory are allowed to submit an abstract for presentation consideration at the annual meeting.

Question: What is the Emerging Scientist Research Poster Competition?
Answer: The Emerging Scientists Research Poster Competition is designed to offer a recognized venue that enables emerging scientists to experience the research world and share their research results with other emerging scientists, scientist judges, science educators, and others; and compete for recognition.

The purpose of this competition is to encourage and stimulate the research interest of Indiana emerging scientists (graduate and undergraduate students, fellows, interns) in their area of scientific interest, to facilitate an opportunity for emerging scientists to receive feedback from senior scientists, and to provide an avenue for emerging scientists to communicate their science and its broader impact to the wider interdisciplinary scientific community. This competition also provides opportunity for emerging scientists to network with other emerging scientists in Indiana, and with senior Indiana scientists from industry and academia. The winners in this competition will be recognized at the Annual Academy Meeting of the Indiana Academy of Science.

Question: How do I participate in the Emerging Scientist Research Poster Competition?
Answer: If interested in participating in the poster competition, student meeting registrants will submit an abstract for a poster presentation following general Annual Academy Meeting abstract submission guidelines and will also complete a separate Google entry form indicating your interest in participating in the competition. Abstracts will be reviewed by the scientific section leadership, and competition participants will be asked to prepare and submit a virtual poster one-week before the meeting (by Friday, March 10, 2023). The virtual poster will be reviewed for scientific content and aesthetics prior to the annual meeting. All submitters will then present a physical copy of their poster in-person at the 138th Annual Academy Meeting, March 18, 2023, J.W. Marriott Hotel in downtown Indianapolis. Monetary awards will be given to contest winners.
REGISTRATION, MEETING REQUIREMENTS and ACCOMMODATIONS:

Question: What is the Academy doing to minimize COVID risks for participants attending the 138th Annual Academy Meeting?
Answer: While we understand there continues to be concerns regarding COVID-19, at this point we are not requiring masking or testing, though they are strongly advised. However, we will monitor the CDC Website for updated COVID-19 guidance and recommendations and will be conferring with the JW Marriott to be sure that they and we are following the latest recommendations and mandates.

Question: What is the cost of registration?
Answer: Non-Member $180
Corporate Member $90
Institutional Member $90
Lifetime Member $90
Standard Member $90
Honorary Member $90
Sustaining Member $90
Emeritus Member $90
Student Member $55
Exhibitor fee $175 (does not include meeting registration)

Question: Is it ever too late to register?
Answer: YES. Registration closes on March 12th. No onsite registration will take place. It is important to register early if one wishes to attend.

Question: Who do I contact if I have questions about my registration?
Answer: Email the Administrative Assistant at linda.buff@indianaacademyofscience.org

Question: How do I communicate my specific dietary restriction for the Luncheon?
Answer: After you have registered for the Annual Meeting and checked the box that ask if you have dietary restrictions, email the Administrative Assistant with your specific dietary needs so that we might try to accommodate you at the Annual Meeting Luncheon. Email the Administrative Assistant (Linda Buff) at linda.buff@indianaacademyofscience.org.

Question: What if I have special needs due to a disability?
Answer: If you have a special need due to a disability, please indicate so on the registration form and contact the Academy Administrative Assistant at linda.buff@indianaacademyofscience.org, prior to March 1 so that the necessary accommodations can be made.

Question: What is the Meeting cancellation policy?
Answer: Cancellations must be received by email, in writing, by March 1, 2023. No refunds will be made for cancellations received after this date. Refunds are subject to a $30 processing fee and will be issued no less than 1 month after the meeting. NOTE: The Indiana Academy of Science reserves the right to cancel or reschedule the Annual Academy meeting due to unforeseen circumstances. Registrants will be notified.

Question: I can't come, but a colleague wants to take my place. What should he/she do?
Answer: All meeting attendees are required to register for the annual meeting by March 12, 2023.

Question: Is Wi-Fi Available at the Meeting just in case I need to check my email, or for my oral presentation?
Answer: YES, Wi-Fi will be available.

Question: Will meals be provided at the 138th Annual Academy Meeting?
Answer: YES, meals are included in your registration: Continental Breakfast, the 138th Annual Academy Luncheon, and the Annual Academy Networking Reception.

Question: Are there special hotel arrangements available should I decide to stay Friday or Saturday night?
Answer: Yes, limited discounted Hotel information is posted on the Website Annual Meeting page under “Lodging” beginning January 30,, 2023.

Question: What are the parking arrangements?
Answer: Discounted parking has been arranged in the White River State Garage, directly under the Indiana State Museum, 10 West Washington Street, across the street from Springhill Suites and the Courtyard by Marriott Hotels. Parking passes will be available at the sign in desk on Saturday, March 18, 2023.

Question: Will pictures be taken, or taping done at the 138th Annual Academy Meeting?
Answer: YES, Registration and/or attendance at, or participation in the Indiana Academy of Science Annual Meeting constitutes an agreement by the registrant (or guest) to the Academy’s use and distribution (now and in the future) of the registrants or attendee’s image or voice in photographs’, videotapes, electronic reproductions and audiotapes of such events and activities.

Question: I would like to bring my colleague, spouse, significant other, friend, or child with me to the 138th Annual Academy Meeting; can I register them to attend the meeting as well?
Answer: YES, you would register them online as either a member or as a non-member, at the meeting registration rates. (Spouses, significant others, and friends are welcome to obtain membership in the Indiana Academy of Science and register to attend the 138th Annual Academy Meeting. Their registration would entitle them to the full day meeting on the 18th (whether they intend to stay the full day or not), including all food events, in addition to all of the rights and privileges of a non-voting member of the Indiana Academy of Science. There are no accommodations for children under 10th grade high school age.

Question: Will my name badge be mailed to me before the meeting?
Answer: NO, your name badge will be held for you at the Sign in desk when you arrive. Please be sure to bring your photo identification with you.
SPONSORSHIP OF THE 138TH ANNUAL ACADEMY MEETING, AND EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

Question: How can I be a sponsor of the 138th Annual Academy Meeting?

Answer: The Academy welcomes the interest of those who would like to be a sponsor of the 138th Annual Academy Meeting. The Benefits of Sponsorship include recognition in the 138 Annual Academy program materials, visibility on marketing signage, acknowledgement in media interviews, acknowledgement from the podium on March 18th, and other marketing opportunities as available. Interested parties should contact the executive director Dr. Delores Brown at execdir@indianaacademyofscience.org as soon as possible, and before March 1, 2023.

Question: How can I be an exhibitor at the 138th Annual Academy Meeting.

Answer: The Academy welcomes institutions, organizations, corporations, colleges, and universities as exhibitors at the 138th Annual Academy Meeting. Please express your interest in email to Administrative Assistant Linda Buff at Linda.buff@indianaacademyofscience.org as soon as possible and before March 1, 2022. The Exhibitor Fee is $175.00 (fee does not include meeting registration.)

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