



## Tips and Tidbits for an AWESOME WMC Conference Experience

**We want you to have the best conference experience possible — so read on for important information you need to know. See you in Green Lake!**

### Registering Before the Conference

Get ready, get set – register online! For the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual WMC Conference in Green Lake that is. This year, we're making it easier to register online. For those paying for conference registration with a credit card, nothing has changed. For those paying with a check or PO, now you can register online as well. Not only will you save time and the cost of postage, but you'll also cut down on paper and help to keep the conference registration process more green. To register online, [click here](#); to download a registration form, [click here](#).

### On-Site Registration

We encourage you to register before you arrive at the conference. If your plans do not allow you to pre-register, you can register on-site in the Kraft Centre Lobby. On-site registration hours will be Wednesday, 6:00 -10:00 p.m., Thursday, 7:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and Friday, 7:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

### Lodging & Meals

Make your lodging reservations at the Green Lake Conference Center early as rooms, homes and cabins tend to book quickly! Download and complete your [Lodging & Meal Ticket Form](#) and fax or mail it directly to Guest Services, Green Lake Conference Center, W2511 Hwy 23, Green Lake, WI 54941 or fax-1-920-294-3686.

### Planning Ahead – Making the Most of Your Conference Experience

The complete conference program will be available online in early February. Visit the WMC website for the schedule and description of conference keynotes, sectionals, workshops and meetings.

### Planning Your Conference Schedule

We suggest mapping out your schedule for each day, and make sure to fit at least one keynote session into your schedule. Be aware that popular sessions may fill up 20-30 minutes in advance so you may want to list nearby alternate sessions that you can quickly get to if your first choice is full. We have made every attempt to schedule sessions targeted to the same grade band near each other for easier movement. The capacity of each session is listed in parentheses in the session description, and sessions have been booked into the rooms of highest capacity while still allowing for technological and setup needs. Happy hunting!

### Conference Badges, Booklets and Tickets

**NEW – Please note that WMC will not be mailing conference badges, program booklets and meal tickets before the conference.** These items will be available for pick-up on-site at the Green Lake Conference Center in the lobby of the Kraft Centre beginning Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-10:00 p.m. and again at 7:00 a.m. daily on Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.

### Directions to the Green Lake Conference Center & Maps

[Click here](#) to find directions and maps for getting to the Green Lake Conference Center.

### Cell Phones & Wireless Laptops

Please be aware that cell phone reception may be unreliable in the Green Lake area. If you bring your wireless laptop computer, you can log in and check your email in the Ollie's Place, the Internet café located in the Kraft Centre.

### Parking

Available parking areas are identified on the Green Lake Conference Center map. WMC Pages, wearing red jackets, will direct you to available parking areas. Allow yourself time to park and become acquainted with the conference center grounds 30 to 60 minutes prior to your first session. Once the available parking areas are full, participants will be directed by the WMC Pages to road-side parking.

### Exhibits

Plan to visit both levels of the Exhibit Hall where you will find a wealth of information and items from a variety of publishers and exhibitors who will be sharing their newest and most updated resources. Make sure to browse the Exhibit Hall for items for your classrooms. The Exhibit Hall will be open from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Thursday and 8:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. on Friday.

### District or School Groups

Make the most of the conference experience, and consider bringing a group from your school or district. You can take advantage of your numbers by splitting up and taking in as many sessions as possible then copy and share handouts when you get back home.

### Weather

During early May, weather can range from snow and rain to beautiful and sunny. Planning to dress in layers and bringing an umbrella will make your conference experience more pleasant in case of inclement weather.

### Unauthorized Commercial Solicitation

WMC has a strong commitment to high standards of scholarship and professional development. Commercial solicitation is strictly prohibited in all conference sessions, except those clearly labeled as Exhibitor Sessions.

### Smoking/Alcohol Restrictions

We ask that all attendees observe the Green Lake Conference Center nonsmoking and no alcohol policies in all meeting rooms, lodging rooms, dining rooms and while on Green Lake Conference Center grounds.