



Attendee Information Packet



Welcome to Convergence 2026!

We are thrilled to have you join us for this year's conference. Whether you are here to learn, network, or gain new insights, Convergence 2026 is designed to inspire, connect, and empower you in your professional journey.

Explore engaging sessions, meet passionate colleagues, and take advantage of every opportunity to grow. We're excited to see the connections you'll make and the ideas you'll take home.

Welcome, and enjoy the conference!

Conference Theme

This year's theme, Connect!, celebrates the power of connection between professionals, ideas, and experiences. Whether you're networking with peers, learning from inspiring sessions, or exploring new approaches in your field, every moment of the conference is an opportunity to connect, collaborate, and grow.

Key Information

Location: The Hilton Union Square San Francisco, 333 O'Farrell St, San Francisco, CA 94102

[Convergence Website](#)

For general questions, please contact connerly@csha.org.

Registration

Wednesday, March 11: Early registration from 5:00-6:30 p.m. in the Registration Area in the Yosemite Foyer located inside of the Hilton Union Square.

Thursday, March 12th: Registration begins at 7:00 a.m. in the Registration Area

Friday, March 13th: Registration begins at 7:00 a.m. in the Registration Area

Saturday, March 14th: Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. in the Registration Area

Sunday, March 15th: For any questions, please visit the Help Desk outside of Plaza A & B.

Please note, all attendees will need to visit registration to print their badge.



Exhibit Hall Hours

The exhibit hall is located in Grand Ballroom A & B.

Thursday, 3/12 Exhibit Hall Grand Opening: 5:30pm to 7:00 pm

Friday, 03/13 Exhibit Hours: 10am to 5pm Saturday,

03/14, Exhibit Hours: 10am to 5:00 p.m.

Closing Bingo, Saturday, 3/14: 5:00-5:30 p.m.

Floor Plan

To help you navigate the conference, a floor plan is available. You can view it [here](#) or directly in the conference app.

Conference Attire

Everyone is welcome just as they are! Attire for the conference is casual to business casual. Jeans, comfortable shoes, and whatever makes you feel your best are all perfectly fine. Focus on being comfortable while you learn, connect, and explore the conference.

Parking

The Hilton Union Square offers onsite self-parking and valet for guests. Convergence attendees will receive 30% off of the self-parking rate.

Self-Parking: \$70+tax, on-site

Valet: \$80+tax, on-site

EV Charging: 4 chargers on the 6th floor and 4 in Valet

Secured Parking: Available

Covered Parking: Available

In/out Privileges: Available

Conference App

Before arriving at Convergence, we encourage you to download the Convergence event app.

To download the app, please follow the following instructions:



1. In your app store, download the Cvent Events app or click the following link to download the app: <https://mobile-event.cvent.me/MfPKiEiwkGHb?eventId=a572598f-d08f-435f-a5d2-428bf2322a86&feature=openEvent&environment=production>
2. Open the app and search for Convergence 2026
3. Download the event
4. Login using your name and email address. Please note, you must enter the email address associated with your registration.

Session CEU Codes

To earn CEUs, presenters will provide a unique session code at the start of each session.

Once the code is displayed, you must enter it in the Convergence app. To receive CEUs, the code must be entered within the first 10 minutes of the session.

If you miss entering the code, experience technical difficulties, or do not have a smartphone, you can complete the Certificate Correction Form, which will be shared after the conference.

Please note: Volunteers and staff will no longer be able to scan attendees into sessions after the first 10 minutes of a session on site.

Social Events

Morning Wellness

Start your day energized and centered! Join us for our Morning Wellness sessions, designed to refresh your mind and body before the conference activities begin.

Friday: Yoga

Flow into your day with a rejuvenating yoga session from 7:00–8:00 AM. Perfect for all levels, this session will help you stretch, breathe, and find your focus.

Saturday: Zumba

Kick off the weekend with a high-energy Zumba class from 7:00–8:00 AM. Dance, move, and get your heart pumping in a fun, welcoming environment.



Bring comfortable clothing, a yoga mat or towel (for Friday), and water. Both experiences are a great way to connect with fellow attendees while taking care of yourself!

SLPA Luncheon

Join us for a special luncheon honoring the dedication and achievements of Speech-Language Pathology Assistants. Connect with colleagues, enjoy a delicious meal, and celebrate the contributions of SLPA professionals.

- Cost: \$25
- Pre-registration required

Celebration of Excellence

Celebrate outstanding contributions in our field at the Celebration of Excellence! This event recognizes award recipients, highlights inspiring accomplishments, and provides an opportunity to network with peers. There will be a DJ, dancing, carving station, photo booth, and more!

- Cost: \$25
- Pre-registration required

To attend either event, please add them to your registration by modifying your current registration. Spaces are limited, so secure your spot early!

Poster and Student Research Sessions

Poster Sessions

Poster sessions will now be structured in a new format. The 90-minute session block will be divided into three 30-minute periods, allowing attendees to explore more topics and engage with presenters more flexibly.

- Each 30-minute period will have its own unique session code.
- Attendees can still earn up to 1.5 CEUs for full participation.

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- Be sure to enter the correct session code for each period in the Convergence app to receive CEU credit.

This updated format is designed to maximize your learning and networking opportunities while ensuring you can track your CEU participation accurately.

To identify poster presentations in the app or our interactive program, filter by Presentation Type> Poster Session. 'Poster Session' will also be featured within all Student Research presentation titles.

Student Research Presentations

Student Research Presentations are comprised of six 15-minute presentations within a 90minute presentation.

To identify student research presentations in the app or our interactive program, filter by Presentation Type> Student Research Presentation. 'Student Research Presentation' will also be featured within all Student Research presentation titles.

FAQ

How many CEUs can I earn at Convergence?

This program meets the qualifications for a maximum of 27.5 hours of continuing professional development credit for Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists as required by the California Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensers Board.

The session I want to attend is full. Can I still attend?

If a session is marked as full in the app, you're welcome to wait outside the session's room. If a seat becomes available at the start of the session, you are welcome to join.

What is the difference between the help desk and the registration area?

CSHA volunteers will be located at both stations, but each area serves a different purpose.

Help Desk

The Help Desk can answer any questions you have about the conference, provide directional support, assist with session or schedule information, and help with general conference needs. The Help Desk is located outside of Plaza A&B, directly behind the hotel lobby.

Registration



Registration is inside the Yosemite Foyer and is where you will check in, print your badge, and register on-site. CSHA staff will also be available to assist with any questions.

When will I receive a record of the courses I attended and a transcript of my conference CEUs?

All Convergence certificates will be sent by the end of the day on Friday, March 20, 2026.

To ensure the sessions you attended appear on your certificate, you must make sure to enter the unique code for each session within the first 10 minutes of each session.

Please note: Certificates are contingent on the completion of an end of conference survey. Surveys will be visible in the Convergence app after the conclusion of the conference.

High Level Schedule

For an overview of each day's events, view the [Convergence 2026 High Level Schedule](#).

Silent Auction

This year's silent auction benefitting the CSHA Foundation will feature products and services donated by companies and individuals providing goods and services to SLPs. Be sure to visit the Silent Auction tables in the Exhibit Hall!

Stay Connected

Stay connected onsite and ensure you don't miss any post conference updates by following CSHA's social media pages.

Instagram: @cshaorg

Facebook: California Speech Language Hearing Association.

Questions at Convergence?

Starting on Monday, March 9th, communication times may be delayed due to CSHA's staff and Board traveling to the conference. If you have questions, please visit the CSHA Help Desk located outside of Plaza A & B and our team will be happy to assist you in person!