

WTEA Spring Convention 2026 Conference Matrix
Thursday, March 12, 2026

Room	8:00-9:05	9:05-10:00	10:15-11:15	11:30-12:30	12:35-1:20	1:25-2:20	2:35-3:30	4:00-4:45	4:00
Grand Ballroom	Conference Registration-Trade Show- 8:00-4:00	Conference Registration-Trade Show	Conference Registration-Trade Show	Conference Registration-Trade Show	Conference Registration-Trade Show	Conference Registration-Trade Show	Conference Registration-Trade Show	Conference Registration-Trade Show	Trade Show Ends
Upper Dells Ballroom	General Welcome (8:55 AM): Mike Paquette, WTEA President	Keynote Address: Industry Allies: Resources Already Waiting to Help - Kylan Hastreiter, President, Hastreiter Industries Corp			Lunch (on your own) & Networking Break				
A			Advisory Committees: Building Industry-Education Partnerships - Mike Catterlino, Faith Technologies Inc.	Hatchet Choppers - BuildMoto - Brian Schiltz, Tomahawk School District	Lunch (on your own) & Networking Break	Producing the Safety Widget for Defensibility -Lyman Elliott, Milton School District	How to make an affordable Residential Wiring Module - Lyman Elliott, Milton School District	District Connect! WTEA District "A" Meeting -Emily Fransway, District Director	
B			Concrete: Everyday Material, Extraordinary Science- Richard Schneider, Madison College	Tech Ed, Not Just for Boys- Tyler Herrmann, De Soto School District	Lunch (on your own) & Networking Break	Instant Buy-In: Hands-On Projects for Day One - Jeff Lehr, Lake Mills HS	Sparking Innovation: Laser Engravers in Tech Ed - Tom Schlueter, Hamilton HS	District Connect! WTEA District "B" Meeting - Brian Schiltz, District Director	
D			Moving the Needle: Tackling the Teacher Shortage Together - Mike Mills, UW-Stout	Innovation in Action: Robotics - Sara Lieske, Brookfield East High School/ Elmbrook Schools	Lunch (on your own) & Networking Break	Comprehensive Middle School Engineering and Manufacturing Curriculum - Douglas Johnson, Forest Park MS	Running Middle School Engineering, & Building Trades Courses- James Ricchio, Whitnall MS	District Connect! WTEA District "D" Meeting - Jon Larson, District Director	7:00-9:00 PM Presidents Reception All in the Riverview Ballroom & Atrium Level at Chula Vista
E			Reminder- Tech Ed is the FUN Class! - Brian Hawn, McFarland HS	Casting 3D Printed Parts in Chocolate - Tadd Galgan, Zion Benton T.H.S.	Lunch (on your own) & Networking Break	Low Cost Rocketry - Lee Briggs, Toki Middle School	R5 Manufacturing - Milling Lumber - Kyle Schmidt, Prescott School District	District Connect! WTEA District "E" Meeting - Abe Graziano, District Director	
F			New Teacher Seminar - Alan Mamerow, Hamilton School District	New Teacher Seminar - Alan Mamerow, Hamilton School District	Lunch (on your own) & Networking Break	AI in the Classroom- Brandon Behlke, Black Hawk School District	Blueprints for Partnership: Engaging Local Contractors - Vern Widmer, Fond du Lac HS	District Connect! WTEA District "F" Meeting - Eric Sutkay, District Director	
G			HTEC Teacher Training - Michael Servantez, Gateway Technical College	Intro Welding Course - What We Do and Why - Aaron Pokrzywa, Slinger HS	Lunch (on your own) & Networking Break	Building Science - Using Blower Door Technology in Construction - John Von Wald, Adams-Friendship HS	The Humble Wooden Stool - Tim Steedman, Slinger School District	District Connect! WTEA District "G" Meeting - Stephen Hadfield, District Director	
H			Automotive Networking Insights and Industry Partnership Essentials - Sutton Martin, Ford Motor Company	ASE 2026 Update - Matt Shepanek, Credential Testing Programs	Lunch (on your own) & Networking Break	Road to Successful GM Technician Training - Tim Barnes, General Motors	Prep for ASE A-6 Electrical & Electronics Certification Test - Carl Hader, WATDA	District Connect! WTEA District "H" Meeting - Art Pronschinske, District Director	
3101			WTEA Board Headquarters	WTEA Board Headquarters	WTEA Board Headquarters	WTEA Board Headquarters	WTEA Board Headquarters	WTEA Board Headquarters	
I			Project Showcase & Career Exhibitors	Project Showcase & Career Exhibitors	Lunch (on your own) & Networking Break	Project Showcase & Career Exhibitors	Project Showcase & Career Exhibitors	District Connect! WTEA District "C" Meeting - Brennen Mickelson, District Director	
Conference Center Atrium			WTCS Booths - Meet K12 colleagues	WTCS Booths - Meet K12 colleagues	Lunch (on your own) & Networking Break	WTCS Booths - Meet K12 colleagues	WTCS Booths - Meet K12 colleagues		