

2018 Region VII Head Start/Early Head Start Director's Caucus

October 15-17, 2018 • The Elms Hotel and Spa, Excelsior Springs, MO

Hotel Room Block: Call The Elms at 800-843-3567 and mention *Region 7 Head Start*

- Cut-off date: September 15th or **until sold out**

Airport: Kansas City International (Airport code: MCI) approximately 35-miles to hotel

- Ground transportation: KCI Shuttle info: <http://www.airportshuttles.com>
- Elm's Shuttle: provides airport & Liberty area transportation

Registration [link/Information](#):

Audience: Head Start Agency Executive Director or Program Director (150-175 attendees)

Mindful morning and afternoon stretches with Laura Brooke

Spa—make your appointments now—limited reservations available!

Exhibit Hall

Monday, October 15th, 2018

7:00 am – 5:00 pm

Registration table open (hotel lobby)

10:00 am - 12:30 pm
Truman Boardroom

Region VII Head Start Association
Board of Directors Meeting and Working Luncheon

1:30 – 5:00pm
Grand Ballroom

Welcome and setting the context for the event
Creating A Positive Work Environment
Keynote: Kent Rader

3:00 – 3:30pm
Grand Ballroom

Mindful afternoon stretches with Laura Brooke

5:00pm

FREE EVENING

Make your Spa appointments and dinner reservations early!

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Tuesday, October 16th, 2018

- 7:00 am – 5:00 pm Registration table open (hotel lobby)
- 7:00 am **Mindful morning stretches** with *Laura Brooke*
Courtyard Gazebo *Bring your own mat!*
- 7:30 – 8:30 am Light Continental Breakfast (Networking)
- 8:30 am **Addressing the Challenge of Staff Retention**
Grand Ballroom - Shifting the Focus to opportunities
 - Facilitated table discussions
 - Report Out – Grantees
- 10:00 – 10:30 Break (beverages provided)
- 10:30 – 12:00 pm Session continues
- 12:00 – 1:30 *Lunch Buffet & Networking*
- 1:30 – 3:00 **Policy Summit & Town Hall Chat**
Grand Ballroom Tommy Sheridan, National Head Start Association
- 3:00 pm Break
- 3:30 – 5:00 pm **State Breakout Meetings**
MO — Regent Ballroom
KS — Excelsior Room
IA — Empire Room
NE — Saratoga Room
- 5:00 pm Dinner on your own — Check out the local flavor!
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- 7:00 pm **Bonfire under the Stars**

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Wednesday, October 17th, 2018

7:00 am **Mindful morning stretches** with *Laura Brooke*
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8:30 am – 12:30 pm **Regional Office Update**
Grand Ballroom Clarence Small, RPM & Team, Region VII Office of Head Start

12:30 pm Event concludes — Safe Travels!

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