

**Registration (8:00-8:30)**

Take this time to connect, collaborate, share ideas, and build relationships with fellow advisors from across the state while enjoying networking opportunities.

Welcome (8:30-8:45)

We will take a moment to recognize and celebrate our amazing advisors for their dedication, leadership, and impact on students across Mississippi.

1. 2026–2027 EdRising Updates (8:45-9:15)

Get ahead of the year with a full review of important state/national updates, conference themes, and deadlines.

2. Conference Deep Dive: Fall and State (9:15-10:00)

Stay ahead with the latest conference updates, important changes, new policies, competitive event updates, and an exclusive preview of what's coming for the 2027 State Conference!

3. Competitive Events (10:00-10:25)**Prepare. Practice. Perform.**

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4. Feeder Schools Fuel the Educator Pipeline (10:25-10:40)**Awareness. Access. Opportunity**

Learn how current advisors and CTE Educator Preparation teachers can build key connections with administrators, identify prospective advisors at feeder schools, and support the launch of a high school Educators Rising club—allowing club advisors to introduce students early to opportunities within Educators Rising and the Career & Technical Education Educator Preparation pathway.

5. Positive Energy = Powerful Chapters (10:40-11:05)**Attitude Drives Engagement.**

A strong chapter starts with a strong leader. This session explores how an advisor's attitude, energy, and enthusiasm directly influence student engagement and chapter success. Learn practical strategies to create excitement, build a positive culture, and motivate students to stay active and involved. When advisors lead with passion and positivity, students follow—resulting in a healthy, thriving Educators Rising chapter.

6. Creating a Chapter That Students Want to Be Part Of (11:05-11:30)**Culture Drives Commitment.**

A thriving chapter is built through intentional experiences that keep students engaged, involved, and excited to participate. This session focuses on how to create a structured yet dynamic environment where students feel connected, valued, and motivated to contribute. Advisors will learn practical strategies for designing engaging meetings, encouraging student involvement, and building traditions that strengthen chapter identity. By creating a culture that is both purposeful and engaging, advisors can build a chapter where students are not only involved—but fully invested.

7. Advisor Toolkit: Systems That Save You Time (11:30-11:55)

Work Smarter. Not Harder.

This session focuses on helping advisors streamline their workload through simple, effective organizational systems. Learn practical strategies for managing deadlines, tracking students, organizing materials, and handling event logistics with ease. Walk away with tools and processes that save time, reduce stress, and create a more efficient and organized chapter experience for both you and your students.

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

8. Professionalism Matters (11:55-12:30)

Look the Part. Act the Part. Be the Part.

This session focuses on helping advisors teach and reinforce professionalism through dress, communication, and presentation skills. With an emphasis on the updated dress code, participants will learn how to prepare students to meet expectations and present themselves with confidence in competitions and professional settings. Walk away with practical strategies to help students make strong impressions, improve performance, and represent themselves—and your chapter—with excellence.

9. The Power of Judging: Strengthening Your Chapter Through Evaluation (12:30-12:55)

Evaluate. Learn. Lead Better.

Serving as a judge and participating in pre-scoring provides valuable insight into competitive event expectations, scoring, and common mistakes. This session will highlight how these experiences strengthen your ability to better prepare and coach your students for success. Advisors will leave with a clearer understanding of rubrics, improved evaluation skills, and strategies to elevate student performance by seeing competitions from the judge's perspective.

10. TRAFLES in Action: Real Classroom Implementation (12:55-1:20)

See how TRAFLES (Teaching, Recreation, Appreciation, Fundraising, Leadership, Educational Excellence, and Service) was brought to life in the classroom and chapter last year. Walk away with real-world examples, proven strategies, and ideas you can immediately apply to your own chapter.

10. Advisors' Roundtable (Interactive) (1:20-2:45)

– A collaborative session to share best practices, tackle challenges, and gain fresh ideas from fellow advisors.

- CTC Recruitment Day Activities
- Competitive Event Prep Discussion
- Gallery of Ideas
- Chapter Make-Over

11. Conference Evaluation (2:45-3:00)