

139th ANNUAL ACADEMY MEETING

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 Login and Member Profile.

Question: How do I become a member of the Indiana Academy of Science?

Answer: Go to the Academy website at <http://www.indianaacademyofscience.org/> and click the word [Join](#) in the Indiana Academy of Science banner. *Welcome to the Academy!*

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 139th Annual Academy Meeting. If you are not yet a member of the Indiana Academy of Science or your membership requires renewing, please go to <http://www.indianaacademyofscience.org>. Once your membership is current, register to attend the 139th 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' or workshop?

Answer: YES, there are very specific guidelines you are required to follow both in preparing and delivering your presentation at the 139th Annual Academy Meeting. There are also models available for abstracts and posters. Please see the guidelines on the Annual Academy Meeting Page. If there are questions, please contact the chair of your section, or the Academy Executive Director using the Contact Us link on the website.

Question: I am presenting a hot topic or workshop; do I still need to register for the 139th 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 139th Annual Academy Meeting before you can upload an abstract (member or non-member).

REGISTRATION, MEETING REQUIREMENTS and ACCOMMODATIONS:

Question: What is the Academy doing to minimize COVID risks for participants attending the 139th Annual Academy Meeting?

Answer: The Academy is making every effort to navigate the pandemic as safely as possible, in an effort to progress our science as well as educate our students. To that end, the venue is working closely with us to make certain our Meeting policies and other requirements are met. There is not currently a masking or vaccine policy in place for this event. However, restrictions are subject to change based on Indiana or venue-specific rules.

Question: Is it ever too late to register?

Answer: YES. Registration ends on March 5th. No onsite registration will take place. It is important to register early if one wishes to attend.

Question: What is the cost of registration?

Answer: Registration (deadline March 5) for student members is \$55.00 to include the Luncheon; for all other members' registration is \$90.00, and for non-Academy member's registration is \$180.00.

Question: Who do I contact if I have questions about my registration?

Answer: Email the Academy Executive Director at contact@indianaacademyofscience.org.

Question: How do I communicate my specific dietary restriction for the Luncheon?

Answer: After you have registered for the Annual Meeting, email the Executive Director with your specific dietary needs so that we might try to accommodate you at the Annual Meeting Luncheon. contact@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 Executive Director at contact@indianaacademyofscience.org prior to March 1 so that the necessary accommodations can be made.

Question: What is the Meeting cancellation policy?

Answer: No refunds will be made for cancellations received after this date. **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 accidentally registered as a non-member. Can I get a refund?

Answer: No, please make sure that you are logged in to your member account prior to registration. The Academy is unable to process refunds for registration errors.

Question: I can't come, but a colleague wants to take my place. What should he/she do?

Answer: Your colleague should register for the Annual Meeting. All meeting attendees are required to register for the annual meeting by March 5, 2024.

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. **NOTE: Oral presenters are expected to bring their presentations on USB drives, and load them first thing in the morning as indicated in the agenda.**

Question: Will meals be provided at the 139th Annual Academy Meeting?

Answer: YES, meals are included in your registration: Continental Breakfast, the 139th 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, discounted Hotel information is posted on the Website Annual Meeting page.

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 16, 2024.

Question: Will pictures be taken, or taping done at the 139th 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 photograph's, 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 139th Annual Academy Meeting; can I register them to attend the meeting as well?

Answer: YES, you would register them 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 139th Annual Academy Meeting. Their registration would entitle them to the full day meeting on the 16th (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 member of the Indiana Academy of Science. There are no accommodations for children under 9th 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.

SPONSORSHIP OF THE 139TH ANNUAL ACADEMY MEETING, AND EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

Question: How can I be a sponsor of the 139th Annual Academy Meeting?

Answer: The Academy welcomes the interest of those who would like to be a sponsor of the 139th Annual Academy Meeting. The Benefits of Sponsorship include recognition in the 139th Annual Academy program materials, visibility on marketing signage, acknowledgement in media interviews, acknowledgement from the podium on March 16th, and other marketing opportunities as available; and complimentary 2024 Annual Academy Meeting registrations for two members of your institution (depending upon level of sponsorship). Interested parties should contact Dr. Sarah Mordan-McCombs, Executive Director, Indiana Academy of Science at contact@indianaacademyofscience.org as soon as possible, and before March 1, 2024.

Question: How can I be an exhibitor at the 139th Annual Academy Meeting.

Answer: The Academy welcomes institutions, organizations, corporations, colleges, and universities as exhibitors at the 139th Annual Academy Meeting. In order to be considered, please express your interest in email to Executive Director Sarah Mordan-McCombs as soon as possible and before March 1, 2024. The Exhibitor Fee is \$175.00 (fee does not include meeting registration.)