

## **CONFERENCE INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS**

### Please note: Attendance must be approved by your chief administrator or community director.

The Huether Lasallian Conference provides an opportunity for educators in the Lasallian Region of North America (RELAN) and beyond to come together to explore educational and spiritual issues of special interest and importance. By addressing this year's theme, "Tradition and Transformation: Aspiring to Our Legacy of Educational Excellence," participants will explore how we can continue building up our Lasallian educational communities while meeting the needs of those entrusted to our care. Our keynote addresses, along with our general and breakout sessions, and educational tracks will bring this conference theme to life.

## **CONFERENCE/ACCOMMODATIONS INFORMATION**

We are excited to host the 50<sup>th</sup> annual Huether Lasallian Conference in St. Charles, Illinois. The historic conference will be held at the:

### <u>Q Center</u>

1405 North Fifth Avenue St. Charles, IL 60174

A gorgeous riverfront city west of Chicago's major airports, St. Charles boasts a vibrant and unique escape without the traffic and stress. Q Center offers 150,000+ square feet of meeting and event space, more than 1,000 guest rooms, dining and entertainment all situated on 95 tranquil acres. Built on a foundation of education, corporate training and the industry's best service, Q Center is considered the Midwest's premier meeting and event experience.

## Christian Brothers Conference (CBC) Overnight Room Reservation Policy

The cost of a participant's overnight accommodations *is included* in the Huether Conference registration fee this year as part of the full three-day and two-day registrations. Single-day registration is available and excludes overnight accommodations. Participants will be asked on the registration form to acknowledge and agree to the conditions of this policy as part of registration.

#### Reservations

Overnight room reservations for the Huether Conference can be made online as part of the registration process. Full three-day and two-day registrations automatically reserve overnight accommodations.

#### **Reservation Cut-off Date**

The cut-off date to register for the Huether Lasallian Conference and secure overnight accommodations is Monday, October 23, 2023, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

## Check-in/Checkout

Check-in time starts at 4:00 p.m., and checkout time is 11:00 a.m.

### TRAVEL INFORMATION

#### **CBC Travel Policy**

All travel arrangements and costs, including airfare, train, bus and/or other ground transportation costs, are the sole responsibility of the participant. Participants will be asked on the registration form to acknowledge and agree to the conditions of this policy.

### **Driving (from Airport)**

<u>Click here for custom driving directions to the Q Center from O'Hare International Airport. (approx. 40 minutes)</u> <u>Click here for custom driving directions to the Q Center from Midway International Airport. (approx. 1 hour)</u>

#### <u>Taxi</u>

Taxi service is available on a first come, first serve basis from the lower-level curb of all terminals. All taxis are metered.

#### Uber/Lyft/other app-based ride services

Uber and Lyft are also available. If participants choose one of these services, it is highly recommended to download the service's app before heading to Illinois. Participants can download the app directly to their iPhone from the App Store or to their Android device from the Google Play Store.

#### **Public Transportation**

Public transportation is another option to explore for getting to the Q Center. Please see below for links to outline ways to get to St. Charles from Chicago's Ogilvie Transportation Center, O'Hare International Airport and Midway International Airport.

#### Commuter Rail From Chicago

<u>Metrarail's Union Pacific West line from Ogilvie Transportation Center</u> can have you to St. Charles' Geneva Metra Station in roughly one hour. For more information, visit <u>Metra.com</u>

#### From O'Hare International

Chicago Transit Authority can get participants from O'Hare to the St. Charles Geneva Metra Station with a mix of buses and city trains, commonly known as the "L," starting with the Blue Line. Please click the link above the see the public transportation options from O'Hare.

#### From Midway International

Chicago Transit Authority can get participants from Midway to the St. Charles Geneva Metra Station with a mix of buses and city trains, commonly known as the "L," starting with the Orange Line. Please click the link above the see the public transportation options from Midway.

#### **HUETHER CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

The Huether Lasallian Conference will begin with an opening Mass on **Thursday, November 16, 2023,** at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Distinguished Lasallian Educators and Brother John Johnston, FSC Award presentations and reception. As part of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, we will gather for Mass Saturday afternoon, followed by an evening reception to allow for continued association and networking. The reception will also feature a Huether Storytelling Hour where participants will be invited to share their connections to the Lasallian mission with one another. *We encourage participants to arrange return travel on Sunday, November 19 to give plenty of time to be in community with each other and to explore the many amenities St. Charles has to offer!* 

#### FIRST-TIME ATTENDEE PRE-CONFERENCE ZOOM & BREAKFAST

If you are attending the Huether Lasallian Conference for the first time, you are invited to join other first-time attendees, Huether mentors and members of the conference's planning committee for a Meet and Greet Zoom the week before Huether. Meet colleagues from throughout the Region, receive tips on how to get the most out of your conference experience and ask questions to help you feel "at home with Huether" before even arriving! On Friday, November 17, first-time attendees will be invited to a special breakfast to pick up where they left off, to continue network, building community and meeting fellow first-timers and mentors face-to-face, all while being supported and encouraged to engage in all aspects of the Huether Lasallian Conference. Please indicate if you are a first-time attendee or interested in mentoring a first-time attendee on your registration form.

# HUETHER 2023 YAPP APP

The Yapp app will help you plan your time at the Q Center by listing the program schedule, facilities map, speaker information, directory of participants, list of exhibitors and sponsors, local restaurants, attractions, activities and more.

The Yapp app will also allow participants to contact one other, receive program updates during the conference and personalize their schedule with the sessions and conference tracks they plan to attend. Download the Yapp app to an iPhone from <u>the App Store</u>, to an Android device from the <u>Google Play Store</u>, or to another other mobile device using the appropriate app store, or visit our specialized Yapp web address that will be shared with participants in early November. You can also add the conference materials by browsing Yapp and searching for "Huether Lasallian Conference 2023."

## **CBC PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEO POLICY**

By attending this conference and its events, participants understand and agree that their image may be captured by Christian Brothers Conference and used without compensation in photographs, videos, motion pictures or other recordings or record of the event that contains the image for any purpose, including for future advertising of the Huether Lasallian Conference. Participants will be asked on the registration form to acknowledge and must agree to the conditions of this policy.

## **ATTIRE**

The dress for daytime conference functions and sessions is business casual. The average temperature for November in St. Charles is a high of 45° and a low of 33°. You will need a heavier jacket or winter attire for outside/evening activities.

## LOCAL ACTIVITIES/ATTRACTIONS

Downtown St. Charles is a picturesque city without the big city stress. With fine dining, shopping and renowned events, St. Charles is the Pride of the Fox River! We encourage you to visit the <u>St. Charles Business Alliance website</u> for all the attractions, events and amenities the city has to offer during your down time at the Huether Lasallian Conference.

## **QUESTIONS/CONTACT:**

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Thank you for your support of this important educational formation experience. We look forward to seeing you in St. Charles!