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STUDENT SYMPOSIUM

SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE

2026 ASCE Indiana-Kentucky
Student Symposium

NOTE TO SPONSORS

Dear Prospective Sponsors,

The University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville are proud to announce that we will be co-hosting the 2026 ASCE Indiana-Kentucky Student Symposium, to be held in **Lexington, Kentucky**, from **April 9th–11th, 2026**.

This prestigious event serves as a dynamic platform for civil engineering students to collaborate, compete, and showcase their technical skills. The symposium emphasizes professional development and community building, offering unparalleled networking opportunities with industry professionals and peers alike—fostering connections that may lead to future career opportunities and lasting professional relationships.

We are excited to welcome students from across the region to participate in hallmark events such as the AISC/ASCE Steel Bridge Competition, ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition, ASCE UESI Surveying Competition, ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition, Daniel W. Mead Paper Competition, and more. These competitions challenge students to apply classroom knowledge to real-world engineering problems—preparing the next generation of civil engineers for success.

It is a tremendous honor to host this event, and we are committed to making it both impactful and memorable. However, as a student-led initiative, we rely heavily on the generous support of sponsors like you. Your contribution not only makes this symposium possible, but also directly supports the education and development of future industry leaders.

We are pleased to offer a variety of sponsorship packages, each with meaningful recognition and benefits tailored to your level of support. Full details can be found on the How to Donate page later in this package. If you have any questions, would like additional information, or are ready to discuss sponsorship opportunities, please feel free to contact us at 2026asceinky@gmail.com.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to invest in the future of civil engineering. We look forward to the possibility of partnering with you to make the 2026 ASCE Indiana-Kentucky Student Symposium an extraordinary success.

Sincerely,

The University of Kentucky–Louisville Symposium Planning Team

ABOUT ASCE

The American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) is a national professional organization dedicated to advancing the civil engineering profession. Founded in 1852, ASCE provides members with opportunities for technical growth, leadership development, and community engagement. Through local chapters and student organizations, ASCE connects civil engineers across disciplines, offering educational resources, networking events, conferences, and competitions. The Society plays a key role in promoting innovation, upholding ethical standards, and advocating for infrastructure improvements worldwide. For students, ASCE offers a platform to develop technical skills, collaborate on projects, and build lasting professional relationships.

ABOUT SYMPOSIUM

The ASCE Student Symposium competitions are annual events where civil engineering students from universities across our region gather to showcase their technical skills, creativity, and teamwork. These competitions challenge students to apply engineering principles to real-world scenarios while promoting leadership, collaboration, and innovation. In addition to competitions, symposiums offer professional networking, educational workshops, and social activities that strengthen connections within the civil engineering community.

Society-Wide Competitions:

- ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition
- AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition
- ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition
- ASCE UESI Surveying Competition
- ASCE Construction Institute Competition
- Timber-Strong Design Build Competition
- 3D Printing Competitions

Local Competitions:

- Concrete Horseshoe
- Concrete Cornhole
- Technical Paper
- Water Treatment
- Trivia

^{**}Note, these are tentatively offered for 2026. The Committee on Student Conferences & Competitions is voting on the 2026 competition line up in June.

PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS





























- University of Kentucky
- University of Evansville
- University of Notre Dame
- Purdue Fort Wayne
- University of Louisville
- Purdue Northwest
- University of Southern Indiana Valparaiso University

- Murray State
- Marian University
- Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
- Western Kentucky University
- Purdue University
- Trine University

SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

Each package includes all benefits listed previously, as well as the additional benefits listed in the description. Ex. If choosing the Secretariat Package, the donor would receive benefits from the Old Kentucky Home, Commonwealth, and Secretariat Packages.

