

## Welcome Galactic Guardians!

We're thrilled to welcome you to the 2025 FASFAA Annual Conference, happening May 27–30 at the beautiful Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress Resort in Orlando, FL! Before you pack your bags, here's everything you need to know to get the most out of this unforgettable experience:

### Before You Go

- **Hotel Check-In:** 4:00 PM | **Check-Out:** 11:00 AM
- **Parking:** Discounted self-parking is available for \$10/day for both overnight and day guests.
- **Registration Desk:** Your first stop—pick up your name badge, welcome materials, and a new member or first-time attendee gift!

### Important Billing Reminders

- **Cash-Free Conference:** Please ensure all outstanding invoices are paid online before arrival.
- All raffles and charity donations will also be cashless—please plan to use a card or digital payment method onsite.
- **Using a Company Credit Card?**
  - You must complete a Hyatt Credit Card Authorization Form at least 72 hours prior to check-in.
  - Forms can be accessed on the [Hyatt website](#) or requested directly from the hotel.
- **Tax-Exempt Guests:**
  - Email [orlandograndcypress.regency@hyatt.com](mailto:orlandograndcypress.regency@hyatt.com) to request the **Tax Attestation Form**.
  - Complete and return the form **no later than 72 hours before check-in**.
  - You'll also need to present:
    - A government-issued photo ID
    - The completed tax exemption form
    - A government/business payment card in the same name

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## Make a Difference: Support Our 2025 Conference Charities


FASFAA is proud to support two inspiring causes this year—and we need your help to make a powerful impact:

### ***Bonnie L. Pirkle Memorial Scholarship***



This beloved scholarship honors the legacy of Bonnie Pirkle, a dedicated leader in our profession. Each year, FASFAA officers select students at their institutions to receive this meaningful award.


Stop by the Registration Desk to purchase a **FASFAA shirt for \$25**—all proceeds benefit the scholarship fund.

 Scan the QR code onsite to donate today and help students thrive!

### ***Opportunity Community Ability (OCA)***



OCA is FASFAA's 2024–2025 charity partner. This incredible organization empowers individuals with special needs through inclusive education, job training, and community programs.

 Scan the QR code to support OCA's mission of accessibility and inclusion!

**Donation Deadline:** Wednesday, May 29 at 2:00 PM (ET)

The top-contributing region will be crowned during the Galactic Gala—and yes, there might be a pie in the face for one of our FASFAA leaders!

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## **Cast Your Vote – FASFAA Elections Are Live!**

Don't forget to vote in the 2025 Executive Board Elections and help shape the future of our association.

[Vote Here](#)

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## **Galactic Gala – An Out-of-This-World Celebration**

Get ready for an interstellar evening of dancing and cosmic fun! Dress in creative cocktail attire—think celestial sparkle, galactic glam, or sleek sci-fi chic. This is your time to shine among the stars and celebrate a week of advocacy, innovation, and community.

## **Conference Highlights You Don't Want to Miss**

- Directors summit: A premier event for financial aid leaders to gather for collaboration, professional growth, and strategy-building in an ever-evolving landscape. This is your opportunity to unite with peers and elevate the future of student aid.
- Pre-Conference Events: Begin Tuesday, May 27
- Exclusive Disney Ticket Discounts: Available now on the FASFAA Conference Website

We can't wait to welcome you for a week of inspiration, connection, and giving. Thank you for all that you do—and for supporting the causes and community that reflect the very best of FASFAA.