

# Elevating Education

2019

A Fresh Way Forward for  
Urban School Districts

LOUISVILLE, KY  
OCTOBER 23-27

COUNCIL OF THE  
GREAT CITY SCHOOLS  
63<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL  
FALL CONFERENCE



## CRSS PRE-CONFERENCE SYMPOSIUM

The Center for Reform of School Systems (CRSS) will offer a half-day symposium on Wednesday, October 23. Board members, district administrators and district teams are encouraged to attend.

**Registration is \$95.** Visit [www.crss.org](http://www.crss.org) or call Faith Edwards at 713-682-9888 for more information.



**Wednesday, October 23, 2019**

8:30 am General Session

12:30 pm Adjourn

## Louisville Sights



Muhammad Ali Center



Kentucky Derby Museum



Old Forester Distillery

# 63rd Annual Fall Conference

October 23 - October 27, 2019 • Louisville, KY



## WEDNESDAY, October 23, 2019

7:00 am - 5:00 pm  
8:00 am - 9:00 am  
8:00 am - 4:00 pm  
10:00 am - 11:00 am  
11:30 am - 1:00 pm  
  
11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm  
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm  
  
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Fall Conference Registration  
Continental Breakfast  
Urban Schools Resource Room/Internet Cafe  
New Member & Newcomer's Orientation  
Buffet Lunch  
Task Force Meetings (**All Conferees are welcome to attend**)

- ❖ Females of Color Task Force Meeting
- ❖ Males of Color Task Force Meeting
- ❖ Achievement/Professional Development Task Force Meeting
- ❖ School Finance/Leadership, Governance and Management Task Force Meeting
- ❖ English Language Learners and Bilingual Education Task Force Meeting

Blue Ribbon Corporate Group Meeting (Members only)

## THURSDAY, October 24, 2019

7:00 am - 5:00 pm  
7:30 am - 4:00 pm  
7:30 am - 9:00 am  
9:00 am - 12:15 pm  
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm  
2:15 pm - 5:30 pm  
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm  
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
10:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Conference Registration  
Urban Schools Resource Room/Internet Cafe  
General Session A: Breakfast and Address from Chair of the Board  
CONCURRENT SESSIONS ON BEST PRACTICES  
General Session B: Lunch and Speaker: **RODNEY ROBINSON**  
CONCURRENT SESSIONS ON BEST PRACTICES  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Cocktail Reception  
30th Annual Green-Garner Banquet (*Semi Formal Evening Attire*)  
Hospitality Suite



Rodney Robinson  
2019 National Teacher of the Year

## FRIDAY, October 25, 2019

7:00 am - 5:00 pm  
7:30 am - 4:00 pm  
7:30 am - 9:00 am  
9:00 am - 12:30 pm  
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm  
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm  
  
4:15 pm - 5:00 pm  
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Conference Registration  
Urban Schools Resource Room/Internet Cafe  
General Session C: Breakfast and Speaker: **VALERIE JARRETT**  
**CONCURRENT SESSIONS ON BEST PRACTICES**  
General Session D: Lunch and Speaker: **JON MEACHAM**  
General Session E: Town Hall Meeting on U.S. 2020 Census,  
moderated by NPR reporter Hansi Lo Wang  
Great City Colleges of Education General Meeting  
Reception at Kentucky Derby Museum



Valerie Jarrett  
Former Presidential Adviser



Jon Meacham  
Best-Selling Author

## SATURDAY, October 26, 2019

8:00 am - 9:00 am  
8:30 am - 12:00 pm  
12:00 pm - 2:30 pm  
  
12:30 pm - 2:30 pm  
  
7:30 pm - 10:00 pm

Buffet Breakfast  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Legislative Directors Lunch and Meeting  
(Council Members Only)  
Fall Conference Debriefing and Planning Lunch Meeting  
with Jefferson County Public Schools and The School District of Philadelphia  
Farewell Party and distillery tours at Old Forester Distillery

## SUNDAY, October 27, 2019

8:30 am - 11:30 am  
11:30 am

General Session F: Breakfast and Closing Session  
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## Who Should Attend?

- **Urban School Superintendents**
- **School Board Members**
- **Senior School District Administrators**
- **Deans of Colleges of Education**

The Council of the Great City Schools brings together the nation's largest urban public school systems in a coalition dedicated to the improvement of education for children in the inner cities. The Council and its 75 member school districts work to help our schoolchildren meet the highest standards and become successful and productive members of society.

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## What's Included in Your Registration?

- **Participation in the nation's premier conference on model programs and reforms that work in urban schools**
  - **Keynote speakers**
  - **Breakout sessions on urban school achievement, professional development, leadership and governance, finance, males of color, bilingual, immigrant & refugee issues, and others**
  - **All scheduled meals (breakfast, lunch, coffee service, reception/dinner)**
  - **Resource area with member-district, non profit organizations and educational companies' material on what works in urban education**
  - **Newly published Council reports**
  - **Networking with the nation's leading urban school superintendents, school board members, college of education deans, research directors, legislative directors and others**
  - **Awards banquet**
  - **Transportation to and from off-site evening events**
  - **Conference bag and gift items**
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### Council of the Great City School Member Districts

Albuquerque, Anchorage, Arlington (Texas), Atlanta, Austin, Aurora (Colorado), Baltimore, Birmingham, Boston, Bridgeport, Broward County (Ft. Lauderdale), Buffalo, Charleston, Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Chicago, Cincinnati, Clark County (Las Vegas), Cleveland, Columbus, Dallas, Dayton, Denver, Des Moines, Detroit, Duval County (Jacksonville), El Paso, Fort Worth, Fresno, Guilford County (Greensboro, N.C.), Hawaii, Hillsborough County (Tampa), Houston, Indianapolis, Jackson, Jefferson County (Louisville), Kansas City, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Manchester (New Hampshire), Miami-Dade County, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Nashville, New Orleans, New York City, Newark, Norfolk, Oakland, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Orange County (Orlando), Palm Beach County, Philadelphia, Pinellas County, Pittsburgh, Portland, Providence, Puerto Rico, Richmond, Rochester, Sacramento, San Antonio, San Diego, San Francisco, Santa Ana, Seattle, Shelby County (Memphis), St. Louis, St. Paul, Stockton, Toledo, Toronto, Tulsa, Washington, D.C., Washoe, and Wichita.

