



WAI2026

Schedule At A Glance

(as of January 15, 2026)

Wednesday, March 18

(Pre-Conference Activities)

- 10 a.m.–5 p.m. Exhibitor Set-Up
- TOURS:**
- 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m. American Airlines Tour
- 11 a.m.–2:30 p.m. CAE Tour
- 1–5 p.m. Ft. Worth Stockyards & Line Dancing Tour
- 3–8 p.m. Southwest Airlines Tours (3 options)
Additional fee may apply; registration required
- noon–5:30 p.m. Registration Open
- noon–6 p.m. WAI Store Open
- 1–5 p.m. Chapter Leadership Workshop
- 1–5 p.m. Professional Development Seminars
– PD 1: Destroy Your Imposter Syndrome
– PD 2: Overcoming Underearning: Elevate Your Worth, Expand Your Career
Additional fee; registration required
- 5–6:30 p.m. 1st Timer Conference Attendee Event
- 5–6:30 p.m. Braintate Lounge Open
- 6:30–7:30 p.m. Chapter Connect Reception *Invitation only*
(Sponsored by Cirrus)
- 7:30–10 p.m. Jazz with Wings Hangar Dance
(Sponsored by Wings Credit Union)

Thursday, March 19

- 7 a.m.–5 p.m. Registration Open
- 7 a.m.–7 p.m. WAI Store Open
- 7–7:45 a.m. Mind. Body. Spirit. Courses:
– Yoga
– Sound Bath and Mindfulness
Additional fee; registration required
- 7:30–8:30 a.m. New Members Breakfast
Members who joined April 2025 or after
- 7:30–8:45 a.m. Braintate Lounge Open
- 9–10 a.m. Opening General Session and Membership Meeting
Lynda Coffman and Nicole Malachowski
(Sponsored by United)
- 10–11 a.m. Exhibit Hall Preview Hour
- 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Braintate Lounge Open
- 10 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Authors Connect Open
(Sponsored by United)
- 11 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Exhibit Hall Open
- 11 a.m.–noon Education Sessions & Industry Briefings
- 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Networking 101 for Students
Presented by American Airlines
- 12–1:30 p.m. Break (Exhibit Hall Open)
- 12:30–1:15 p.m. Mind. Body. Spirit. Course: Self-Defense
Additional fee; registration required
- 1–2:30 p.m. Plan & Host an Outstanding GIAD Event
- 1:30–2:30 p.m. Education Sessions & Industry Briefings
- 1:30–3:00 p.m. Speed Mentoring Session
Registration required
- 3–4 p.m. Educating the Future Workforce in Aerospace
- 3–4 p.m. Education Sessions & Industry Briefings

Thursday, March 19 (continued)

- 4:30–5:30 p.m. Opening Night Reception
- 5:30–6:30 p.m. International Members Reception
International Members only
- 5:30 p.m. Aviation Networking Night

Friday, March 20

- 7 a.m.–4 p.m. Registration Open
- 7–7:45 a.m. Mind. Body. Spirit. Course: Self-Defense
Additional fee; registration required
- 7 a.m.–6 p.m. WAI Store Open
- 7:15–8:45 a.m. Authors Connect: Meet the Authors
(Sponsored by United)
- 7:30–8:45 a.m. Braintate Lounge Open
- 8 a.m.–4 p.m. Authors Connect Open
(Sponsored by United)
- 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Exhibit Hall Open
- 9–10 a.m. Morning General Session
Alex Marren and The Honorable Jennifer Homendy
(Sponsored by Amazon)
- 10:30–11:30 a.m. Education Sessions & Industry Briefings
- 10:30–noon How to Start a WAI Chapter
- 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Braintate Lounge Open
- 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m. Break (Exhibit Hall Open)
- noon–12:45 p.m. Mind. Body. Spirit. Course:
– Sound Bath and Mindfulness
Additional fee; registration required
- 1–2 p.m. General Session: Scholarship Celebration
- 2:30–3:30 p.m. Education Sessions & Industry Briefings
- 2:30–4 p.m. Student & Collegiate Chapter Leadership Workshop
- 2:30–5:30 p.m. Braintate Lounge Open
- 4–5 p.m. Education Sessions & Industry Briefings
- 6:30–8:30 p.m. Pioneer Hall of Fame Ceremony & Celebration Dinner
Additional fee; registration required
(Sponsored by American Airlines)
- 8:30–10:30 p.m. WAI After Party & Dancing

Saturday, March 21 / Girls in Aviation Day Dallas

- 7–10:30 a.m. Registration Open
- 7–7:45 a.m. Mind. Body. Spirit. Course: Zumba
Additional fee; registration required
- 7:30–10:30 a.m. Braintate Lounge Open
- 8–9:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversation in the Exhibit Hall
- 8–10:30 a.m. Authors Connect Open
(Sponsored by United)
- 8–10:30 a.m. Exhibit Hall Open
- 8 a.m.–noon WAI Store Open
- 8 a.m.–3 p.m. Girls in Aviation Day Dallas
Separate registration required
- 9–10 a.m. Education Sessions & Industry Briefings
- 10:30–11:45 a.m. Closing General Session **Stephanie Chung**
(Sponsored by Delta)
- 10:30 a.m.–3 p.m. Exhibitor Tear Down