

2024 High School Leadership Conference Agenda

Check-In, Welcome, and Keynote

8:15 am -9:00 am	Check-In- Schools will check in their students for the day and pick up schedules and materials (DSU First Floor, Grand Stairwell)
9:00 am -9:05 am	Welcome from President Timothy C. Caboni of WKU (DSU Auditorium)
9:05 am -9:30 am	Keynote address from Dr. Patti Minter (DSU Auditorium) “ Leading by Listening: Civic Engagement Across Generations ”

Session I (9:45 am – 10:30 am)

Room Number	Session	Presenter
DSU 3023	The College Experience- Student Panel	WKU Students
DSU 3024	The First Gen Experience	Cierra Waller
DSU 3020	Money Matters	WKU Center for Financial Success
DSU 3003-3004	Healthy Relationships	Jake Costello- WKU Health Education & Promotion
DSU 3006-3007	Forge Your Own Path: Exploring Options After High School	Kevyn Heckler
DSU 3025	Self Defense	Chief Mitchell Walker- WKUPD
Big Red Statue (1 st Floor)	Campus Tour	WKU Spirit Masters

Session II (10:45 am – 11:30 am)

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DSU 3023	The College Experience- Student Panel	WKU Students
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DSU 3006-3007	Overcoming Obstacles in Leadership	Joey Szakacs

LUNCH BREAK

11:30 am - 12:40 pm

FRESH FOOD COMPANY

School Advisors have passes

Session III (12:45 pm – 1:30 pm)

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DSU 3023	The College Experience- Student Panel	WKU Students
DSU 3024	The First Gen Experience	Destiny O'Rourke
DSU 3006-3007	Overcoming Obstacles in Leadership	Joey Szakacs
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Session Descriptions

The College Experience- Student Panel

Have you ever wondered what it is like to be a college student? Hear from WKU students from across campus about what it is like *actually* being a student.

Money Matters

Learn more about how to manage personal finances and more.

Healthy Relationships

Learn more about what healthy relationships look like as leaders, covered by WKU Health Education & Promotion.

Campus Tour

Receive a guided tour of WKU's campus from WKU students.

Overcoming Obstacles in Leadership

We all face obstacles in life, and some of us face more than others. Hear from graduate student, Joey Szakacs, about the challenges he has faced in leadership through his disability and growth, then work through your own challenges in leadership.

Forge Your Own Path: Exploring Options After High School

Looking to consider options for life after high school? In this session, Kevyn Heckler, a Hall Director at WKU, will discuss college and career options and questions to consider for life beyond your four years in high school.

Self-Defense

Learn tips on defending yourself in potentially dangerous situations from WKU Chief of Police, Mitchell Walker.

The First Gen Experience

Are you the first generation in your family who plans to attend college? Visit this session to learn special tips and insights about what it means to be a first-generation college student and how you can capitalize on opportunities.