# 63rd Annual Fall Conference Registration Form

**[CLICK HERE](#) to register online**

**or access at**

**<http://www.cvent.com/events/63rd-annual-fall-conference/event-summary-a4bf4b2715c348a2b3ffc2b61398ea02.aspx>**

**Register before October 4th to insure a name badge and conference materials are prepared for you. This will also guarantee your name is included in the conference participant's list.**

## **MEMBERS**

WAIVED Superintendent/Board Representative (no proxies)

\$175 for Council School District member (see list of members)

\$175 for Council College of Education member

\$95 to attend CRSS Pre-conference Symposium only

\$270 to attend CRSS Pre-conference Symposium and Fall Conference (\$175 plus \$95)

\$150 additional late fee (registering after October 4, 2019)

## **COMPANIES**

WAIVED Pre-designated Sponsor(s) (See sponsorship form)

\$775 for Additional Attendee from Sponsor

\$1,500 for company not sponsoring

\$150 additional late fee (for registrations received after October 4, 2019)

## **OTHERS**

\$375 for Non-member school districts/colleges of education or nonprofit associations

\$200 for Spouse to attend Evening Events only

\$150 additional late fee (registering after October 4, 2019)

## **METHOD OF PAYMENT**

You may pay using a purchase order #, check or American Express, Discover, Mastercard or Visa.

Make check payable to: *Council of the Great City Schools*

Mail to:

*1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1100N*

*Washington, DC 20004*

## **REGISTRATION FEES**

Full registration payment is due by **September 27, 2019**. A late registration fee of \$150.00 will be charged for registrations received after October 4, 2019.

**Pre-registration Refund and Cancellation Policy:** Refund requests, cancellations or substitutions must be made in writing. Submit request via email to Gregory Bacon at: [gbacon@cgcs.org](mailto:gbacon@cgcs.org) or Alexis Vann at: [avann@cgcs.org](mailto:avann@cgcs.org). A full refund will be given for cancellations received on or before October 4, 2019, and a 50% refund if requested between October 5 - October 11, 2019. **No refunds will be processed if requested after October 11th.** Purchase orders will not be accepted for on-site registrations. **An additional \$250 fee will be assessed for registrations processed on-site.**

**Fee is waived for Superintendents and official Council School Board Representatives only (No proxies)**

## Hotel Information

The headquarters hotel for the conference is the:

### **Omni Louisville Hotel**

400 S 2nd Street  
Louisville, KY 40202  
(502) 313-6664

**All attendees must make their own hotel reservations!!!**



To make reservations via telephone call (502) 313-6664. Be sure to mention that you are attending CGCS' Fall Conference, to get our special conference rate.

Reservations can also be made using this link:  
<https://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/louisville/meetings/council-of-great-city-schools>

Room rates are **\$214 per night for single and double occupancy, plus 15.5% tax**. An additional person is \$20. Space is limited so please make hotel reservations as soon as possible. Up to 2 nights + tax deposit is required at the time of reservation. The cut-off date for the group rate is October 4, 2019.

**Cancellation Policy:** The advanced deposit of two nights & tax is fully refundable only until **September 5, 2019**. After September 5, 2019 **NO REFUNDS** will be given. Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. and Check-out time is 11:00 a.m.

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The overflow hotel is the: **Hyatt Regency Louisville**

311 South Fourth Street  
Louisville, KY 40202

To make a reservation via telephone call 1-888-421-1442 and mention that you are with the CGCS Annual Conference.

Reservations can also be made using this link: <https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/SDFRL/G-CGCS>

## Hotel Information

Additional overflow hotels are:

### **Courtyard by Marriott Louisville Downtown**

100 South Second Street  
Louisville, KY 40202


Reservations can also be made using this link: <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1568991427667&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

### **Aloft Louisville Downtown**

102 West Main Street  
Louisville, KY 40202

Reservations can also be made using this link: <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1569015995610&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

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Ground Transportation:  **shuttlefare**<sup>TM</sup>  
SHARE AND SAVE

**ShuttleFare** is offering a \$5 discount off airport shuttle transportation to and from Airport and your Hotel.

To Book Reservation Click Airport Link: [ShuttleFare at Louisville Airport](#)

Coupon Code =CGCS2019 (enter code on bottom right of checkout page before submitting payment)

Once you complete your reservation an email confirmation will be sent to you and this will be your travel voucher for your airport transportation. It will also include instructions on where to meet your shuttle when you arrive at the airport as well as any important phone numbers for the day of travel.

#### SHUTTLEFARE CUSTOMER SERVICE:

For reservation changes or questions contact customer service:

Phone: 800-851-4528, Email: [customerservice@shuttlefare.com](mailto:customerservice@shuttlefare.com)

Monday - Friday 8am – 8pm EST, Saturday and Sunday 9am - 8pm EST