

Frequently Asked Questions

We are finalizing our agenda and programs. Please check out our new convention event page here for frequent updates on speakers, breakout topics and other fun events taking place during the convention.

Convention Registration

Registration questions? Contact Tracie Trent at ttrent@infb.org or 317-692-7846
Online registration is now open and will remain open until **Tuesday, Dec. 3**.

- Please be sure to check the appropriate box during online registration if you are a county
 president, education and outreach coordinator, vice president or secretary/treasurer,
 media/photographer or IFB Insurance staff. The options are below your name on the same screen
 where you can indicate whether or not you are a first-time attendee and/or how you would like
 your first name to appear on your badge.
- A convention registration does not include a hotel reservation. Please see the hotel reservations section below about how to reserve a room at the French Lick Resort or West Baden Springs Hotel.
- Delegates must register themselves for convention and make their own hotel reservations as noted below.
- Payment(s) for meal(s) is expected at the completion of registration. You will need either a debit/credit card or a PayPal account.
- If you are planning to compete in the YF&AP Discussion Meet, please indicate during online registration. INFB staff will follow-up within a few days with additional details.

Hotel Reservations

Hotel inquiries? Contact Chris Fenner at cfenner@infb.org or 317-692-7853

- The deadline for hotel reservations is **Nov. 11** or *until the blocks are full*.
- A convention registration does not include a hotel reservation. Convention attendees and delegates are responsible for reserving their own room(s) unless he/she is on the state board of directors or a spouse, a DEOC or spouse, a YF&AP State Committee member, a YF&AP award winner or finalist, a presenter/ speaker, an award winner for Hovde Award/Farm Family of the Year, or a staff member or spouse.
- For reservations at French Lick Springs Resort **OR** West Baden Springs Hotel, call 1-844-241-6361 and refer to the following group code to take advantage of discounted rates: **1224IFB**. You may indicate your hotel choice when speaking with the reservations team. The standard room rate is \$179.00 per night plus tax. Accommodation upgrades may increase the nightly rate.

Delegates who serve on Saturday, Dec. 14 and YF&AP Discussion Meet participants will be
reimbursed for up to two nights' accommodations (less any incidentals) following the event.
Reimbursement forms will be provided at State Convention which can be completed and
submitted with receipts.

Meals

Reserved meals questions? Contact Tracie Trent at ttrent@infb.org or 317-692-7846

Meal options at 2024 convention:

- County Leader Update and Welcome Dinner, Dec. 12 at 6:30 p.m. ET. Invitation only for county leadership and spouses (president, VP, CEOC and secretary/treasurer), district leaders and spouses (Board, WLC and YF&AP state committee), INFB staff and spouses and Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance executive leadership team and their spouses. Program features the President's address and county recognition. There is no cost to attend this event.
- AgELECT Fundraising Lunch, Dec. 13 at 12:15 p.m. ET Special guest speaker TBA. New in 2024! We will send a separate invitation for the luncheon which gives a variety of attendance and/or donation options. This is a fundraiser where attendees pay to participate. Indiana Farm Bureau (county or state) does not provide reimbursement for this event.
- Lunch on your own, Dec. 13 at 12:15 p.m. ET For attendees not participating in the AgELECT lunch, we will have a food court set up in a designated area at French Lick Resort where you may purchase sandwiches and other items. There are also a variety of local restaurants within a short drive.
- Awards Dinner, Dec. 13 at 6 p.m. ET (\$50 per person payable during registration. No child's meal option). Plated meal with program featuring Farm Family of the Year, Hovde Award presentations, President's Award, YF&AP Achievement Award and Excellence in Ag winners and Agriculture in the Classroom Volunteer of the Year announced. Notes: Payment(s) for meal(s) is expected at the completion of your online registration. If you did not make a payment, please use the link provided in your confirmation email to access your registration and complete that step. Meal tickets are not available for purchase on site and are non-transferable.

Delegate/Alternate Information

Questions related to delegates and reimbursement? Contact Elaine Rueff at erueff@infb.org or 317-692-7807 or Jill Shanley at ishanley@infb.org or 317-692-7842.

- Delegates who serve on Saturday, Dec. 14 will be reimbursed for up to two nights'
 accommodations (less any incidentals) following the event. Reimbursement forms will be provided
 at State Convention which can be completed and submitted with receipts. You must make your
 own hotel reservations as noted in the hotel reservations section above.
- The Awards Dinner on Friday, Dec. 13, will require prepayment of \$50 per person for a meal reservation during online registration. The \$50 fee will be reimbursed after convention for any delegate/delegate alternate who serves on Saturday, Dec. 14. This applies to county presidents serving as delegates as well.

