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Division III January Webinar

Tips & Tricks for new NCAA Convention attendees

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Agenda

- What is the NCAA Convention?
- Get Ready with Me!
- Key Events.
- Know Before You Go [Home].
- Questions?



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What is the NCAA Convention?

- This is the 120th NCAA Convention.
- Division III votes on legislation during the Business Session.
- Updates and hot topics discussed during the Issues Forum.
- Events to celebrate current and former student-athletes.
- Meetings, professional development, and education sessions.
- Opportunity to network with the membership (that's you) of Divisions I, II, and III.
- To view Convention resources, click [here](#).



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Get Ready With Me

- What's in your registration packet?
 - Division III Gift.
 - Voting Information.
 - Guide to Strategic Athletics Communication on Campus.
 - Mental Health First Aid Flyer.
 - Division III/Special Olympics 15th Anniversary Pin and Sticker.
 - Coupon for NCAA Gear Store.
 - Your Lanyard.



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Get Ready With Me

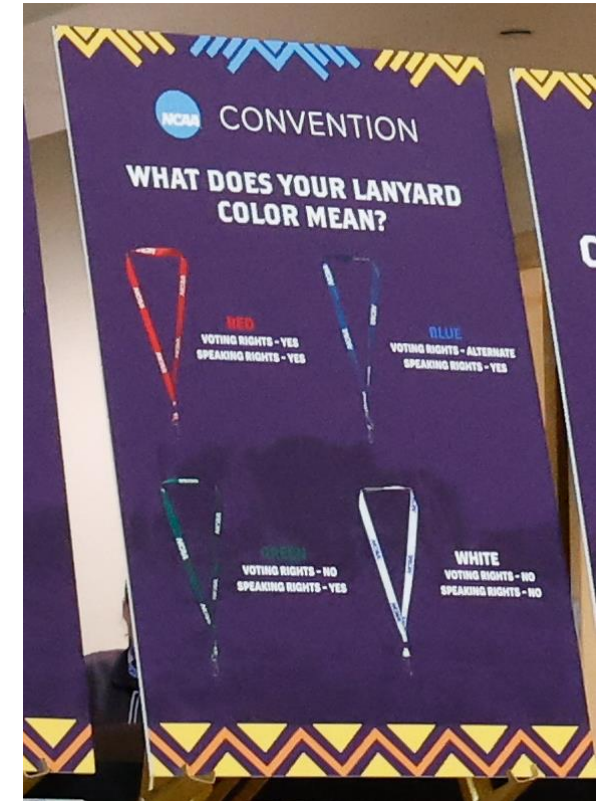
- Lanyard colors... what do they mean?

Red: You are your school's voting delegate.

Blue: You are your school's alternate voting delegate.

Green: You have speaking rights, only.

White: You do not have speaking or voting rights.



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Get Ready With Me – Dress Code

Business Casual.

- Shirts: Collared shirt/blouse/polo shirt/sweater/1/4 zip.
- Bottoms: Khakis/slacks/skirt. (knee-length or longer)/dress. No jeans, shorts, leggings, or sweatpants.
- Shoes: Dress shoes, loafers, flats, low to mid-heel shoes, fun sneakers.
- Optional: Suit jacket and ties.