My Old Kentucky Home Package - \$2,000

- Access to Resume Gold book of ALL attending students and hosting ASCE chapters
- Social Media Post and Recognition

- Name and logo on:
- Program Flyer
- Symposium Slideshows
- <u>IN-KY Student</u> <u>Symposium Website</u>



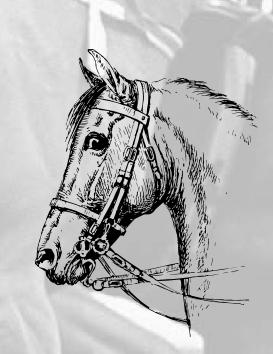


Commonwealth Package - \$4,000

- Featured on Symposium Merchandise
- Allowed One Promotional Item in ASCE Symposium Swag Bag

Secretariat Package - \$6,000

- Name Sponsorship of Minor Events or Local Competitions (First Come First Serve)
- Recognition at the Award Ceremony
- Banquet Tickets 2 tickets per company, for either opening or closing.



Governor's Cup Package - \$8,000

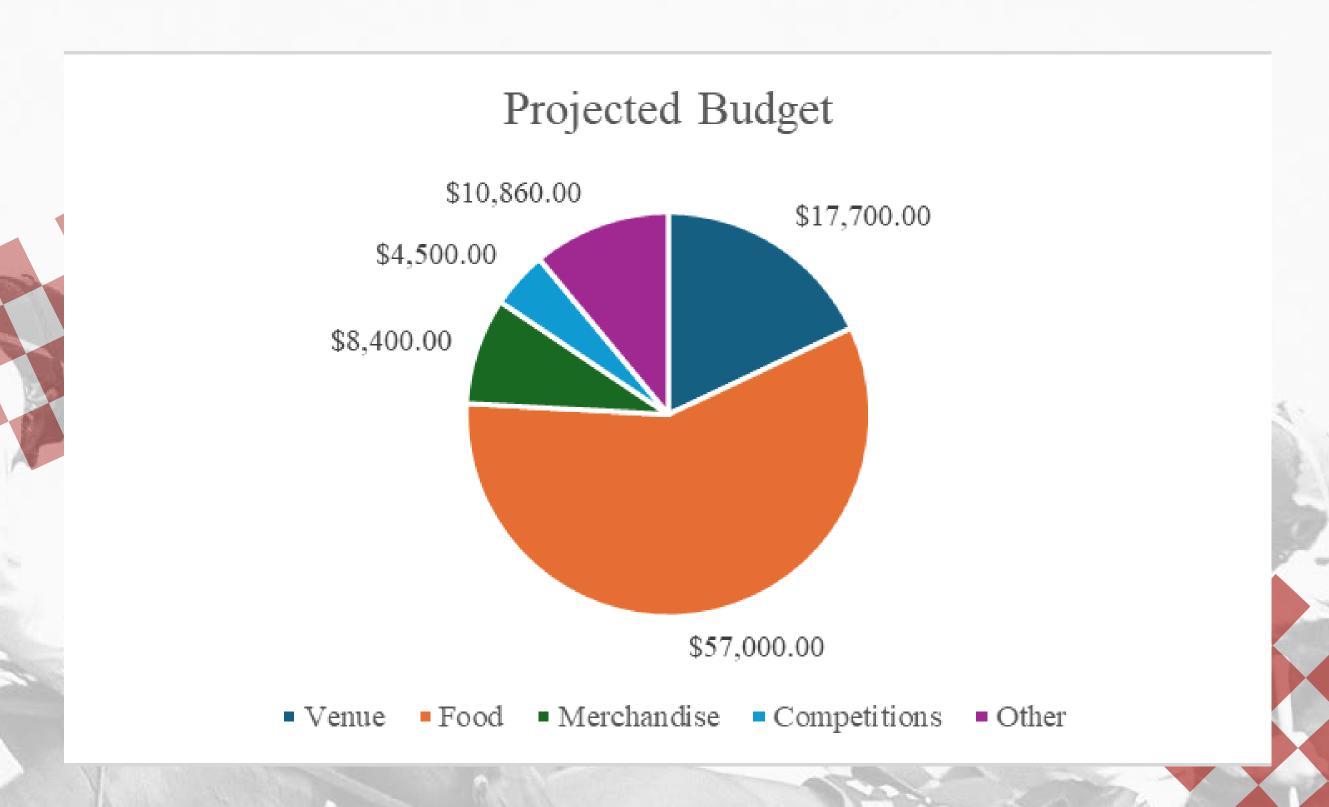
- A Table at a Scheduled Two-Hour Networking Event
- A Table at either Opening or Closing Banquet
- Name Sponsorship of Society-Wide Competition and Event (First Come First Serve)

