



Meet **Minneapolis**
City by Nature

CONVENTION ALERT

NATIONAL HEAD START ASSOCIATION 2026 NHSA NATIONAL CONFERENCE May 5-7, 2026

<u>Estimated Attendance:</u>	3,500
<u>Location:</u>	Minneapolis Convention Center
<u>Major Arrivals:</u>	Sunday, May 3 and Monday, May 4, 2026
<u>Major Departure:</u>	Thursday, May 7, 2026
<u>Convention Hotels:</u>	Best Western Normandy, DoubleTree Guest Suites, Hilton Garden Inn, Hilton Minneapolis, Holiday Inn Express, Hotel Indigo, Hyatt Regency, Minneapolis Marriott City Center, Royal Sonesta, Sheraton Minneapolis Downtown and The Marquette Hotel.
<u>Meet Minneapolis Contact:</u>	Tamara Spude (612.767.8186)
<u>Attendee Profile</u>	National Head Start Association serves as the national voice for early childhood education and leadership on Capitol Hill. Attendees are incredibly diverse professionals across the Head Start community. High female attendance for this conference and this is the first time traveling ever for many of them.
<u>Restaurant/Info Booth Hours:</u>	Monday, May 4 – 12:00PM – 5:00PM Tuesday, May 5 – 11:00AM – 2:30PM Wednesday, May 6 – 10:30AM – 2:30PM
<u>Transportation Provided:</u>	No
<u>Social Media:</u>	#HeadStart
<u>Schedule:</u>	Attendees on own for all meals and evenings are open for all attendees. Schedule-at-a-glance on following page.

Schedule-at-a-Glance

Monday, May 4

7:30 AM – 7:00 PM
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Registration Desk Open
Exhibit Hall Grand Opening & Reception

Tuesday, May 5

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

General Opening Session
Lunch (on your own)
Breakout Sessions

Wednesday, May 6

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
12:00 PM – 1:45 PM
1:45 PM – 4:00 PM

Breakout Session
Lunch (on your own)
Breakout Sessions

Thursday, May 7

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM
10:45 AM – 12:00 PM

Breakout Session
General Closing Session