



Happy 30th Birthday Ark AHEAD: Past, Present, and Future

2025 Spring Conference

April 2-4

Fairfield Bay Conference Center

Registration Deadline: March 14th

Hotel Registration Deadline: March 12th



Fairfield Bay



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CONFERENCE CENTER

Fairfield Bay Conference Center
110 Lost Creek Parkway
Fairfield Bay, AR 72088
501-884-4202
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Come and join us at Fairfield Bay on beautiful Greers Ferry Lake for the 2025 Ark AHEAD Spring Conference. The theme is Happy 30th Birthday Ark AHEAD: Past, Present, and Future.

There are 2 options for registration. If you cannot attend the full conference, consider the 1-day session on Thursday for the Keynote Speakers presentations.

Full Conference Registration

Wednesday 1:00-Friday noon
(Includes dinner on Wednesday, lunch and dinner on Thursday, and break snacks)

Cost

Current Ark AHEAD Members: \$275
Non-Members: \$325
Students: \$200

Thursday Only Registration

(Includes lunch and break snacks)

Cost

Current Ark AHEAD Members: \$150
Non-Members: \$175
Students: \$100

Indicate any conference access accommodations and dietary restrictions when registering.

Online registration: arkahead.org/2025-spring-conference/

Lodging Info



Cobblestone Inn & Suites
100 Lost Creek Parkway
Fairfield Bay, AR 72088

Call to make reservations
501-825-3046

Indicate that you are with Ark AHEAD

****Located next door to Conference Center****

- ⇒ Cost of room is \$115 + tax per night
- ⇒ Includes complimentary breakfast on Thu and Fri
- ⇒ Various room types so inquire when making reservation
- ⇒ Check-in time is 3:00 but rooms may be ready earlier
- ⇒ Request access accommodations when making reservation

Individual reservations can be canceled at no charge up to 24 hours before arrival date.
No-Show reservations will be charged one night's room rate at the negotiated group rate.



Tentative Schedule

Wednesday, April 2nd: (Lunch on Your Own)

- 11:00-1:00 Registration
- 1:00-1:15 Welcome and Introductions
- 1:15-2:15 Session 1: Past, Present, and Future of Accommodation Services (Zachary Singleton)
- 2:15-3:15 Session 2: The ESA Application Journey (Tori Shinn and Blake Walker)
- 3:15-3:30 Break
- 3:30-5:00 Session 3: Accommodate This: A Jeopardy Style Exploration of Accommodation Services (Ashlee Leavell and Julie Shelby)
- 6:00 Dinner
- 7:00 Evening Activities TBD

Thursday, April 3rd:

- 7:30-8:30 Registration
- 8:30-10:00 First Keynote: How Exactly Does the Arc Bend? Generational Changes in Understanding Attitudes and Policies Around Ableism and Disability Issues (Mark Taylor)
- 10:00-10:15 Break
- 10:15-11:45 First Keynote Continued
- 11:45-Noon Business Meeting/Presentation of Awards
- Noon-1:00 Lunch
- 1:00-2:00 Second Keynote: 1 in 20: Addressing the Mental Health Crisis on Campus While Trying to Maintain Your Own (Dr. Rikki Turner)
- 2:00-3:00 Birthday Party Break
- 3:00-4:00 History of Ark AHEAD (panel of founding and early members)
- 6:00 Dinner

Friday, April 4th:

- 8:30-10:00 Session 4: Guiding Principles for Making Decisions Regarding Access and Accommodations (Melanie Thornton)
- 10:00-10:15 Break
- 10:15-11:15 Session 5: I Can't Get No Motivation (HSU Crew)
- 11:15 Closing Comments and Dismissal