Winner's Circle Package - \$10,000

- Prominently Featured on Symposium Merchandise
- A Table at Both the Opening and Closing Banquet
- Time to Speak at either Opening or Closing Banquet



PROPOSED BUDGET



Cost Breakdown

As hosts, we have many responsibilities to provide an enjoyable and educational experience. The event expects around 325 students along with additional attendees, including faculty advisors, judges, volunteers, and sponsors. Our current budget is estimated to be approximately \$100,000, covering a multitude of items.

Food: As symposium hosts, we provide meals for all attendees. This includes an opening banquet on Thursday night and a closing banquet on Saturday night, both featuring plated dinners. We will also offer breakfast and lunch on Friday and Saturday, plus hospitality snacks and refreshments throughout the event.

Merchandise: This covers T-shirts, swag bags, and lanyards for all attendees.

Venues Multiple dedicated spaces are required to host various competitions, each with its own specific needs to ensure smooth operations.

Competitions: The symposium features multiple competitions that require equipment, materials, judges' support, and awards.

Miscellaneous: This category includes signage, event branding, and smaller expenses critical to the overall event experience.

*These budget estimates are based on amounts reported by previous hosts at the conclusion of their events and serve as a guide for planning and allocation.

TESTIMONIALS



"Leading the UK's ASCE Timber Strong team at this year's symposium was an incredibly rewarding experience. Getting the opportunity to work alongside such a passionate and driven team grew my understanding of the value of innovative, and collaborative engineering. The competition strengthened my leadership skills and increased my enthusiasm for tackling real-world challenges."

- Isaiah Groce, Sophomore, UK

"...Being a part of the Sustainable Solutions competitions team has built my communication and critical thinking skills as we work to create/showcase something representative of our talents and creativity."

– Hayden Tichenor, Junior, U of L



"Participating in Steel Bridge helped me to better understand the process of project design and how it translates to a physical structure. Specifically, being able to fabricate each part of the bridge helped me improve my understanding."

– Ezra Brooks, Junior, UK

"Through the symposium, I've gained valuable teamwork, problem-solving, and leadership skills while connecting with other engineering students and professionals from across the region."

- Shelby Grimm, Senior, U of L



HOW TO DONATE

Thank you for your interest in sponsoring our symposium!

We truly appreciate your support. There are two main ways to submit your sponsorship payment, which are outlined below:

To pay by check, please follow the instructions below:

1. Mailing Address:

Scott Yost
University of Kentucky - Oliver Raymond Building
508 Administration Drive - Room 161
Lexington, KY 40506 - 0281

- 2. Address checks to the ASCE Kentucky Section
- 3. Write your selected sponsorship package in the memo line

Once payment has been sent, we kindly ask that you email **Chance Thomasy** at chance.thomasy@uky.edu to ensure your sponsorship is recorded and all associated benefits are properly fulfilled.

For any questions or issues regarding payments or sponsorships, also contact **Chance Thomasy** at the same email.

If anyone in your company is interested in <u>volunteering</u> as a judge, speaker, or event support during the symposium, please reach out to our symposium planning chairs at 2026asceinky@gmail.com.

On behalf of the entire Symposium team, thank you for considering sponsorship. Your support helps us create an incredible weekend for Civil Engineering students across our region. We are excited to host this year's regional symposium and appreciate any help you are able to provide!

Thank you again for your time and consideration!



THAIN YOU!