 Reimbursement forms, for delegates who served on Saturday, Dec. 14, for hotel expenses and Friday night awards dinner cost (if paid for by the delegate) and mileage forms will be available onsite.

Transportation and parking

Complimentary shuttle service runs throughout convention between French Lick Springs Resort and West Baden Springs Hotel. All sessions and meals take place at French Lick Springs Resort this year.

Free parking is available for overnight guests at both hotel properties. Please take advantage of the shuttle service provided since the French Lick Springs Hotel will more than likely be sold out and parking could be limited. Complimentary valet is also available at both properties.

Dress

Dress for members attending convention and/or meals is business casual.

Family-friendly activities

French Lick Springs Resort offers a robust schedule of <u>children's activities</u> on most days, including arts and crafts, selfies with Santa and holiday-themed scavenger hunts. <u>Click here</u> to learn more. You may also pick up a kid's fun bag for children ages 4-10 at the INFB convention registration desk.



Agenda

Dec. 12-14, 2024

All times are ET. Subject to change

Thursday, December 12*

*Thursday events and dinner are exclusively for county Farm Bureau executive leadership (president, VP, CEOC and secretary/treasurer), district leaders (Board, WLC and YF&AP state committee, INFB staff and IFB Insurance ELT).

2 – 6:15 p.m. Registration open

3 – 5 p.m. County president packet pick-up

3:15 p.m. Think Tank Meetings (invitation only)

4:30 p.m. County Farm Bureau leader update

Upcoming legislative challenges plus a look at key priorities for 2025 and beyond.

6:30 p.m. Welcome dinner for county leaders

President Kron's address, 2025 Book of the Year announced and misc. internal awards. Plus, after dinner entertainment. Invitation only for county FB leadership and spouses (president, VP, CEOC and secretary/treasurer), district leaders and spouses (Board, WLC and YF&AP state committee), INFB staff and Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance executive

leadership team and spouses.

Friday, December 13

6 a.m. – 6 p.m. Registration Open

7 a.m. DM orientation for competitors and judges

8 a.m. – 3 p.m. County President packet pick-up

8 a.m. DM first round

8:45 – 9:45 a.m. Welcome and Keynote by Jack Uldrich

10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Trade show and Women's Leadership Committee Silent Auction

10 a.m. Round 1 Breakouts – up to four traditional and two tech talks in trade show

10:15 a.m. DM second round

11:10 a.m. Round 2 Breakouts – up to four traditional and two tech talks in trade show

12:15 – 1:45 p.m. AgELECT Fundraising lunch (\$125 pp) – Speaker TBA. Separate email coming

soon to purchase tickets.

OR

Lunch on your own (see the meals section in the FAQ for additional details)

1 p.m. DM semifinal judge orientation

1:45 p.m. DM Semifinal round

1:45 p.m. Issue Discussions and tech talks on trade show stage

3 p.m. Closing general session and keynote by Nina Teicholz

4:10 – 5:30 p.m. Hospitality reception

Enjoy complimentary sodas, water and cheese. Wine and beer can be purchased at the bar. Each attendee over the age of 21 will receive a complimentary drink ticket.

6 – 8:30 p.m. Awards Dinner

Farm Family of the Year and Hovde Award, YF&AP Achievement Award, Rising Star Award and Excellence in Ag finalists and winners recognized, DM Final Four and question

announced and President's Award presentation (if applicable)

8:30 p.m. Networking and socializing

Both hotel properties offer a variety of gathering areas to mix and mingle with

your friends and peers. You may choose from a quiet, laid-back space in front of a warm fire, grab a drink at the lively bar & grill or jump on the shuttle and enjoy a casual glass of

wine in the historic West Baden atrium lounge.

8:30-11:30 p.m. YF&AP Social

Invitation-only for convention attendees 40 years old and under plus their immediate

families.

Saturday, December 14

7 – 10:45 a.m. Registration open

8 a.m. Round 3 Breakouts – two traditional options

 AITC Book of the Year Workshop with Micah Dillman, INFB education coordinator

Market Outlook with INFB Chief Economist Todd Davis

9:30 a.m. Discussion Meet Final Four

10:30 a.m. WLC Silent auction ends.

Payment will be collected from winning bidders and items must be picked up.

10:45 a.m. Indiana Farm Bureau Business Meeting

President election

Financial Report for Indiana Farm Bureau, Inc.

DM winner announced at 10:45 a.m.

12 p.m. Adjourn