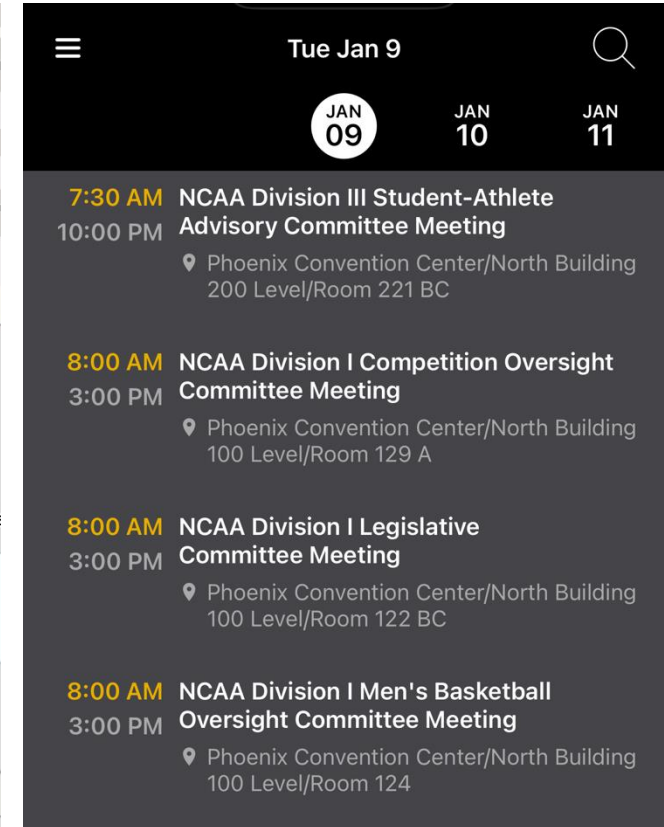
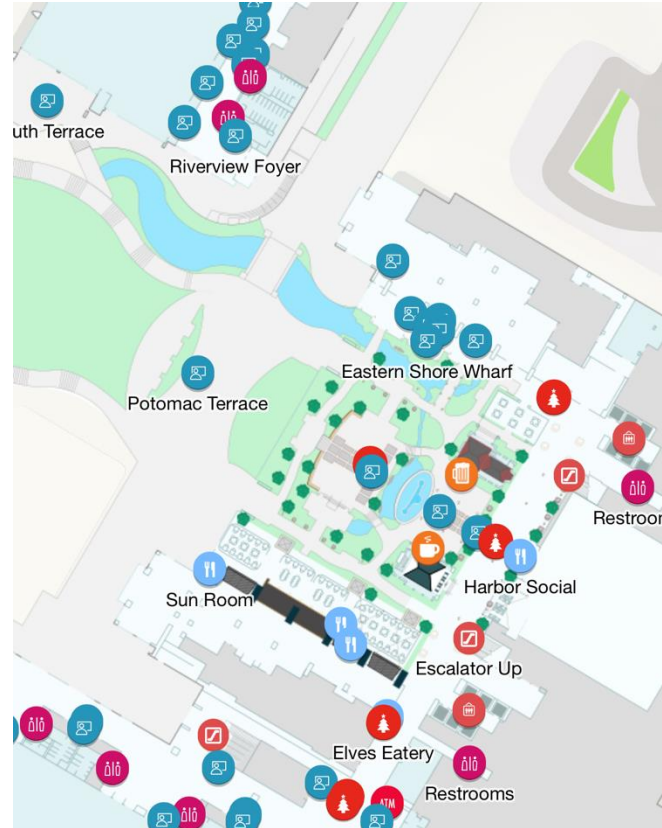
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Get Ready With Me

- **Helpful phone apps:**
 - Gaylord Hotels app.
 - > Interactive map with live location/navigation help.
 - NCAA Events/Convention app.
 - > Plan out your agenda, learn about the speakers and more!
- **Networking, networking, networking!**



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Association-Wide Events

- Tuesday:
 - Educational Programming.
- Wednesday
 - Educational Programming.
 - State of College Sports and NCAA Honors.
 - Welcome Reception.



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Division III Events

- Wednesday
 - DIII Education Sessions.
 - Presidents/Chancellors Forum.
 - Special Olympics Unified Sports Activity.
 - LGBTQ of the Year Awards.
 - Student Social Mixer.
- Thursday
 - Issues Forum.
 - Receptions.
- Friday
 - Business Session.



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Issues Forum & Business Session

- Issues Forum: Thursday
 - NCAA Updates.
 - Division III Analysis.
 - Proposal Review and Q+A.
- Business Session: Friday
 - Division III Updates.
 - Service Recognition.
 - Voting!
 - Open Forum.



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Reception Round-Up

Wednesday

- **6:30 PM** Welcome Reception.
- **6:30 PM** Women Leaders Reception.
- **6:45 PM** LGBTQ of the Year Awards Celebration.

Thursday

- **4:30 PM** NADIII AA Reception.
- **5:00 PM** Division III SWA Reception.



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Know Before You Go [Home]

- Use the luggage storage room.
- The NCAA provides a **complimentary** shuttle service to the Reagan airport upon conclusion of the Business Session on Friday only.
- Fill out the feedback survey!



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