2024 Democratic National Convention

FAQs

**Dates/Schedule (Final Schedule TBD):**

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| August 18th | No official events |
| August 19th | Caucus and Evening Events (credentials required) |
| August 20th | Caucus and Evening Events (credentials required) |
| August 21st | VP Harris accepts nomination  |
| August 22nd | President Biden accepts the nomination (Approx. 10 pm CT) |
| August 23rd | No official events |

**Travel to Chicago:**

What airport should I fly into?

* Midway Airport is 12 miles from the hotel
* O’Hare Airport is 18 miles from the hotel

**Travel to Hotel:**

* Rideshare (Uber/Lyft)
* Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) - Redline

**Hotel:**

Sheraton Grand Chicago Riverwalk

301 East North Water Street, Chicago, IL 60611

312-464-1000

* Check-in time: 4 pm
* Check-out time: 12 pm

Parking fee: $68/day

Thursday, August 22nd luggage storage fee: $168/day

**How do I reserve my room?**

All rooms at our assigned hotel must be booked though the party. The ODP will contact you when Passkey, the service set up by the DNCC, is resolved. The rate will not change and the rooms allotted to Oklahoma are reserved. The allotment includes various sized rooms and ADA accessible rooms.

**Can I share a room with other delegates?**

Sharing rooms, though not mandatory, is encouraged.

**Can I join the delegation even if I am not an elected delegate?**

Yes, there are several options. You can join the delegation with a [Partner Pass](#_The_Partner_Pass), you can [Volunteer with the ODP](#_Volunteer_with_the) or [Volunteer with the DNC](https://chicago2024.com/volunteer/).

**What is the Schedule for the Convention?**

TBD

The Oklahoma Democratic Party is working, along with other states, to plan events that are sure to inspire fun and networking with delegates from other states.

**Is Travel Provided to Convention Events?**

Yes, there will be a series of buses that run the route between delegate hotels and the McCormick Center ([caucus/council meetings](#_DNC_Caucuses_and)) and the United Center (primetime programming). Travel intervals have not been determined as of 4/23/24.

Travel to other events may or may not have pre-arranged travel.

**Financing My Trip:**

Each delegate is responsible for their own expenses.

**Can I fundraise for my convention expenses?**

Funds raised and spent for delegate selection are considered “contributions” and “expenditures” made for the purpose of influencing a federal election and are therefore subject to the federal law’s prohibition.

These rules apply to any individual who is seeking selection as a delegate, or who has already been selected as a delegate, at any level of the delegate selection process (local, state or national).

The following are prohibited from contributions:

* Corporations
* Labor Organizations
* Foreign nationals or business
* Federal government contractors

**Do delegates have to file reports with the FEC?**

No. Individual delegates are not required to register or file regular reports of the funds they raise and spend for their personal delegate activity. However, delegates acting as group **may** have to file reports as a delegate committee. *The ODP will host a training event for fundraising.*

**I am a state-level elected official; can I use campaign funds for my convention expenses?**

Consult your campaign compliance professional.

**How do I find out about accessibility of the various convention activities and sites?**

The Democratic National Committee Convention has contracted with an accessibility consultant and each event will list accommodation level.

## **The Partner Pass**

**What is a Partner Pass?**

The Oklahoma Democratic Party has identified a way to allow non-delegates the opportunity to participate in some convention week activities. There is no way to guarantee participation in ALL DNC activities. The ODP is working to curate the best experiences within our control.

The basic Partner Pass grants the holder access to the daily breakfast program hosted by or for the Oklahoma Delegation.

Breakfast Pass – Political Notables from other States Will Speak at Credential Breakfasts

* Level 1 - $150
* Credential
* 2-day Breakfast Pass + Hair of the Yellow Dog
* Level 2 - $250
* Credential
* 4-day Breakfast Pass + Hair of the Yellow Dog

Additional Events:

* Basic – Caucus and Council Meetings

Premium - $150/each

* ASDC House of Blues Welcome Party
* Rt. 66 at the Chicago Institute
* Black Girl Magic Brunch
* 2-day Primetime Watch Party (Open Bar)

Subject to availability

# **DNC Caucuses and Councils**

**DNC Caucuses**: The DNC has two types of caucuses: Regional and Constituency

Regional Caucuses: Eastern, Midwestern, Southern, Western DNC members from the states within each region compose the Regional Caucuses. Regional Caucuses elect officers and four representatives to serve on the DNC Executive Committee.

Constituency Caucuses: AAPI, Black, Hispanic, LGBTQ, Disability, Women's, and Native American. The DNC Constituency Caucuses are composed of DNC members who share an inherent or immutable trait. Additionally, each Constituency Caucus must represent a minimum of 2% of the DNC general membership and a constituency that has been historically underrepresented in Democratic Party affairs.

**DNC Councils**: Created to represent certain communities that do not meet the requirements for Constituency Caucuses and/or are organized around an issue or cause. Membership on DNC Councils includes both DNC members and non-DNC members. They include Labor, Veterans & Military Families, Ethnic, Rural, Small Business Owners, Environmental & Climate Crisis, Poverty, Interfaith, Youth and Seniors Coordinating Council.

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| AAPI Caucus  |
| Black Caucus  |
| Council on the Environmental and Climate Crisis  |
| Disability Council  |
| Ethnic Council  |
| Hispanic Caucus  |
| Interfaith Council  |
| Jewish American Community  |
| Labor Council  |
| LGBTQ Caucus  |
| Muslim Delegates Assembly  |
| Native American Caucus  |
| Poverty Council  |
| Rural Council  |
| Seniors Council |
| Small Business Council  |
| Veterans and Military Families Council  |
| Women’s Caucus  |
| Youth Council  |

# **Volunteer with the ODP**

Caucus Crew

Delegate Arrangements

* Seating
* Office Hours

Delegate Coordination

* Events
* Seat Swaps

VIP Management

SWAG/Asset Acquisition

Staffing

Maintenance of DemList