

2026 WAHCE Conference Registration Information

September 21-23, 2026

The Lismore: Doubletree by Hilton 333 Gibson Street Eau Claire, WI

Make check payable to: WAHCE, Inc. Mail with registration form to:
Jane Grabarski, 996 Evergreen Avenue, Grand Marsh, WI 53936 Email: janegrabarski@gmail.com

- Fees: \$180 for HCE members, and \$190 for non-members. Registration fee includes meals.
- One day registration cost for Tuesday only is \$110. Fee includes lunch and dinner.
- Tour fees are separate, as are the fees for some of the workshops.
- WAHCE reserves the right to alter or cancel a class as necessary.
- There is a \$50 late fee for late registration, after August 15.
- Registration fees are transferable, but not refundable.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 15, 2026

Registration Hours: Sunday, September 20.....2:00-6:00 pm
Monday, September 21.....8:30 am -5:00 pm
Tuesday, September 22.....7:00 am-8:30 am

Tours: Three tours are scheduled as well as on-site activities. Please indicate your first (1), second (2), and third (3) choice. If your first choice is canceled or full, you will automatically be given your second choice. Include the tour fee for your choice with your registration. Please indicate any special bus accommodations on your registration form.

Cultural Arts: Items may be brought on Sunday (September 20) from 2:00-8:00 pm or Monday (September 21) from 8:00-11:30 am. Judging will begin at 11:30 am on Monday the 21st.

Business Meeting: President Phoebe Shourds will preside at the WAHCE, Inc., Annual Business Meeting which is open to all conference attendees. Voting delegates (County Presidents and WAHCE Board members) are required to attend. All voting delegates will sit in assigned seating. This meeting begins at 8:00 am on Tuesday, September 22.

Workshops: There will be six workshops held in each time period on each day. Please indicate your first (1), second (2), third (3), fourth (4), fifth (5), and sixth (6) choice in each time period. Additional choices are necessary in case your first choice is filled. Omitting the additional choices will not insure placement in your first choice.

Education Program Workshops: Every county should have a county representative attend these sessions: All are welcome.

Program #1: Grandparenting through Generations (September 22, 10:30-11:45 am)

Program #2: Cooking for One or Two (September 23, 8:30-9:45 am)

Meals: Meals include Monday night dinner, Tuesday breakfast, lunch and dinner, and Wednesday breakfast and lunch. Please indicate any special meal requirements on the registration form. Tuesday one day registration includes lunch and dinner.

Room Reservations: The Lismore 333 Gibson Street, Eau Claire, WI 54701. Make reservations by calling the hotel directly at 715-835-8888 and selecting Option “0” to be directed to the Hotel front desk. Ask for the HCE BLOCK of rooms. The hotel is beginning to fill up. Full and Double Queen rooms are fully booked. Single Queen and single King rooms are still available at the rate of \$139 per night. The cut off date for reservations is August 21, 2026. Any remaining rooms will be released at that time.

If you need a Double Queen room, the SpringHill Suites at 1111 Menomonie Street (715-861-8744) can assist you with a booking. Rooms are also available at the Oxbow Hotel at 516 Galloway Street (715-839-0601). Please call the co-chair with any questions.

Wisconsin Sales Tax Exemption: Unless you are being reimbursed by your county HCE organization, you will be charged sales tax. Please ask your County President for the letter required by the hotel.

Any questions, please contact us by phone or email.

Conference Chair: Roberta Shaffer, 715-791-4510, bertashaffer@gmail.com

Conference Co-chair: Kristy Sand, 715-554-1349, wahce2026@yahoo.com