



ILLINOIS ROADS SCHOLAR PROGRAM
MAY 10-14, 2027
KELLER CONVENTION CENTER
EFFINGHAM, IL.

2027 SCHEDULE*

*SUBJECT TO CHANGE

MONDAY

DAILY ATTIRE:
CASUAL

12PM-2PM
REGISTRATION

2PM-6:30PM
ORIENTATION & CHOICE THEORY
STEVE LUDWIG
LUDWIG SPEAKS, LLC

WELCOME SESSION, PROGRAM
 EXPECTATIONS, & HOW TO
 COMMUNICATE WELL

TUESDAY

DAILY ATTIRE:
CASUAL

6:30AM-7:30AM
BREAKFAST

7:30AM-11:30AM
LIVE LINE
STEVE HANCOCK,
LIVE LINE, INC.

HAZARDS AND MANAGEMENT
 REGARDING LIVE ELECTRICAL
 UTILITIES

11:30AM-12:30PM
LUNCH

12:30PM-4:30PM
SMALL TOOL
SAFETY
STEVE LUDWIG,
LUDWIG SPEAKS, LLC

TRAIN THE TRAINER &
 EQUIPMENT USE AND SAFETY

WEDNESDAY

DAILY ATTIRE:
CASUAL

6:30AM-7:30AM
BREAKFAST

7:30AM-9:30AM
PAVEMENT
MANAGEMENT
TIM MURPHY, PRESIDENT
MURPHY PAVEMENT TECHNOLOGY,
INC.

ASPHALT BASICS, MAINTENANCE
 AND BEST PRACTICES

9:30AM-11:30AM
MOWER OPERATIONS &
SAFETY
STEVE LUDWIG,
LUDWIG SPEAKS LLC

BEST PRACTICES OF MOWER USE
 AND SAFETY

11:30AM-12:30PM
LUNCH

12:30PM-2:30PM
SNOW & ICE CONTROL
TOM MILAS, PUBLIC WORKS
SUPERINTENDENT
VILLAGE OF BUFFALO GROVE

WINTER OPERATIONS - SHORT
 COURSE FOR SNOW FIGHTERS

2:30PM-4:30PM
GIS & ASSET MANAGEMENT
KYLE JOHNSON,
GEWALT HAMILTON ASSOCIATES,
INC.

WHAT IT IS, AND WHY IT'S
 IMPORTANT

THURSDAY

DAILY ATTIRE:
OUTDOOR WEAR,
STEEL-TOE BOOTS,
SAFETY VEST, HARD
HAT & SAFETY
GLASSES

6:30AM-7:30AM
BREAKFAST

7:30AM-11:30AM
TRAFFIC INCIDENT
MANAGEMENT
JAMES AUSTRICH,
ROBIN HELMERICH'S
FEDERAL HIGHWAY
SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

OUR ROLE, THE ROLE OF OTHER
 RESPONDERS, & INCIDENT
 MANAGEMENT

11:30AM-12:30PM
LUNCH

12:30PM-4:30PM
TRENCHING &
SHORING
DAN PEARSON
FIRST IN RESCUE TRAINING

LAWS, STANDARDS &
 PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS AND
 TECHNIQUES

5:00PM
INDOOR/OUTDOOR
PICNIC AND
GRADUATION DINNER

FRIDAY

DAILY ATTIRE:
CASUAL

6:30AM-7:30AM
BREAKFAST

7:30AM-10:30AM
IDOT FLAGGER
TRAINING
STEPHANIE O'DELL
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION

MANDATED STATE OF ILLINOIS
 FLAGGER TRAINING

10:30AM-12PM
TEAM MEMBERSHIP
STEVE LUDWIG
LUDWIG SPEAKS, LLC

STRATEGIES FOR BECOMING AN
 EXCELLENT TEAMMATE

DINNER ON YOUR OWN

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REGISTRATION DETAILS

STEP 1: COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION FORM.

- SCAN THE QR CODE TO THE RIGHT. FILL OUT AND SUBMIT THE REGISTRATION FORM.
- THIRD YEAR GRADUATES MAY INVITE GUESTS TO OUR PICNIC & GRADUATION CEREMONY.
- REGISTRATION FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL GUEST MAY ALSO BE DONE THROUGH THE QR CODE.



SCAN TO REGISTER

STEP 2: PAY YOUR REGISTRATION FEE OF \$825.

- REGISTRATION FEE FOR PICNIC & GRADUATION CEREMONY GUESTS IS \$40 PER INDIVIDUAL.
- PAYMENTS MAY BE MADE ONLINE OR BY CHECK AND MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE APRIL 2, 2027.
- CREDIT CARDS ARE ACCEPTED AT [HTTPS://WWW.EVENTBRITE.COM/E/2027-ILLINOIS-ROAD-SCHOLAR-PROGRAM-TICKETS-1993553942507?AFF=ODDTOTCREATOR](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2027-illinois-road-scholar-program-tickets-1993553942507?aff=oddtotcreator) OR AT THE QR CODE BELOW.
- CHECKS ARE TO BE MADE OUT TO APWA CHICAGO METRO CHAPTER AND MAILED TO:



SCAN TO PAY ONLINE

STEP 3: RESERVE YOUR HOTEL ROOM

- HOLIDAY INN EFFINGHAM - (217) 540-7777 - GROUP CODE: APW
- YOU MAY ALTERNATIVELY STAY AT COUNTRY INN AND SUITES - (217) 540-5555
- YOU MUST CALL THE HOTEL IF YOU WISH TO RECEIVE THE GROUP RATE. MENTION YOU ARE WITH APWA ILLINOIS ROADS SCHOLAR PROGRAM WHEN BOOKING.

PROGRAM CANCELLATION POLICY:

- A SUBSTITUTE FROM THE SAME COMMUNITY CAN BE ARRANGED ANY TIME BEFORE APRIL 2, 2027, PENDING AVAILABILITY.
- A \$50 FEE WILL APPLY AFTER THE DEADLINE.
- NO REFUNDS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR NO-SHOWS OR CANCELLATIONS AFTER THE POSTED DEADLINE.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU! MORE INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED VIA EMAIL AS THE EVENT DATE NEARS.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT LAURA CANUTE, PROGRAM COORDINATOR AT LAURA.A.CANUTE@GMAIL.COM

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