

District Conferences

General Information

Each year District Conferences are scheduled during the months of May and June to allow all Sections within a particular District to interact with each other, their District Director, and a staff representative from National. Section representatives to the Conference participate in idea sharing and discussions on various Section activities and events. They are also updated on National activities and new programs.

Conference attendees will nominate and select recipients for the various National, District, Section and Student Chapter Member awards for that year. Also selected are the representatives who will attend the AWS Leadership Symposium and Instructors Institute, held each summer in Miami. Each District is allocated \$5,000 for District scholarships, and attendees will participate in the important task of selecting District Scholarship recipients from their area. *(see District Conferences – District Scholarship instructions and form)*

In February and March, Section Chairmen receive the following information to help them prepare for their District Conference. This information should be shared with other Section Officers who will be attending or who may be involved with the nomination and/or selection process of your Section's award or scholarship candidates.

- sample form to help with reporting and discussing your Section's activities *(see Districts Conferences-Section Report Form)*
- reimbursement policies for travel, host Section, and attendance *(see District Conferences-Reimbursements)*
- descriptions, criteria and nomination forms for National, District, Section, and Student Chapter Member awards *(see District Conferences–Selection Guidelines and National, District and Section Awards)*

Section Officers will receive the date and location of the Conference from their District Director or the host Section. Section involvement is very important, and every effort should be made to ensure that all Sections are represented.